Northern Illinois University Department of Literacy and Elementary Education is offering an evening program designed for working adults interested in obtaining a Master of Arts in Teaching degree leading to an initial license in elementary education to teach grades 1-5. This program is ideal for working adults who currently hold a bachelor’s degree in any field and desire to earn the elementary license to teach in Illinois Public Schools.

Students will have the opportunity to earn the ESL and/or Bilingual Endorsement while enrolled in the M.A.T. program if they attend two additional semesters. Scholarships and financial aid are available for students.

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**Semester One**
- EPFE 521—Historical Foundations of Education in the U.S.
- EPS 550X—Classroom Management (2)
- LTLA 544—Exploring Children’s Literature (1)

**Semester Two**
- EPS 504—Psychology of Education: Elementary and Middle School Years
- LTIC 501—Multicultural Education: Methods and Materials

**Semester Three**
- LTRE 500—Improvement of Reading in the Elementary School
- SESE 556—Inclusion and Collaboration in the General Education Classroom

**Semester Four**
- ETRE 502—Technology and Assessment for Elementary Education (4)
- LTLA 530—Contemporary Language Arts

**Semester Five**
- TLEE 502X—Methods of Instruction in the Mathematics Curriculum for Elementary School
- TLEE 532—Teaching Science in Elementary School
- KNPE 574—Physical Education for Elementary School Teachers (1)

**Semester Six**
- TLEE 530—Teaching Social Studies in Elementary School
- TLEE 587—Practicum in Elementary School (1)
- LTRE 511—Teaching Reading in the Content Area

**Semester Seven**
- TLEE 561—Seminar in Elementary School Internship (1)
- TLEE 586—Internship (5)

To earn the ESL and/or Bilingual Endorsement, student would take five additional classes.

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