SPANISH-ENGLISH BILINGUAL (PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATE)

Overview

Award: Professional Certificate
Program of Study: Spanish-English Bilingual
Program Code: 1715

The Spanish-English bilingual certificate at CMU is focused on developing speaking, writing and comprehension abilities in Spanish and English, as well as increasing the understanding of the cultures of Spanish-speaking countries. The purpose of this certificate is to provide instruction to professionals to develop and demonstrate adequate proficiency in Spanish in a variety of practical and professional settings.

All CMU certificate graduates are expected to demonstrate proficiency in specialized knowledge/applied learning, critical thinking, and personal and social responsibility. In addition to these campus#wide student learning outcomes, graduates of this major will be able to:

1. Express themselves coherently in written and oral English and Spanish. (Communication Fluency)
2. Interpret and analyze important literary and artistic movements/works, history, and/or cultural aspects in relation to the Spanish-speaking world. (Specialized Knowledge)
3. Identify the linguistic and cultural variations that exist in the Spanish-speaking world. (Specialized Knowledge, Critical Thinking)
4. Interpret data, including timelines, graphs, and/or statistics, in order to compare commonalities and differences in the Hispanic speaking world. (Quantitative literacy)

Requirements

Each section below contains details about the requirements for this program. Select a header to expand the information/requirements for that particular section of the program's requirements.

To print or save an overview of this program's information, including the program description, learning outcomes, requirements, suggested course sequencing (if applicable), and advising and graduation information, scroll to the bottom of the left-hand navigation menu and select "Print Options." This will give you the options to either "Send Page to Printer" or "Download PDF of This Page." The "Download PDF of This Page" option prepares a much more concise presentation of all program information. The PDF is also printable and may be preferable due to its brevity.

Institutional Certificate Requirements

The following institutional requirements apply to all CMU Professional Certificates. Specific programs may have different requirements that must be met in addition to institutional requirements.

- Consists of 5-59 semester hours.
- Primarily 300-400 level courses.
- At least fifty percent of the credit hours must be taken at CMU.
- 2.00 cumulative GPA or higher in all courses taken to satisfy program requirements.
- A grade lower than “C” in the program of study will not be counted toward meeting the certificate’s requirements.
- A course may only be used to fulfill one requirement for each degree/certificate.
- Pre-collegiate courses (usually numbered below 100) cannot be used for graduation.
- Capstone exit assessment/projects (e.g., Major Field Achievement Test) requirements are identified under Program-Specific Certificate Requirements.
- The Catalog Year determines which program sheet and certificate requirements a student must fulfill in order to graduate. Visit with your advisor or academic department to determine which catalog year and program requirements you should follow.
- See “Requirements for Undergraduate Degrees and Certificates” in the catalog for a complete list of graduation requirements.

Program Specific Certificate Requirements

(24 semester hours, must pass all courses with a grade of “C” or higher.)

- Pass the OPI exam in non-dominant language (Spanish or English) with a score of Intermediate High or above.

Code	Title	Semester Credit Hours
ENGL 111	English Composition I-GTCO1	3
ENGL 112	English Composition II-GTCO2 (or equivalent)	3
Total Semester Credit Hours		**6**

Code	Title	Semester Credit Hours
Select 18 credits from the following [1]		18
FLAS 300	Spanish Composition and Grammar	
FLAS 304	Advanced Oral Production and Composition	
FLAS 305	Advanced Spanish Grammar and Spanish English Contrasts	
FLAS 311	History and Culture of Spain	
FLAS 312	History and Culture of Latin America	
FLAS 323	Introduction to Hispanic Literature I	
FLAS 324	Introduction to Hispanic Literature II	
FLAS 334	Introduction to Translation and Interpreting	
FLAS 341	Introduction to Hispanic Linguistics	
FLAS 396	Topics	
FLAS 424	Advanced Hispanic Literature	
FLAS 431	Spanish for Medical and Social Services	
FLAS 433	Spanish for the Professions	
FLAS 438	Methods and Specialized Practices in Translation	
FLAS 439	Methods and Specialized Practices in Interpreting	
FLAS 441	Applied Phonetics and Phonology	
FLAS 446	Spanish Language Variation	
FLAS 496	Topics	
FLAS 499	Internship [2]	
Total Semester Credit Hours		**18**

[1] Prerequisite courses can be waived with demonstrated proficiency. See advisor.
[2] Maximum of 3 hours of internship will apply to this certificate.

Advising and Graduation

Advising Process and DegreeWorks

Documentation on the pages related to this program is intended for informational purposes to help determine what courses and associated requirements are needed to earn a certificate. Some courses are critical to complete in specific semesters while others may be moved around. Meeting with an academic advisor is essential in planning courses and discussing the suggested course sequencing. It is ultimately the student's responsibility to understand and fulfill the requirements for their intended certificate.

DegreeWorks is an online degree audit tool available in MAVzone. It is the official record used by the Registrar's Office to evaluate progress towards a certificate and determine eligibility for graduation. Students are responsible for reviewing their DegreeWorks audit on a regular basis and should discuss questions or concerns with their advisor or academic department head. Discrepancies in requirements should be reported to the Registrar's Office.

Graduation Process

Students must complete the following in the first two months of the semester prior to completing their certificate requirements (for one-semester certificates, complete in the first week of class):

- Review their DegreeWorks audit and create a plan that outlines how unmet requirements will be met in the final semester.
- Meet with their advisor and modify their plan as needed. The advisor must approve the final plan.
- Submit the "Intent to Graduate" form to the Registrar's Office to officially declare the intended graduation date and commencement ceremony plans.
- Register for all needed courses and complete all requirements for each degree sought.

Submission deadlines and commencement details can be found on the Graduation web page.

If a student's petition for graduation is denied, it will be their responsibility to apply for graduation in a subsequent semester. A student's "Intent to Graduate" does not automatically move to a later graduation date.