

GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN BILINGUAL (SPANISH) EDUCATIONAL DIAGNOSTICIAN

The Bilingual Educational Diagnostician Certificate Program prepares educational diagnosticians who have Spanish and English language proficiency to evaluate English Learners (ELs) and students who are monolingual. Candidates determine language dominance and proficiency, conduct assessments, interpret results, and make educational recommendations for learners in school settings. This certificate is available for candidates who are enrolled in a Bilingual Educational Diagnostician Cohort or candidates who already hold a state-issued Educational Diagnostician certification.

This Graduate Certificate is eligible to receive Title IV funding – Direct Unsubsidized Loans and Graduate PLUS loans by request. To be considered for aid, students need to submit a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). To access financial aid, students must be enrolled in 6 credit hours during the Fall and/or Spring semesters and 3 hours during the Summer semesters.

Applicants seeking admission to the graduate certificate program in the Bilingual Educational Diagnostician Program must submit the following directly to the Office of Graduate Admissions (<https://www.shsu.edu/dept/graduate-admissions/prospective-students.html>):

1. Graduate Application (<http://www.shsu.edu/admissions/apply-texas.html>)
2. Application fee (<http://www.shsu.edu/dept/graduate-admissions/application-fee.html>)
3. Official transcripts from all colleges and universities attended, both undergraduate and graduate
4. Contact information for two references
5. Writing Sample (https://www.shsu.edu/academics/school-of-teaching-and-learning/documents/Writing_Sample_Instructions.pdf)
6. Copy of applicant's Teaching Certification (including Bilingual Education-Spanish)
7. Copy of applicant's Educational Diagnostician Certification (for applicants seeking only the Bilingual Diagnostician Certificate)
8. Official GRE (<https://www.ets.org/gre/>) scores, if GPA in last 60 hours is below a 2.75

Code	Title	Hours
Graduate Certificate in Bilingual (Spanish) Educational Diagnostician		
Specified Courses		
BESL 5314	Sec Lang Acq for Biling Diag	3
SPED 6319	Bilingual Cognitive Assessment	3
SPED 6322	Bilingual Spec Ed Assessment	3
Total Hours		9

Note: This SHSU bilingual certificate is issued in conjunction with the state-issued Educational Diagnostician certification and must meet all state requirements.