NIU General Education Requirements

Foundation Studies (12)
Required grade of “C” or better
ENGL 103
ENGL 203A, 203B, 203C, or 203D
or ENGL 204 [if placed into ENGL 204]
COMS 100
MATH 101, 155, 206, 210, 211, or 229
or MATH 110+STAT 208

Knowledge Domain Studies (21)
There is a required minimum of 21 semester hours in the three General Education Knowledge Domains that cannot include more than two courses in any one department. A minimum of 6 semester hours in each domain area and one additional 3 hour course from any knowledge domain area.

Creativity & Critical Analysis (6)
ANTH 102, 210
ARTH 282, 292, 294, 340, 350
COMS 220, 230, 356
ENGL 110, 115, 116, 310, 315, 350
EPFE 321, 400, 410 [Major requirement]
FLCL 271, FLFR 371, FLIT 272, FLRU 261
HIST 110, 111, 112, 140, 141, 171, 260, 261
IDSP 225, ILAS 100
MUHL 220
PHIL 101, 105, 231
POLS 150, 251
TH-D 222, THEA 203
WGST 202

Nature & Technology (6)
BIOS 103 (3) [Recommended]
FCNS 201 (3) [Health minor elective, PRQ: BIOS 103]

Society & Culture (6)
PSYC 102 (3) [Major requirement]
Recommended courses:
EPFE 201 (3)
PHHE 206 (3) [Health minor requirement]

Professional Education and Content-Area (39)
Required grade of “C” or better
KNDN 351 Multicultural Dance (3)

Physical Education Requirements (81-83)
Pre-Professional Requirements (7)
KNPE 225 Fund Sport Skills I (2)
KNPE 226 Fund Sport Skills II (2)
KNPE 452 Exercise Physiology (4)

Scientific Basis (11-13)
BIOS 311 Functional Human Anatomy (4)
or BIOS 357 Human Anatomy & Physiology (5)
[PRQ: BIOS 103 + 105, CHEM 110]
KNPE 313 Kinesiology (3) or 314: App Kinesiology (4)
[PRQ: BIOS 311 or 357 & MATH core “C” or better]

Pre-requisites/requirements:
1) Minimum NIU GPA 2.75
2) Successful completion ILTS: Test of Academic Proficiency (TAP)
   Registration and information: http://www.il.nesinc.com
   or ACT plus writing: 22 min composite + 19 min EW subtest:
   http://www.actstudent.org/
   See Sue for ISBE approval for ACT in lieu of TAP
3) Create Educator Account through ELIS: www.isbe.state.il.us/
4) Negative TB test (tuberculosis). NIU Health Services:
   NIU student with NIU Health Insurance – free
   NIU student without NIU Health Insurance - $10.00 fee
5) Criminal Background Check: To be completed in school districts

NIU Health Services: 501-2222

Catalog Course Numbers:
KNDN 351 Multicultural Dance (3)
KNPE 225 Fund Sport Skills I (2)
KNPE 226 Fund Sport Skills II (2)
KNPE 452 Exercise Physiology (4)

NIU Health Services: 501-2222
### Teacher Licensure/Educational Requirement (24)

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Fulfills KNPE Major & Gen Ed Requirement

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(Permission Required)

**Required courses (6)**

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**KNPE: K-12 Middle School Endorsement (3-6)**

The following classes are required to add middle school endorsement to K-12 license.

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KNPE 340 + KNPE 421 + KNPE 466 (1.5) & EPS 405 (1.5)

**Student Teaching Requirements:**
Refer to handbook from student teaching meeting. Submit requirements to AN main office for permission numbers.

### Teaching License Application Process:

1. Successfully complete NIU’s graduation requirements
2. Successfully complete ICTS: Assessment Professional Teaching

   Registration and information: [http://www.il.nesinc.com](http://www.il.nesinc.com)

3. After NIU recommends you for licensure, you must log into your ELIS educator account and accept entitlement.
4. IMPORTANT: If you apply for licensure before NIU recommends you, you will be evaluated by ISBE which will be 3-6 months longer and require additional money.

### ISBE: Illinois State Board of Education

**Endorsement Requirements:** [http://www.isbe.net/certification/html/endorsement.htm](http://www.isbe.net/certification/html/endorsement.htm)

All grades for the endorsement coursework must be “C” or higher. Grades of “C” or below are not acceptable.

**Middle School:**
- Content requirement listed on ISBE website: [http://www.isbe.net/certification/html/endorsement.htm](http://www.isbe.net/certification/html/endorsement.htm)
  - TLCI 422 (3)

**Senior High School:**
- Content requirement listed on ISBE website: [http://www.isbe.net/certification/html/endorsement.htm](http://www.isbe.net/certification/html/endorsement.htm)
  - ILTS Endorsement Subject Content Area Test, [www.il.nesinc.com](http://www.il.nesinc.com)

**ILTS: Illinois Licensure Test System**

- [TAP Tutoring](http://www.teachercertification.niu.edu/teachercertification/)
- [PE Content Tutoring](http://www.ictsphysed.com/)
  - Physical Education 144 Study Book – Check out from Sue Schwartz, AN 214
- [APT 188 Tutoring](http://www.il.nesinc.com/PDFs/IL_field188_SG.pdf)
  - ILTS-Study Guide
- [EdTPA](http://www.pearsonassessments.com/teacherlicensure/edtpa)