

# German Education Major (EC-A or MC-EA Certification) - Bachelor of Science (BS)

## Major requirements

Admission requirements to EC-A and MC-EA teacher certification programs (<http://catalog.uwlax.edu/undergraduate/education/#DES>)

(Teacher certification programs: early childhood-adolescence certification and middle childhood-early adolescence certification)

45 credits minimum for EC-A certification; 33 credits minimum for MC-EA certification.

Students majoring in German education complete the German education core requirements and one of two certification tracks (see below). All German education majors must also complete study abroad, proficiency, and student teaching requirements.

## Core requirements:

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Bridge course:</b>		
GER 300	Advanced German	3
<b>300 level courses:</b>		
Language:		
Select six credits of the following:		6
GER 311	German Conversation and Composition	
GER 313	German Grammar and Composition	
GER 330	German Conversation and Phonetics	
Culture/civilization:		
GER 320 or GER 321	German Civilization: 1870-Reunification German Civilization: 1989-Present	3
Literature:		
GER 301	An Introduction to German Literature	3
Total Credits		15

## Choose one of the two certification tracks below:

### Early Childhood-Adolescence Certification track (30 credits)

Code	Title	Credits
<b>400 level coursework:</b>		
Language:		
Study abroad approved credits		3
Culture/civilization:		
Study abroad approved credits		3
Literature:		
Select three credits from:		3
GER 403	Studies of German Literature	
GER 406	Contemporary German Literature	
Study abroad approved credits		

### Electives:

Select nine credits of electives: 9

German electives at the 300/400 level (excluding GER 398 and GER 399; a maximum of 6 units from GER 326, GER 327, GER 328, GER 329)

Study abroad approved credits

### Language education:

GCL 306	Introduction to Second Language Acquisition	3
GCL 406	Language Assessment and Testing	3

### Methods:

MLG 473	Teaching World Languages: From Early Childhood to Early Adolescence	3
MLG 474	Teaching World Languages: From Early Adolescence to Adolescence	3

Total Credits 30

### Middle Childhood-Early Adolescence Certification track (18 credits)

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Civilization:</b>		
GER 320 or GER 321	German Civilization: 1870-Reunification German Civilization: 1989-Present	3
GER 326	Current Events	1
or approved study abroad credit		
<b>German electives:</b>		
Any German course at 300 or 400 level (excluding GER 398 and GER 399; a maximum of 6 units from GER 326, GER 327, GER 328, GER 329)		8
Language education:		
GCL 306	Introduction to Second Language Acquisition	3
Methods:		
MLG 473	Teaching World Languages: From Early Childhood to Early Adolescence	3
Total Credits		18

### Study abroad requirement:

1. All students should consult with their advisor in German regarding specific requirements for study abroad.
2. All German education majors are required to complete an approved foreign language immersion experience of at least 14 weeks (one semester); **MC-EA students** should consult with a German advisor when planning this experience;
3. German education majors are required to complete the 300 level bridge course before studying abroad;
4. Up to 15 credits of the 400 level and the electives categories may be taken abroad with faculty approval;
5. German education majors must take INS 251 during their study abroad program;

### Proficiency requirements:

Prior to student teaching, teacher candidates are required to

1. Demonstrate proficiency with an "Intermediate High" rating on the American Council Teaching of Foreign Languages Oral Proficiency test (ACTFL-OPIc) and
2. Demonstrate proficiency with an "Intermediate High" rating on the American Council Teaching of Foreign Languages Written Proficiency test in German (ACTFL-WPT internet).

### **Student teaching and other teacher education requirements:**

Other teacher education and pedagogy courses, including appropriate field experiences and student teaching at the appropriate levels, are required and listed with the School of Education (<http://catalog.uwlax.edu/undergraduate/education>).

## **Degree requirements**

All teacher education students must complete the general education, School of Education, major/minor, and university degree requirements in order to qualify for a degree. The easiest way to track all of these requirements is to refer to the Advisement Report (AR) found in the Student Information System (WINGS) Student Center. All enrolled students have access to the AR.

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## **Baccalaureate degree requirements**

Candidates for the Bachelor of Arts or the Bachelor of Science degrees must accomplish the following:

1. Fulfill the general education requirements.
2. Complete at least one ethnic studies (diversity) course.
3. Complete the courses prescribed by the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee for the degree desired in the respective school or college. (No substitutions for graduation may be made in course requirements for a major or minor after the fourth week of the last semester of the senior year.)
4. Earn a minimum of 120 semester credits with at least a 2.00 cumulative GPA.<sup>1</sup> At least 40 credits must be earned in 300/400 (senior college) level courses. Courses earned at the 100/200 level that transferred to UWL as 300/400 level courses do not apply to this requirement nor do courses from two-year schools.
5. Complete major and minor requirements with at least a 2.00 GPA<sup>1</sup> in each major and minor (and concentration or emphasis, if selected).
6. A minimum of 30 semester credits in residence at UWL is required for graduation. (See undergraduate resident requirement (<http://catalog.uwlax.edu/undergraduate/academicpolicies/graduation/#undergraduate-residence-requirement>)).
7. Submit an application for graduation via the "Apply for Graduation" link in the WINGS Student Center as soon as the student has registered for his or her final semester or summer term in residence. December and winter intersession graduates should apply by May 1. May and summer graduates should apply by December 1.

<sup>1</sup> Grade point average requirements for some programs will be considerably higher than 2.00. Re-entering students may be required to earn credits in excess of the 120 needed for graduation in any curriculum in order to replace credits earned in courses in which the content has changed substantially in recent years. Each case will be judged on its own merit.

**No degree will be awarded unless all requirements are fulfilled and recorded within 30 days after the official ending date of each term.**