

- As of July 1, 2014, applicants for an initial license as a core academic teacher, principal/assistant principal, or supervisor/director are responsible for earning the SEI endorsement required for the license.
- Is the responsibility of every SEI teacher and SEI administrator assigned to a cohort to earn the SEI endorsement or else lose the ability to renew, advance, or extend the educator's license until the educator obtains the endorsement, absent a showing of hardship.
- All educators must plan to acquire 15 PDPs in SEI or ESL and meet other license renewal requirements if they intend to seek to renew their license on or after July 1, 2016.
- Recognizing that the training required of incumbent SEI educators is more extensive than other license renewal criteria, the Department has arranged funding for Department-approved instructors to provide the SEI course to cohort members at no cost to them during the SY 2013 to SY 2016 transition period. We are working with districts to make this training available to their SEI teachers and administrators. (See discussion below.) If SEI educators do not avail themselves of the no-cost opportunity to earn the SEI endorsement, they will have to earn the endorsement at their own expense through other means, so they can renew, extend or advance their license.
- No later than July 1, 2016, to employ and assign SEI teachers who meet the state standards to classrooms with ELLs, and qualified administrators to evaluate and supervise these teachers consistent with 603 CMR 7.15(9) and 603 CMR § 14.07 (3) and (4).
- To that end, as of July 1, 2016, no core academic teacher shall be assigned to provide sheltered English instruction to an ELL unless such teacher either holds an SEI endorsement, or will earn such endorsement within one year from the date of assignment. Similarly, no building administrators shall have responsibility for evaluating or supervising SEI teachers unless such administrator either holds an SEI endorsement, or will earn such endorsement within one year of the commencement of such supervision or evaluation.
- Educators who hold an ESL license are not assigned to a cohort because they automatically qualify for the SEI Teacher Endorsement.
- DESE-designated Core Academic Teachers who teach ELLs will be required to qualify for the SEI Endorsement. All other licensed educators will need to complete 15 PDPs in SEI and 15 PDPs in special education instruction in order to renew a Professional License after July 1, 2016. Fulfilling these mandates will affect your ability to maintain an active teaching license in Massachusetts.

- Teachers who wish to add an ESL license must pass the ESL MTEL test and complete a 150-hour practicum in the role of the license. The 150-hour practicum requirement is a new requirement as of June
- 2012. Teachers who hold an ESL license are already qualified for the SEI Endorsement.
- Core Academic Teachers for the purposes of SEI instruction include those who teach:
 - Civics and Government Early Childhood
 - Economic Elementary
 - English History and Geography
 - Language Arts Mathematics
 - Reading Science
 - Special Education– Moderate Disabilities & Severe Disabilities
- Under the proposed regulations, teachers may qualify for an SEI Endorsement by one of the following:
 1. Completing a DESE-approved course of study specific to SEI.
 2. Passing a DESE-approved assessment (not yet available).
 3. Holding a bachelor's degree in a major approved by DESE or completing other graduate level training approved by the department that embodies the required standards.
 4. Holding an English-as-a-Second-Language (ESL) or an ELL license.