ESL Endorsement Program at UCA

The following 4 courses constitute UCA’s ESL Endorsement Program. Don’t miss out on adding this important component to your Arkansas teaching license!

EDUC 3309 (each semester) or MSAT 6310/ASTL 5340

FALL: WLAN 4325/5325 4:05 – 5:20 (TTh)
FALL: WLAN 4315/5315 5:00 – 8:00 (M)
SPRING: WLAN 4330/5330 4:05 – 5:20 (TTh)

EDUC 3309 CULTURAL PERSPECTIVES: FAMILY, SCHOOL, AND COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS
This course examines the theory, research, and practice of school, family, and community partnerships. It is designed to equip future educators with the knowledge and skills needed to form meaningful relationships with students' families, schools, and community members. Course goals will be accomplished through the use of lecture, discussion, and field experiences. Taken as part of Block I. This course is part of the ESL endorsement. Fall, spring, summer. (Graduate level: MSAT 6310: Pedagogy of Diverse Student Populations or ASTL 5340: Cultural Diversity: Applications for Classroom and Workplaces. Summer only)

WLAN 4325/5325 SECOND LANGUAGE ACQUISITION. Study of the most common theories and research on second language acquisition (SLA), similarities and differences of first and second language acquisition, and the relevance of SLA to classroom teaching of second languages. Course goals will be accomplished through the use of lecture, discussion, written assignments, and field experiences. May not be presented as part of the foreign language major or minor requirements. This course is part of the ESL endorsement and foreign language teaching licensure program at UCA. Prerequisites: Admission to teacher education program or consent of department chair. Fall only

WLAN 4330/5330 SECOND LANGUAGE ASSESSMENT. A study of second language assessment techniques and procedures. Construction and critique of instruments for assessing proficiencies in listening, speaking, reading, and writing. Course goals will be accomplished through the use of lecture, discussion, written assignments, and field experiences. May not be presented as part of the foreign language major or minor requirements. This course is part of the ESL endorsement and foreign language teaching licensure program at UCA. Prerequisites: Admission to teacher education program or consent of department chair. Spring only

WLAN 4315/5315 METHODS OF TEACHING SECOND LANGUAGES. Modern methods of instruction in foreign language, English as a second language, and culture. Materials, planning, and classroom techniques are emphasized. Course goals will be accomplished through the use of lecture, discussion, written assignments, and field experiences. May not be presented as part of the foreign language major or minor requirements. This course is part of the ESL endorsement and foreign language teaching licensure program at UCA. Prerequisites: For students pursuing ESL endorsement, admission to teacher education program or consent of chair. For students pursuing licensure in a foreign language: admission to the teacher licensure program and two 3000 level language courses or a passing score on the Praxis II exam and consent of chair. Fall only

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