Exceptions to the Rules Effective February 1, 2012

Requirements for Bilingual Endorsement

Persons seeking this endorsement must have a total of 18 semester hours of coursework required below and meet the other requirements:

- A minimum of100 clock hours or three months of teaching experience in bilingual programs.
- Successful completion of a language examination in the non-English language to be taught.
- Credits totaling 18 semester hours distributed among the following course areas:
    a. Foundations of Bilingual Education
    b. Assessment of Bilingual Students
    c. Methods and Materials for Teaching Limited-English-Proficient Students in Bilingual Programs
    d. Cross-Cultural Studies for Teaching Limited-English-Proficient Students
    e. Methods and Materials for Teaching English as a Second Language

Requirements for English as a Second Language Endorsement

Persons seeking this endorsement must have a total of 18 semester hours of coursework required below and meet the other requirements:

- A minimum of 100 clock hours or three months of teaching experience with ESL students.
- Credits totaling 18 semester hours distributed among the following course areas.
    a. Linguistics
    b. Theoretical Foundations of Teaching ESL
    c. Assessment of the Bilingual Student
    d. Methods and Materials for Teaching ESL
    e. Cross-Cultural Studies for Teaching Limited-English-Proficient Students

Requirements for Family and Consumer Science Endorsement

Requirements for this endorsement include 24 semester hours, including 9 semester hours in one of the following designations, and the Consumer Sciences (172) test.

Designations for Family and Consumer Science include:

a. Apparel and Textiles
b. Living Environments
c. Nutrition, Wellness, and Hospitality

Requirements for Middle School Mathematics Endorsement

Requirements for this endorsement include a three-semester hour course in methods of teaching mathematics in the middle grades and 15 semester hours selected from four of the topics below:

a. Math content courses for elementary teachers
b. Calculus
c. Modern algebra or number theory
d. Geometry
e. Computer science
f. Probability and statistics
g. History of mathematics

Requirements for Middle School Reading Teacher Endorsement

The Reading Teacher endorsement is the minimum requirement for anyone assigned to teach reading who is not teaching reading as part of general classroom instruction. Teachers who have the endorsement by June 30, 2006, or meet the endorsement requirements in place through June 30, 2006, are also qualified to provide technical assistance to other teachers and to provide professional development to teachers.

Applicants must complete one of the following:

1. Complete an approved reading teacher program which includes at least 24 semester hours of coursework and a practicum, complete the Reading Teacher or Reading Specialist test, and be recommended for the endorsement by the institution.
2. **Complete 24 semester hours** of credit in reading, have coursework in each of the following areas, and pass the Reading Teacher or Reading Specialist test.

   a. Foundations of reading.
   b. Content-area reading.
   c. Assessment and diagnosis of reading problems.
   d. Developmental and remedial reading instruction and support.
   e. Developmental and remedial materials and resources.
   f. Literature appropriate to students in all grade levels.
   g. Practicum in reading.

Applicants who apply for the reading teacher endorsement by using option 2 should submitISBE Form 73-52 through their Regional Office of Education or apply online through ELIS .

Requirements for Middle School Safety and Driver Education

Beginning with applications received on or after February 1, 2012, ***an endorsement*** in safety and driver education shall be issued when the applicant provides evidence of having completed 24 semester hours of college credit in the field, with at least 12 semester hours at the upper-division or graduate level, as defined by the institution offering the coursework, distributed as follows:

1) 3 semester hours in injury prevention or safety

2) 12 semester hours in driver education that include:

a. driving task analysis (introduction to driver education)
b. teaching driver education in the classroom
c. teaching the laboratory portion of the driver education course, including:

i) on-street teaching under the supervision of a qualified driver education teacher
ii) the equivalent of at least one semester hour's preparation in and use of driving simulation
iii) the equivalent of at least one semester hour's preparation in and use of multiple-car programs

d. advanced driver education and emergency evasive driving

3) 3 semester hours in first aid and cardiopulmonary resuscitation

4) 6 semester hours chosen in any combination from:

a. the use of technology in instruction
b. safety issues related to alcohol and other drugs
c. driver education for students with disabilities
d. any other safety-related area

Additional Requirements for Science

Applicants receiving a 2nd designation in the senior high school sciences or social sciences must **either** complete 12 semester hours of coursework in the designation and pass the test required for the designation **or** complete a major in the content area of the designation. No upper division coursework is required.

Additional Requirements for Social Science

Applicants receiving a 2nd designation in the senior high school sciences or social sciences must **either** complete 12 semester hours of coursework in the designation and pass the test required for the designation **or** complete a major in the content area of the designation. No upper division coursework is required.