

## Who can apply?

- ✓ Both matriculated & non-matriculated students
- ✓ To be eligible for NJ K-12 certification, must be matriculated in another teacher preparation program at Rowan
- ✓ Must have a 3.0 GPA & must demonstrate advanced proficiency in English writing & speaking.



## How to apply

See your Advisor, the Program Coordinator, or Department Chair PRIOR to registration in any CUGS courses. They will send an email with the your name, Banner ID, major, and name of selected CUGS to ensure you have the proper program code to be able to register.

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# Teaching English as a Second Language (ESL) *New Jersey* Teacher Certification in *ESL K-12*

**Certificate of Undergraduate  
Study (CUGS)**

## **NEW** Teaching English as a Second Language Certificate of Undergraduate Study (CUGS)

### Program Description

Gain the expertise and teaching certification to become an English as a Second Language (ESL) teachers at the elementary, middle, and high school levels. This program is also a great option for students who plan to teach English abroad.

In order to apply for NJ certification, students must pursue a certification in another area, such as Elementary Education, Early Childhood Education, Subject Matter Education, Health and Physical Education, Art or Music Education.

**ESL is currently one of the *critical shortage teaching areas in NJ* and in most areas of the US, so there are currently *numerous job opportunities* available to candidates with this certification**

**Become an effective, linguistically responsive educator.** Currently, about 23% of students in the state of NJ speak a language other than English at home and over 80% of NJ school districts have English learners, making NJ one of the most linguistically diverse states in the U.S.

## Program Curriculum & Requirements

BLED 40.410	<b>Current Policy and Practice in ESL and Bilingual Education</b>	3 credits
BLED 40.412	<b>Linguistic and Second Language Acquisition for Language Teachers</b>	3 credits
BLED 40.415	<b>Understanding Immigrant, Bilingual, and English Learner Students</b>	3 credits
BLED 40.420	<b>Planning, Teaching, and Assessment in ESL Classrooms</b>	3 credits
BLED 40.422	<b>Integrating Language, Literacy and Content in ESL &amp; Bilingual Classrooms</b>	3 credits
<b>Total CUGS Credit Hours</b>		15
<i>Recommended Elective: ENGL 02301 American English Grammar</i>		

**Required tests:** If you are seeking the ESL teacher certification, appropriate language proficiency testing is required in English. Testing requirements vary. For testing requirements for this license, please see the following website:

<https://nj.gov/education/license/endorsements/1475CE.pdf>