Dual Credit Endorsement
Grades 11-12

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The Content-Specific Endorsement will be a recognized credential that will help with the portability of approved coursework for qualified high school dual credit teachers across the State of Illinois.

The nine areas include:

- English Composition
- Speech
- English Literature
- History
- General Math
- Biology
- Statistics
- Calculus
- Psychology

To obtain an Endorsement:

1. QMD or 18 Credit Hours
   The teacher completes a Qualified Master’s Degree or any master’s degree with 18 graduate credit hours of coursework within the discipline.

2. Application & Fee
   The teacher completes the Endorsement Application and pays the $50 Fee in the Educator Licensure Information System (ELIS).

3. Transcript Verification
   The teacher takes a copy of their transcripts and completed application to their hiring institution* for verification.
   *Community College Chief Academic Officer or University Provost’s office

4. Send to ROE
   The CAO or Provost sends the form to the Regional Office of Education for sign off.

5. ROE Action
   The Regional Office of Education uploads the form to the teacher’s ELIS account.

6. Endorsement Issued
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