I admired how this program was a true amalgamation of valuable resources for teachers and bilingual teachers to keep in their tool belts.

-Alba Avila

MASTER OF ARTS IN BICULTURAL-BILINGUAL EDUCATION
COLLEGE OF EDUCATION & HUMAN DEVELOPMENT

PURPOSE OF PROGRAM
The M.A.- Bicultural-Bilingual Education degree program offers advanced study in the design and implementation of bilingual/dual language education programs. Coursework incorporates theories of critical pedagogy and educational equity as well as perspectives on additive bilingualism and biliteracy. This interdisciplinary degree advances understandings of urban education, applied linguistics in bilingual settings, and multicultural children’s literature. Grounded in social justice, the program of study incorporates theory and research related to effective bilingual/dual language education.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES
Graduates are prepared to be lead teachers (change agents) in bilingual/dual language settings in both school and the district. The thesis option prepares graduates to pursue doctoral studies in a related field. The average salary for students completing this degree is $61,000.

PROGRAM OPTIONS
Two program of study options allow students to tailor the degree to meet their specific career goals: non-thesis and thesis.

- A non-thesis option provides a range of elective courses covering expressive culture, language diversity, sociocultural issues, historical foundations, and research.
- A thesis option emphasizes research and/or preparation for advanced study at the doctoral level.

Completion of 30 semester credit hours required. Six semester credit hours are taught in Spanish. Students who attend part-time (6 hours each semester) complete the program in 3 years on average.
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• 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
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• Be in good academic standing at the last institution attended

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

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