

Bilingual Added Authorization in Spanish

Prepare to Teach and Lead in Bilingual Classrooms

FPU's Bilingual Added Authorization in Spanish prepares educators to effectively teach multilingual learners in bilingual and dual-language educational settings. Through coursework focused on language acquisition, culturally responsive teaching and biliteracy development, candidates gain the knowledge and practical skills needed to support academic success in both Spanish and English.

Designed for current and aspiring educators, the program provides preparation to serve California's increasingly diverse student population while expanding professional opportunities in bilingual education.



Program Highlights

- ▶ **Prepare to teach** in bilingual and dual-language classroom settings.
- ▶ **Coursework** focuses on bilingual methodology, multicultural education and academic language development.
- ▶ **Develop skills** to support biliteracy and culturally responsive instruction.
- ▶ **Designed for candidates** pursuing a Multiple Subject or Single Subject credential or practicing educators seeking additional authorization.
- ▶ **Fieldwork experience in bilingual classrooms.**
- ▶ **Offered fully online.**

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FPU offers the California Bilingual Added Authorization to both qualified current credential students and qualified post-credential teachers returning to add to their teaching certification. The FPU Bilingual Authorization will require an additional 6 units of coursework for Multiple Subjects and Single Subject credential students seeking the authorization concurrently with their credential, and an additional 10 units for post-credential teachers. The focus of the program will be preparation to teach in dual language or bilingual settings at both the elementary and secondary levels.

Course Prefix	Required Courses	Units
EDUC 606	Bilingualism & Bilingual Education in the U.S.	3
EDUC 607	Aspectos del Bilingüismo/Bilingualism in Context	3
EDUC 650	Principles & Practices of Biliteracy Development	4
EDUC 651	Methods of Bilingual/Multilingual Education	4

The courses listed above provide a sample overview of our program. Please meet with your academic advisor or visit fpu.edu/catalog to finalize your course registration and sequence.



Application and Admission Information

Students applying for admission to the Bilingual Added Authorization program must submit the following:

- ☐ **Completed Application for Admission:** fpu.edu/applygrad
- ☐ **Official college/university transcript(s)** verifying receipt of a bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited institution and any postbaccalaureate work.
 - If you are currently finishing up your degree, please submit current transcript.
 - A final transcript will need to be submitted before you may enroll in classes.
 - Transcripts can be sent electronically by your institution to trans.evaluator@fresno.edu or via mail in an envelope sealed by your institution to:

Fresno Pacific University
Office of the Registrar
1717 S. Chestnut Ave.
Fresno, CA 93702
- ☐ **Program Interview** – After submitting your application materials including transcripts, a representative will contact you to schedule an interview. During this interview, an initial assessment of spoken and written Spanish language will be administered.
- ☐ **Education plan form.**
- ☐ **Reference Form** – One reference is required for the BILA coursework program. The reference should attest to your professional qualities and your academic qualifications, noting your ability to complete graduate-level work.
 - After you submit your application, your listed reference will be contacted via email with a link to provide their recommendation.
- ☐ **Proof of valid California teaching credential** or concurrent enrollment in FPU's Multiple Subject or Single Subject credential program.
- ☐ **Verification of negative TB test (within last 12 months)**

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