The Bilingual Early Childhood Assistant Certificate Program prepares students to meet the requirements leading to a Bilingual Specialization of the Child Development Associate (CDA) credential (issued by the national credentialing agency, the Council for Early Childhood Professional Recognition). This certificate program responds to the current demand for trained practitioners at bilingual early childhood learning centers that is due to the increasing number of non-English speaking families using these centers. Students enrolled in this program will acquire skills in planning and designing activities that are developmentally appropriate learning experiences for young children learning a second language. Upon successful completion of the program students will be able to continue their studies in Bronx Community College’s Education Associate AAS Degree Program, and all of the certificate course credits will be accepted for this AAS degree.

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BILINGUAL EARLY CHILDHOOD ASSISTANT
30 Credits required for Certificate

Semester I
- PSY 11 Introduction to Psychology (3 Credits)
- ENG 110 Fundamentals of Composition and Rhetoric OR ENG 111 Composition and Rhetoric I (3 Credits)
- HLT 91 Critical Issues in Health (2 Credits)
- EDU 10 Child Study - Birth to Grade 6 (3 Credits)
- EDU 15 Reading and Other Language Arts, EDU 16 Literacy in Early Childhood Education OR EDU 17 Literacy in Childhood Education (3 Credits)
- Free Elective (1 Credit)
 TOTAL 15

Semester II
- COMM 11 Fundamentals of Interpersonal Communication (3 Credits)
- PSY 41 Psychology of Infancy and Childhood (3 Credits)
- EDU 18 Literacy in a Spanish Bilingual Program (3 Credits)
- EDU 30 Introduction to Special Needs, Schools and Society (3 Credits)
- EDU 40 Field Work Seminar (3 Credits)
 TOTAL 15

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