

GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN BILINGUAL SPEECH- LANGUAGE PATHOLOGY

Web Site: <https://twu.edu/communication-sciences-oral-health/communication-sciences-coms/coms-programs/post-baccalaureate-certificate-in-bilingual-slp/>

This 12 semester credit hour certificate program prepares graduate students to provide assessment and treatment to dual language learners (English/Spanish focus). The program includes online academic coursework and a supervised clinical practicum opportunity and is available to students concurrently enrolled in the M.S. in Speech-Language Pathology program.

Marketable Skills

Defined by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board's 60x30 Strategic Plan (<https://reportcenter.highered.texas.gov/agency-publication/miscellaneous/the60x30-strategic-plan/>) as, "Those skills valued by employers that can be applied in a variety of work settings, including interpersonal, cognitive, and applied skills areas. These skills can be either primary or complementary to a major and are acquired by students through education, including curricular, co-curricular, and extracurricular activities."

1. Effectively diagnose communication disorders in dual language learners
2. Effectively treat communication disorders in dual language learners.

Admissions

All students must meet the University requirements as outlined in the Admission to the TWU Graduate School (<https://catalog.twu.edu/graduate/graduate-school/admission-graduate-school/>) section of the catalog.

The academic program may have additional admission criteria that must also be completed as outlined on the program's website.

Degree Requirements

Total Semester Credit Hours Required

12 semester credit hours (SCH).

The required coursework includes 9 SCH of online academic classes and 3 SCH of a clinical practicum experience with at least 75 clock hours assessing and treating dual language learners under the supervision of an ASHA certified SLP who is bilingual. Students must earn grades of A or B in all classes and successfully pass a case study examination.

| Code | Title | SCHs |
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| COMS 5022 | Integrating Cultural and Linguistic Diversity in Professional Practice | 2 |
| COMS 5323 | Assessment and Treatment of Language Disorders in Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Populations | 3 |
| COMS 5443 | Clinical Externship | 3 |

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| COMS 5723 | Assessment and Treatment of Speech Disorders in Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Populations | 3 |
| COMS PB Elective | | 1 |
| Total SCHs | | 12 |