



# Endorsement Evaluation Request

## What is an endorsement?

Endorsements are subject areas that can be added to your teaching certificate that allows you to teach that subject full time. Endorsements are available at three different levels: primary, middle school, and secondary. All endorsements have specific requirements that must be met and are dictated by the Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE). You must meet these requirements in order to be eligible for the endorsement(s).

## What areas does DePaul evaluate?

The College of Education at DePaul offers several certificate programs. While ISBE offers endorsements in many different areas, the faculty and staff at DePaul may only complete evaluations for endorsements in which we have approved ISBE programs. Individuals seeking endorsements in other areas can apply for an endorsement evaluation directly with ISBE after receiving certification.

## What is the criteria for each endorsement?

Endorsements at the middle school level require the successful completion of SCU 339 or SCG 439. Additionally, they require 18 semester hours (27 quarter hours) in the subject area. Bilingual Education, ESL, Reading Teacher, and Math have additional specific requirements. Primary endorsements have the same requirements as middle school but do not require SCU 339 or SCG 439.

Endorsements at the high school level require 24 semester hours plus the content area test for that area. Science and Social Science endorsements have additional specific requirements and it is best if you talk to your advisor if you are interested in either of these areas. Bilingual Education, ESL, and Reading Teacher also have additional specific requirements.