The master’s degree program in bilingual childhood education leads to endorsement for New York state teacher certification as a childhood education teacher and an extension to the certificate for bilingual education.

Admissions

Applicants to all childhood programs must meet the general requirements for admission to the Graduate School of Education and the requirements for admission to initial teacher education programs.

In addition, applicants for any of the childhood programs must have the following:

- an undergraduate degree in one of the liberal arts or sciences related to the areas of the New York state student learning standards, including English, American, or comparative literature; mathematics; an area of science; modern languages; media studies; women’s studies; political science; computer science; information science; communications; history; sociology; anthropology; economics; the arts; or psychology

- college-level study in the following general education core areas: artistic expression, concepts in history and social sciences, a language other than English, scientific and mathematical processes, written analysis and expression, and communication

In addition, candidates for the bilingual extension must provide evidence of their competence in a language other than English by fulfilling one of the following three options:

1. Taking and obtaining a passing score on the ACTFL Language Test (oral and written) in the target language;
2. Documentation in transcripts of having completed undergraduate studies in the target language; or
3. Agreeing to complete successfully two courses in the target language

In addition, a required student-teaching experience must be completed in a bilingual education classroom (grades 1-6).

Required Workshops

The workshops listed below are required of all Initial Teaching (MST) programs as well as certain other programs related to NY state licensure.

In addition to the workshops listed above, the following workshop is also required of students in this MST program:

Required Workshops

Bilingual Childhood Education, MST