THE GRADUATE COLLEGE
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ELEMENTARY EDUCATION
BILINGUAL/BICULTURAL

“The bilingual education program offered at Texas State University is a rigorous academic program of instruction. This program has helped prepare me to become an effective bilingual educator who is able to meet the diverse needs of students with limited English proficiency.”

—Keila Gallegos BILINGUAL EDUCATION ALUMNA

Texas State University was founded as a teachers college in 1899, and more than a century later, it continues the tradition of producing only the highest quality educators.

The graduate elementary education program at Texas State offers advanced studies in curriculum, teaching and learning for educators who are certified to teach at the levels of early childhood through middle grades (EC-8). Teachers pursue master’s degrees in education to improve their theoretical understanding of pedagogy and enhance their teaching skills.

The master’s program in bilingual/bicultural elementary education is designed for bilingual/biliterate (Spanish and English) individuals interested in teaching in kindergarten through sixth-grade classrooms. Those who are passionate about teaching, learning and making a difference should consider this master’s degree program at Texas State.
Course Work
Certified teachers who enter the graduate bilingual/bicultural elementary education program work toward either a master of education or a master of arts with a major in elementary education-bilingual/bicultural.

Individuals who do not have undergraduate degrees in education but wish to earn their EC-6 bilingual generalist teaching certificates while pursuing master's degrees in bilingual/bicultural elementary education can do so through the Certification with a Master of Education Degree (CMED) program at Texas State.

Master of Education with a Major in Elementary Education-Bilingual/Bicultural
This 36-semester-hour program requires students to complete 24 semester hours of elementary education course work and 12 hours of course work in an approved minor. The default minor is methods and materials for bilingual/bicultural education unless the student requests another minor.

Master of Arts with a Major in Elementary Education-Bilingual/Bicultural
This 30-semester-hour program requires students to complete at least 24 semester hours of elementary education course work, plus a six-hour minor in methods and materials for bilingual/bicultural education (unless another minor is requested) and a written thesis.

Admission Policy
Applicants must meet the Texas State Graduate College’s minimum GPA requirement of 2.75 for the last 60 hours of course work leading to the bachelor’s degree. No GRE score is required.

Each applicant must submit the following to the Graduate College:
• the online Graduate College application through ApplyTexas
• application fee
• one official transcript from each four-year college or university attended

Students must meet with the bilingual coordinator to ensure their proficiency in written and spoken Spanish.

Visit www.gradcollege.txstate.edu for access to an online application and additional details. Applications are due June 15 for the fall semester and October 15 for the spring semester, and April 15 for the summer semester. The Graduate College will continue to process applications received after these deadlines; however, such applications will be processed on a first-come, first-served basis, with no guarantees of admission.

Financial Assistance
The Department of Curriculum and Instruction offers a variety of scholarships made available by generous donors. Visit the department website at www.education.txstate.edu for application details.

For more information about scholarships, financial aid and application deadlines, visit the Graduate College website at www.gradcollege.txstate.edu and click on Financing Your Graduate Education. Please note that program admission priority deadlines must be met in order to be considered for scholarships, fellowships and assistantships.

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