Bilingual Extension grades Birth – 2nd grade OR 1st grade – 6th grade.
Advanced Certificate

This program is designed for Bilingual Teachers who hold New York State Birth - 2nd grade OR 1st grade - 6th grade; who are proficient in English and in a home language other than English, [Spanish for now]; and who seek a bilingual extension to teach their certification area in both languages.

ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

- An undergraduate or master’s degree index of at least 3.0.
- New York State early childhood or childhood teacher certification grades Birth to grade 6.
- One (1) letter of recommendation.
- Demonstrate proficiency in English and in the home language other than English by completing an interview and career essays in both languages.
- Have successfully completed a course in multicultural perspectives (at least 3 credits). Candidates may take ESC 769 or another course selected in consultation with the adviser to meet this requirement.
- Meet additional Department, College, and State requirements, if any.

CERTIFICATE REQUIREMENTS

Students must consult with an adviser in the Advanced Certificate: Bilingual Extension Birth-Grade 6 program before beginning their studies. During their first semester, matriculated students are required to plan their graduate program with the adviser. All candidates must complete the curriculum outlined below. In order to recommend for the Bilingual Extension, candidates must complete the Advanced Certificate: Bilingual Extension Birth - Grade 6 program with a cumulative of 3.0 or better, pass the Bilingual Education Assessment (BEA), and meet any additional New York.

CURRICULUM (does not include pre-requisite listed above)

EDC 709 (3), EDC 727 (3), EDC 738 (3), EDC 739 (3) (Early Childhood)
EDE 709 (3), EDE 727 (3), EDE 738 (3), EDE 739 (3) (Childhood)

COURSE TITLES By Program

Early Childhood
EDC 709 (3) = Multilingualism in the Classroom, B - 2nd Grade
EDC 727 (3) = Teaching English as a New Language in School Settings (Pre K - 2nd grade)
EDC 738 (3) = EDC 738: Literacy in Bi/Multilingual Early Childhood Settings, B - 2nd Grade
EDC 739 (3) = EDC 739: Social Studies Concept Development in Bi/Multilingual Early Childhood Settings, B - Grade 2

Childhood
EDE 709 (3) = Multilingualism in the Classroom, Grades 1 to 6
EDE 727 (3) = Teaching English as a New Language (Grades 1 to 6)
EDE 738 (3) = Learning and Teaching Literacy in Bi/Multilingual Childhood Settings: Grades 1 to 6
EDE 739 (3) = Learning and Teaching Social Studies in Bi/Multilingual Childhood Settings: Grades 1 to 6

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Questions about admissions?
The Office of Graduate Admissions
https://www.lehman.edu/graduate-admissions/applying/

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