

Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CLD) Education K-12

Applicant		
Legal name:	Date:	
Requirements		
Professional (Content) competency must be demonstrated by:		
a. Valid Colorado teaching license		
b. Completion of a state approved program		
OR		
Documented evidence of 24 semester hours of college level cour	sework from a regior	ally accredited
college or university in each of the areas listed below (with a 2.6	-	
maximum of 6 semester hours of documented professional devel	opment or work exp	erience
Required Coursework (indicates number of coursework hours):		
Content Requirements	Coursework	Semester
		Hours
First and Second Language Acquisition (3 semester hours)		
e.g., language acquisition, second language acquisition,		
bilingualism, language development		
Literacy Development for CLD Students (3 semester hours)		
e.g., literacy for content learning, and reading, writing, speaking,		
and listening development		
Knowledge of English and Linguistics (3 semester hours)		
e.g., grammar, syntax, semantics, linguistics, sociolinguistics,		
psycholinguistics, and applied linguistics		
Assessment of Language Proficiency (3 semester hours)		
e.g., use of Colorado language and content proficiency assessments,		
use of formative and summative assessment, adaptation of		
assessments, analysis of validity of instruments Foundations in CLD Education (3 semester hours)		
e.g., historical, social, multicultural, legal, political background of		
education of CLD students in the United States including emphasis		
on connection between culture and learning, cross-cultural		
communication, and family/community involvement		
Teaching Strategies for CLD Learners (3 semester hours)		
e.g., culturally responsive teaching, sheltered instruction, methods		
and materials for CLD students		
CLD Field Experience (3 semester hours)		
e.g., experience in an instructional setting with CLD learners		
Knowledge of Other Languages (3 semester hours)		
e.g., coursework, study abroad, international service, major/minor		
OR		
3 additional semester hours in one of the above content		
requirements Total Hours		

¹¹⁻¹² Worksheets provide general guidance about content proficiency requirements for purposes of application. Actual application evaluations and decisions are made by CDE staff in Educator Licensing.