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The Graduate Certificate in Language Education Program (GCLE) is designed for professionals seeking an ESL Endorsement on their Alaska Teacher Certificate. The program offers coursework and training for in-service professionals who seek to improve their knowledge and skills in meeting the needs of the English learners and Alaska Native students in Alaska’s classrooms. This 18-credit program leads to a Graduate Certificate and Institutional Recommendation toward an ESL endorsement on the candidate’s Alaska Teacher Certificate. The GCLE program is three-consecutive semesters including 18 credit hours with an emphasis on literacy and science, technology, engineering, arts, and mathematics (STEAM) for English learners in the classroom.

UAA does not grant ESL Endorsements. Upon completion of the GCLE program, candidates will receive an Institutional Recommendation and apply to the State to add the ESL Endorsement to their state teaching certificate. The Graduate Certificate in Language Education program is a State of Alaska approved ESL endorsement program.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS:

- Satisfy the [Admission Requirements for Graduate Degrees](#) and the College of Education [GCLE Admission Requirements](#) from the UAA catalogue.
- Complete the GCLE application packet, including two letters of reference and application essay.
- Submit a resume documenting education and at least one year of appropriate professional experience.

HOW TO APPLY:

1) University of Alaska Anchorage	2) To the College of Education:
<p>Apply to UAA Admissions at UAOnline Services: http://www.uaa.alaska.edu/admissions/index.cfm and select Graduate Certificate in Language Education Program</p> <p>Send ALL official transcripts to:</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;"><i>UAA Office of Admissions PO Box 141629 Anchorage AK 99514-1629</i></p>	<p>Complete College of Education, Graduate Certificate in Language Education application:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A resume that clearly documents education and at least one year of appropriate professional experience. Include leadership experiences. • A 300-500 word goal statement addressing your career goals, how the program relates to these goals, and related professional experience (highlight your work with ELLs); • Two professional references; • If you have a current State of Alaska teaching certificate or proof of obtaining a State of Alaska teaching certificate, provide a copy OR copy of comparable professional teaching or educationally related certification from another state. (<i>Teaching certificate is not required for admission to the Graduate Certificate in Language Ed. program</i>).



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Graduate Certificate in Language Education Application for Admission

Incomplete applications will not be processed. Contact COE Graduate Studies at 907-786-4450 or email Brenda Henderson at bshenderson@uaa.alaska.edu to inquire about the status of your COE application.

Name: _____ Student ID #: _____

Address: _____
Street City State Zip

Work Address: _____
Street City State Zip

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Work Phone: _____ Fax: _____

Email address: UAA (if known) _____

UAA will use student's UAA email addresses for all formal communication. When you are assigned a UAA email or if you already have one you may forward it to a personal email.

Email address: Personal _____

Degree Works: Candidates can track their progress towards degree completion, track petitions and advising notes by using [DegreeWorks](#) through UAOnline Services.

Communications via E-mail: The [UA Student Gmail](#) account is the preferred method of contacting candidates. Candidates can set their UA Student Gmail account so that email is forwarded to another account. It is the candidate's responsibility to forward their UA Student Gmail account to another e-mail. Once the student is admitted to the Graduate Certificate in Language Education program, all email correspondence related to the program and courses will be via the student's UA student Gmail address.

Program Delivery: Since the majority of graduate course work includes distance delivery by [Blackboard](#) (<http://www.uaa.alaska.edu/classes/>) and Collaborate webinars, candidates will need regular access to the internet, broadband speed (i.e., cable, satellite, modem), and a headset with microphone. Candidates must have the technological knowledge and skills to engage in distance learning.

My signature indicates that I read the above information and I understand I must provide the required documents to be considered for admission into the Graduate Certificate in Language Education program. I also understand that I am responsible to apply to UAA Graduation by UAA's published dates.

Signature of Candidate _____

Date _____

COE Application Due Date: January 7, 2018

Graduate Certificate in Language Education Program

REQUIRED COURSES (2017-2018 Catalog Year)

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Semester	Courses
Spring	*EDFN A621 Culture, Language, and Literacy *EDFN A645 Culturally Sustaining Literacy for P-6 English Language Learners
Summer	*EDSY A668 Teaching English as a Second Language *EDFN A691 Current Topics in Second Language Education: Advocacy, Policy, Law
Fall	*EDFN A646 Culturally Sustaining Instruction in Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts and Mathematics (STEAM) for English Language Learners *EDFN A689 Action Research Experience: Culturally Sustaining Pedagogy for English Language Learners in P-6 Classrooms

**This schedule represents the anticipated course rotation; however, the schedule may change based on course enrollment or other factors.*

Graduate Certificate in Language Education Contacts

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