

UNDERGRADUATE EDUCATION POLICY COMMITTEE

***Resolution to Recommend Approval of the RME to Add
the Specialization Teaching English as a New Language to the
Bachelor of Arts Degree in Linguistics
[as amended]***

WHEREAS there is continued growth in the number of students in the U.S. whose home language is not English; and

WHEREAS there is increased demand for teachers who are trained in effective methods to teach English Language Learners so as to better ensure their success in school and in the job market; and

WHEREAS students and teachers already in service have been taking classes in Linguistics, leading to a state endorsement in bilingual or English as a Second Language education; and

WHEREAS the proposed change will create a regular track within the Linguistics Major that will lead to Illinois State Certification in Teaching English as a New Language;

THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Faculty Senate recommend the RME to add the Specialization Teaching English as a New Language to the Bachelor of Arts degree in Linguistics.

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