

## **Bilingual Authorization Program Description at CSULA**

The faculty and staff in the Charter College of Education at California State University, Los Angeles (CSULA) have a long tradition of supporting bilingual education and the outstanding preparation of elementary and secondary bilingual educators. Through the Bilingual Teacher Education Program, (BTEP) Candidates are able to receive Bilingual Authorization in Spanish, and selected Asian languages, including Cantonese, Mandarin, Korean and Filipino (Tagalog). Since CSULA is also a member of the California State University (CSU) Asian Bilingual Teacher Education (BTEP) Consortium, candidates may pursue other Asian languages that are taught at sister universities in the Consortium. There are three paths for candidates to receive Bilingual Authorization which include; 1) As a member of a Multiple or Single Subjects Credential Bilingual Cohort, candidates work towards their SB2042 certification, while they simultaneously learn theory, content and methods to provide outstanding bilingual instruction; 2) In the absence of a Bilingual Cohort, Multiple or Single Subjects Credential Candidates take three additional classes for language, culture and fieldwork in the targeted language; and 3) Through the Bilingual Authorization Certificate Program for post credential candidates which is housed in the Bilingual/Multicultural Masters Option. All three paths in the Bilingual Teacher Education Program (BTEP) prepare candidates with the knowledge, skills and field experiences necessary to successfully teach in California's diverse bilingual school settings. Contact person: J. Sabrina Mims-Cox, Ph.D. - [smims@exchange.calstatela.edu](mailto:smims@exchange.calstatela.edu).