

Master Education Bilingual Education

New Online Program – Fall 2011

Announcing Online Master's Degree Program in Bilingual Education!

UTPA's innovative master's program in Bilingual Education is designed to develop *master teachers* with a thorough understanding of **effective enrichment bilingual education programs** and practices that not only meet the educational needs of ELLs, but also provide bilingual, biliterate, & bicultural enrichment opportunities for *All* children. Diversity must be perceived & embraced as *educational opportunities* for the enrichment of all children, instead of liabilities (deficiencies) that must be corrected. This unique master's degree prepares "**dual experts**" in Bilingual Education and a **Specialization Area** (Educational Administration, Reading, Early Childhood, & Special Education).

Description of Online Degree Program

The M. Ed. in Bilingual Education (BE) is a 39 hour degree of which 18 hours of BE core curriculum will now be offered "**online**" **beginning fall 2011, with plans to offer (and continue) the entire program online by fall 2012**, once internal and external approval is attained.

The total 39 hour Master's Degree consists of:

- 18 hours in Bilingual/Dual Language Education
- 15 hours in a selected specialization area
[Note: Only Educational Administration specialization will be offered online; other selected specializations must be completed on-campus]
- 6 hours in research, measurement and evaluation.

The M. Ed. in Bilingual Education is offered through the Department of Curriculum & Instruction-College of Education. Students have an option of completing a thesis or non-thesis for final degree completion.

Application & Recruitment to the Program

Application deadline is August 1, 2011!

Successful applicants will be fully certified elementary or secondary school teachers with *one year teaching experience preferred*. Completion of GRE is not required.

Applicants must be admitted to UTPA Graduate School.

To apply to UTPA Graduate School online, please visit: <http://apply.embark.com/GRAD/UTPA>

Your online application must include official transcripts; two letters of recommendation from academic and/or professional sources; personal essay in English/Spanish; and copy of TEXES or ExCET certificate.

Two graduate student cohorts will be recruited to begin this online program fall 2011. ***Graduate student participation in this online degree program will be limited to 25 students per cohort on a first-come-first served basis.***

For Application Deadlines, please visit:

http://portal.utpa.edu/portal/page/portal/utpa_main/daa_home/ogs_home_new/Images/Files/Deadline.s.pdf

Contact Information

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http://www.utpa.edu/dept/curr_ins/graduate/bilingual/bilingual.html

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