World Language Education Major

This major encompasses the coursework requirements for Illinois teacher licensure in K-12 foreign language. Completing this major will result in a double major in World Language Education (WLE) and French or Spanish. Students should request academic advisors in both the Education and World Language, Culture, and Literatures departments and work with their advisors to carefully plan their course sequence. The Teaching English Learning Minor is highly recommended for WLE majors.

Students must apply and be formally admitted to the Teacher Education Program to enter upper-level coursework. All courses must be completed with a grade of C- (1.7) or higher. Students must maintain major and cumulative GPAs of 2.750 or higher to remain in the program and fulfill licensure requirements. Students also must pass the State mandated oral proficiency test in French (#091) or Spanish (#056) as well as the French (#252) or Spanish (#260) content tests prior to student teaching.

Prerequisite Coursework for Admission to World Language Education (WLE)

At least half of the WLE major courses, excluding SEC 100, 300, 450, and 457, must be completed at Elmhurst University. Students also must complete three full terms at Elmhurst prior to student teaching.

The following courses are required:

- EDU 104 Cultural Foundation of Education in the United States
- EDU/SEC 223 Education of PK-12 Learners with Exceptionalities
- EDU/SEC 311 Educational Psychology
- SEC 100 (.25) Introductory Seminar to Teaching as a Caring Profession (.25)
- SEC 300 Intermediate Seminar for Teaching in Diverse and Inclusive Schools (.25)
- SEC 310 Methods and Best Practices in Middle and Secondary Education
- SEC 421 Theory and Practice for Building Academic Literacies in K-12
- SEC 450 Advanced Seminar in Teacher Collaboration and Professional Practice
- SEC 457 Student Teaching in Secondary and Middle Schools (3.00); requires formal admission to student teaching
- TEL 317 (.75) Methods and Materials for Teaching English Language Learners
- TEL 319 (.75) Linguistics in Second Language Learning
- WL 440 Special Methods in the Teaching of World Languages

Concentration Requirement for World Language Education

Teacher Candidates pursuing the WLE major and licensure must complete the Spanish or French concentration. The concentration must be 30 semester hours or more in specific Spanish or French coursework as outlined below. All concentration courses must be completed with grades of C- (1.7) or higher while maintaining a Spanish or French GPA of 3.0 or higher.
Spanish Concentration for World Language Education

- SPN 301 Spanish Grammar & Composition or SPN 307 Spanish for Heritage Speakers I
- SPN 302 Spanish Conversation & Grammar or SPN 308 Spanish for Heritage Speakers II
- SPN 312 Spanish Culture
- SPN 334 Spanish American Culture
- WL 451 Senior Research Capstone [.50 course]

One of the following: (see also SPN 452)
- SPN 310 Introduction to Hispanic Literature
- SPN 313 Survey of Spanish Literature I
- SPN 314 Survey of Spanish Literature II

One of the following: (see also SPN 452)
- SPN 335 Survey of Spanish-American Literature I
- SPN 336 Survey of Spanish-American Literature II
- SPN 340 Indigenous Literature of South and Central America

Select remaining courses from the following electives:

A travel course is highly recommended
- SPN 304 Teaching Hispanic Children’s Literature in Elementary & Middle Schools
- SPN 315/415 Cultural and Linguistic Immersion course
- SPN 321 Introduction to Spanish Sociolinguistics
- SPN 392 Walking the Camino de Santiago
- WL 310 World Cinema (Spanish)

SPN 452 Directed Reading may be substituted for one literature course requirement, not both, or used as an elective.

French Concentration for World Language Education

- FRN 301 French Conversation & Composition
- SPN 302 Advanced French Conversation & Composition
- WL 451 Senior Research Capstone [.50 course]
- FRN 335 French/ Francophone Literature in Context I/Pre 1800
- FRN 336 French/ Francophone Literature in Context I/Post 1800

Two of the following
- FRN 309 World Cinema
- FRN 313 Heritage of France 1
- FRN 314 Cultural Heritage of France 2

Select remaining courses from the following electives:

A travel course is highly recommended
- BID January in Morocco
- FRN 305 Business French
- FRN 315 January in Paris
- WL 310 January in Martinique

FRN 452 Directed Reading may be substituted for FRN 335 or FRN 336 or used as an elective.