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Teaching English Language Learners (TELL)

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<td>STAT698</td>
<td>Master's Thesis.</td>
<td>Permission of graduate program coordinator.</td>
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<td>Independent study under faculty advisement. Students must follow the MSU Thesis Guidelines, which may be obtained from the Graduate School. Students should take STAT 699 if they do not complete STAT 698 within the semester.</td>
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<td>STAT699</td>
<td>Master's Thesis Extension.</td>
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<td>Continuation of Master's Thesis project. Thesis extension will be graded IP (In Progress) until thesis is completed, at which time a grade of Pass or Fail will be given. Course may be repeated.</td>
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<td>TELL370</td>
<td>Sociocultural Foundations for Working with English Language Learners in Early Childhood and Elementary Settings.</td>
<td>ECEL 200.</td>
<td>3 hours lecture.</td>
<td>This course examines the schooling of English learners from a sociocultural and historical perspective. Students learn about the nature of the immigration experience, the cultural psychology of bilingual-bicultural development during early and middle childhood, additive approaches to language and culture in school settings, and building successful home-school partnerships with culturally and linguistically diverse families.</td>
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<td>TELL371</td>
<td>Language Development and Bilingualism in Early Childhood and Elementary Education.</td>
<td>LNGN 220.</td>
<td>3 hours lecture.</td>
<td>In this course, students examine first and second language acquisition during the preschool and elementary years, the theory and practice of supporting English language development across the curriculum, strategies to maintain the home language in English immersion settings, and language proficiency and dialectal variation in the classroom. Students also learn about the nature of language and linguistic subsystems (phonology, morphology, vocabulary, grammar, pragmatics).</td>
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<td>TELL472</td>
<td>Literacy and the Bilingual Learner in Early Childhood and Elementary</td>
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TELL472  Title  Education.
Prerequisites  READ 399.
Corequisites  ECEL 410.
Number and type of credits  3 hours lecture.
Course Description  Students examine the reading, writing and academic language development of bilingual students during the preschool and elementary years. They examine the social and policy context of ELL literacy achievement, the theory and practice of teaching reading and writing in a second language, ways to create culturally responsive and engaging literacy environments, and appropriate strategies for assessing bilingual literacy. This course should be taken concurrently with Clinical I placement in a setting that includes ELL students.

TELL473  Title  Second Language Content Area Learning in Early Childhood and Elementary Classrooms.
Prerequisites  TELL 371.
Number and type of credits  3 hours lecture.
Course Description  Students examine principles and features of effective instruction to support young English learners’ mastery of core grade-level content across the curriculum. They learn to identify the language demands of everyday tasks in math, science, social studies and language arts, and to modify instruction to appropriately scaffold learning for ELL students at differing levels of English proficiency while building academic language.

TELL474  Title  Practicum in Teaching English Language Learners in Early Childhood and Elementary Classrooms.
Prerequisites  TELL 472.
Number and type of credits  3 hours lecture.
Course Description  Students observe and support learning and instruction in a general education preschool or elementary classroom setting that includes English language learners (ELLs). They examine the practical applications of theory and best practice in teaching ELLs and engage in strategies to enhance student learning outcomes. Practicum students meet once per month with a university instructor on the MSU campus to critically analyze their practicum experiences. This course may be combined with a Clinical I (ECEL 410) placement in a setting that includes ELL students. A total of 22 field hours is required.