## The future is bright for bilingual SLPs

The Culturally & Linguistically Appropriate Speech-Language Services for All Language Learners in New Mexico (CLASS for ALL – NM) program offers a hands-on learning approach to educating future bilingual speech-language pathologists to work in communities in New Mexico and around the country.

## MAKE A DIFFERENCE

CLASS for ALL - NM is a collaborative program between the University of New Mexico and New Mexico State University designed to train bilingual graduate students of speech-language pathology in intervention of the assessment and bilingual children with speech and/or language impairments. In this way, CLASS for ALL – NM aims to address the growing need for bilingual and bicultural practitioners in schools and clinical settings.

Program requirements:

- 1. One (1) bilingual language acquisition course offered online in the Summer session
- 2. One (1) bilingual language assessment course offered online in the Fall session
- 3. One (1) linguistics course of a language other than English
- 4. A minimum of 100 clinical clock hours working with clients who are bilingual or speakers of a language other than English

CLASS for ALL – NM graduates meet or exceed all minimum requirements for the Certificate of Clinical Competence in speech-language pathology (CCC-SLP) issued by the American Speech Language Hearing Association (ASHA).

## **GET INVOLVED**

When you apply to the UNM Speech-Language Pathology graduate program, simply indicate your interest in CLASS for ALL – NM in your letter of intent. After being accepted into the program, you will demonstrate native or near-native linguistic proficiency in a language other than English through an oral examination administered by the American Council on the Teaching of Foreign Languages (ACTFL).

CLASS for ALL – NM scholars are granted tuition funding based on availability. Successful entrants sign an agreement to provide services to children after graduation. Funds are provided through federal grants. Must be a U.S. citizen to participate.

## **CONTACT US**

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