Purpose of Program

This program responds to societal and educational needs through an advanced multidisciplinary study of cultural and linguistic diversity and related disciplines. Students may choose one of the two distinct concentrations to explore the use of language and culture in diverse multicultural and multilingual settings.

Program Options

This program is comprised of 36 semester hours and is offered in a thesis and non-thesis option. The two concentrations are:

The Bicultural-Bilingual Education concentration provides opportunities for advanced study in the design and implementation of bicultural-bilingual education programs with a particular focus on South Texas schools. This interdisciplinary concentration presents systematic instruction in bilingualism, cultural dynamics, applied linguistics, and the examination of theory and research related to effective bilingual education.

The Bicultural Studies concentration offers the interdisciplinary study of cultural diversity and socio-cultural dynamics in multicultural societies with an emphasis on the Mexican-American/Chicano experience. Courses are designed for students with professional, policy and research interests in intercultural relations within the institutional settings of society. Areas include business, education, government, health, social services and cultural organizations.

Career Opportunities

Graduates are prepared for teaching, research and doctoral studies in a related field, as well as for leadership and policy development positions in state, national and international institutions.

The Bicultural-Bilingual masters program is equipping me with the tools and insight I need to achieve a successful and rewarding career in community empowerment, education, and society.

— Yasmina Codina, Graduate Student

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How to Apply

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graduateschool.utsa.edu

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Financial Aid
utsa.edu/financialaid
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210.458.7169 (appointments)

Financial Aid and Scholarships

To apply, complete the Free Application for Federal Student Assistance (FAFSA)
fafsa.ed.gov

Graduate assistantship positions available within the college (average of 19 hours per week)

Additional graduate student scholarship information:
graduateschool.utsa.edu/funding
utsa.edu/scholarships
education.utsa.edu/current_students/scholarships

Admission Requirements

- Hold a baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited college or university
- Minimum Grade Point Average (GPA) of 3.0 in the last 60 hours of coursework
- International students must have a minimum Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) score of 550 (paper) or 79 (Internet)
- Proficiency or experience learning, using, studying or speaking a language other than English
- Be in good academic standing at the last institution attended
- Submit a one page statement of purpose (English or Spanish)

** Students who do not meet the minimum admission requirements should contact the program’s Student Development Specialist and the Graduate School Catalog for special or conditional admissions