Students earning the bilingual Spanish endorsement must major in Spanish and minor in Bilingual Spanish (this requirement does not apply to certified teachers adding the bilingual Spanish endorsement).

All candidates must pass the Spanish Department Proficiency Tests.

If you are interested in a bilingual endorsement program, you must request a bilingual teacher aiding experience in Education 303. SPAN 310 and 340 may count towards both the bilingual minor and the Spanish major.

Students who would like to be certified to teach both ESL and bilingual Spanish may complete both programs at Calvin along with the Spanish major. Because of the number of overlapping courses, only one of the minors may appear on the Calvin degree. The other minor will be added as an additional endorsement to the teaching certificate after graduation. Students interested in this option should meet with the Teacher Certification Coordinator to set up a plan. Students must complete field experiences in both ESL and bilingual Spanish settings. These field experiences will be arranged during EDUC 303 and IDIS 301 or completed as an independent study for two semester hours.