# CLASS AA PROGRAM CHECKLIST FOR TEACHING FIELD

**Institution:** UNIVERSITY OF ALABAMA AT BIRMINGHAM  
**Total Hours:** 30-36

## Teaching Fields:

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(At least 1/3 of the program shall be in teaching field courses)

### TRACK ONE (candidates w/Class A in non-ESOL teaching field):

- **EESL 610 Second Language Acquisition (if not already taken)**: 0-3
- **EESL 612 Curriculum, Programs, and Policies**: 3
- **EESL 615 Grammar and Linguistics for ESL Teachers**: 3
- **EESL 625 Phonology for Second Language Teachers**: 3
- **EESL 660 Effective Teaching and Learning**: 3
- **EESL 640 Teaching New Languages through Reading and Writing**: 3
- **EESL 642 Teaching New Languages through Reading and Writing** *(EESL 642 if EESL 640 was used towards an earlier degree)*: 3
- **EESL 640 Teaching New Languages through Reading and Writing** *(EESL 640 if EESL 640 was used towards an earlier degree)*: 3
- **EESL 660 Effective Teaching and Learning**: 3
- **EESL 662 Teaching New Languages through Reading and Writing**: 3
- **EESL 667 Instruction and Assessment: Reading and Writing**: 3
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- Advisor-approved ESL electives from among the following courses:  
  - **EESL 617 Teaching English in a Global Context** (3 hours)
  - **EESL 627 Teaching Adult Language Learners** (3 hours)
  - **EESL 637 Methods Teaching English as International Language** (3 hrs.)
  - **EESL 677 Teaching English for Specific Purposes** (3 hours)
  - Advisor-approved courses in ESL or related to ESL (3 - 6 hours)
  - National Board Certification in English as New Language by enrolling in EESL 681 National Boards and EESL 677 Field Studies (6 hrs.)

### Track Two (candidates with Class A in ESL):

- **EESL 640 Teaching New Languages through Reading and Writing**: 12 hrs.
- **EESL 642 Teaching New Languages through Reading and Writing**: 3
- **EESL 647 Instruction and Assessment: Reading and Writing**: 3
- **EESL 657 Instruction and Assessment: Reading and Writing**: 3

Advisor-approved ESL electives from among the following courses:  
- **EESL 617 Teaching English in a Global Context** (3 hours)
- **EESL 627 Teaching Adult Language Learners** (3 hours)
- **EESL 637 Methods Teaching English as International Language** (3 hrs.)
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### Survey of Special Education Course

- **ECY 600 Introduction to Exceptional Learners**: 0-3

*If ECY 600 is needed, this course can serve as the elective. If course was taken for prior level certification, another approved diversity course is required. *EESL 613 or EDC 732 fulfill the diversity course requirement.

### Diversity

- **EESL 613 Teaching ESL in a Multicultural Society**: 3
- **ODC 732 Culturally Linguistically Responsive Instruction**: 3

### Additional Courses:

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### Elective:

- **EPR 594 Introduction to Educational Research** (3 hours)
- **EPR 596 Intro to Qualitative Methods in Educ. Research**: 3

### ALSDE Requirements for Class AA Certification in English for Speakers of Other Languages (P-12)

Once the candidate has completed checklist requirements and met all admission, exit, and certification requirements (including any testing required of Track One candidates as indicated in the ALSDE Code), the candidate will be eligible for Class AA certification in teaching English for Speakers of Other Languages (P-12).

**Other certification requirements include:**

- Candidates must successfully complete all courses on the Class AA program checklist for the respective track, meet the criteria of UAB's Graduate School for completing the corresponding degree program, and earn a minimum GPA of 3.50 for all courses on this Class AA checklist, as verified on the candidate's official transcript.
- None of the credit hours in this program can have been used for prior level certification in the same field.
- If candidates used a course for credit in a Class A program, they cannot reteach this same course for credit in this Class AA program.
- A candidate obtaining initial certification in English for Speakers of Other Languages (P-12) at the Ed.S level, must take and pass the Praxis subject exam in English for Speakers of Other Languages of the Alabama Educators Certification Testing Program (AECAP) as a prerequisite for certification.
- Candidates must take a survey of special education course (if not completed previously).

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