IDIS 301 must be taken during the same fall semester as EDUC 302 and 303.

Secondary candidates should consider the English major in addition to the ESL minor.

The ESL minor may be combined with the language arts minor, but ENGL 370, 372, and 375 may not overlap. In addition to ENGL 370, 372, and 375, the candidate must complete SPAUD 215 or 311 and ENGL 374. When combined with the ESL minor, the language arts minor requires 5 courses (3 cr. each) beyond those already required for elementary education and the ESL minor. The language arts major requires 6 courses (3 cr. each) beyond those already required for elementary education and the ESL minor.

The ESL minor may be combined with the Spanish minor, but SPAN 340 may not overlap. In addition to SPAN 340, the candidate must complete ENGL 370. IDIS 356 or 357 may overlap. Two courses may overlap between the language arts major and ESL minor.

Adult learners and teachers in the ESL endorsement program must demonstrate competency in at least one world language. Competency is defined as the successful completion of the equivalent of two years of study in college or four years in high school with a minimum grade of C in each course.

Students who would like to be certified to teach both ESL and bilingual Spanish may complete both programs at Calvin along with the Spanish major. Because of the number of overlapping courses, only one of the minors may appear on the Calvin degree. The other minor will be added as an additional endorsement to the teaching certificate after graduation. Students interested in this option should meet with the Teacher Certification Coordinator to set up a plan. Students must complete field experiences in both ESL and bilingual Spanish settings. The field experiences will be arranged during EDUC 303 and IDIS 301 or completed as an independent study for two semester hours.