

Educating Multilingual Learners (Graduate Certificate)

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Prepare to advocate for the distinct educational needs of multilingual learners. You'll gain knowledge and experience in language learning, pedagogy, culture and context with a certificate in educating multilingual learners.

Program description

Degree awarded: Certificate Educating Multilingual Learners (Certificate)

The graduate certificate in educating multilingual learners prepares students to educate multilingual learners in a variety of settings, including preK-12 schools, colleges, universities and organizations serving and advocating for linguistically diverse populations.

While the program is an excellent choice for teachers seeking to improve their preparation for multilingual learners, it does not lead to teacher certification. There is no requirement for students entering the program to hold a teaching certificate or seek to obtain one.

This certificate program is not designed to address specific requirements of any single state endorsement but may address many components for state endorsements, depending on state requirements.

Individuals who wish to build a career in the field of English language teaching should consider the [Master of Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages](#) offered through The College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

At a glance

- **College/School:** [Mary Lou Fulton Teachers College](#)
- **Location:** [Online](#)

Degree requirements

15 credit hours

Required Core (9 credit hours)

BLE 534 Language, Policy and Power: Past and Present (3)

BLE 536 Education for Social Transformation (3)

BLE 537 Linguistics for Educators (3)

Electives (6 credit hours)

Additional Curriculum Information

Students should see the academic unit for approved list of elective courses.

There is no culminating experience required for the certificate program.

Admission requirements

Applicants must fulfill the requirements of both the Graduate College and the Mary Lou Fulton Teachers College.

Applicants are eligible to apply to the program if they have earned a bachelor's or master's degree, preferably in education or related field, from a regionally accredited institution.

Applicants must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00 (scale is 4.00 = "A") in the last 60 hours of their first bachelor's degree program, or a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00 (scale is 4.00 = "A") in an applicable master's degree program.

All applicants must submit:

1. graduate admission application and application fee
2. official transcripts
3. personal statement describing the applicant's interests and reason for seeking this degree
4. resume
5. proof of English proficiency

Additional Application Information

An applicant whose native language is not English must provide proof of [English proficiency](#) regardless of their current residency.

Tuition information

When it comes to paying for higher education, everyone's situation is different. Students can learn about [ASU tuition and financial aid](#) options to find out which will work best for them.

Attend online

ASU Online

ASU offers this program in an online format with multiple enrollment sessions throughout the year. Applicants may [view the program's ASU Online page](#) for program descriptions and to request more information.

Career opportunities

As populations continue to diversify, there is high demand for professionals with expertise in supporting multilingual learners. Program graduates are well suited for positions within education or organizations serving international or immigrant populations.

Career examples include:

- educational consultant
- education manager
- instructor
- multilingual or bilingual education specialist
- professional development manager
- school administrator

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