Spanish-Speaking Psychologists

- There is a *high demand* for Spanish-speaking therapists and psychologists.
  - Due to the growing Latinx population in the US, more Spanish-speaking therapists and psychologists are needed.
  - Spanish speaking clients are more likely to open-up, rate therapy as more enjoyable, and more likely to stay in therapy with Spanish-speaking therapists.

- There are *few* Spanish-speaking therapists and psychologists available to work with the Latinx community.
  - Of all psychologists in the U.S., only 1-5% are Latinx.
  - Only about 5.5% of psychologists can provide services in Spanish making them a rare commodity.
  - There is a shortage of Spanish speaking therapists in the US.
Psychologists

- **Psychotherapy**
  - Individual therapy
  - Couple’s therapy
  - Family therapy
  - Group therapy

- **Assessment/Testing**
  - Personality testing
  - Intelligence testing
  - Career assessment
  - Immigration assessments

- **Research**
  - With people
  - With animals
  - With organizations

- **Teaching**
  - At a community college
  - At a university

- **Consultation**
  - Regarding any area of specialty

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Bilingual Psychologists

- **Bilingual Psychotherapy**
  - Individual therapy
  - Couple’s therapy
  - Family therapy
  - Group therapy

- **Bilingual Assessment/Testing**
  - Personality testing
  - Intelligence testing
  - Career assessment
  - Immigration assessments

- **Bilingual Research**
  - With people
  - With animals
  - With organizations

- **Bilingual Teaching**
  - At a community college
  - At a university

- **Bilingual Consultation**
  - Regarding any area of specialty
Education & Training

Bachelor's Degree
- BA in Psychology or Human Development
- BA in any other field

Master's Degree
- Not required.
- MA in Psychology, Counseling, MFT, SW
- MA in any other field

Doctoral Degree
- PhD or PsyD
- Counseling or Clinical Psychology

License
- Regulations vary by state.

Bilingual Education & Training

Bachelor's Degree
- BA in Psychology or Human Development
- BA in any other field
- Major/Minor in Spanish

Master's Degree
- Not required.
- MA in Psychology, Counseling, MFT, SW
- MA in any other field
- MA with an emphasis on Latinx or Spanish-Speaking therapy.

Doctoral Degree
- PhD or PsyD
- Counseling or Clinical Psychology
- PhD/PsyD with an emphasis on Latinx or Spanish-Speaking therapy

License
- Regulations vary by state.
- Bilingual Certificate Programs
- Language Immersion Programs
BILINGUAL TRAINING PROGRAMS

Master’s Programs

- **CSU Fullerton** (*NEW PROGRAM!* Fullerton, CA)
  - MA in Marriage and Family Therapy with Latinx Counseling Emphasis, begins Fall 2018.

- **Pepperdine University** (Irvine, CA)
  - MA in Clinical Psychology with emphasis in Marriage and Family Therapy with Latinxs.

- **Antioch University** (Santa Barbara, CA)
  - MA in Clinical Psychology with Latinx mental health concentration.

- **Alliant International University** (Mexico City, Mx)
  - MA in Counseling Psychology.
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| ° **The Chicago School of Professional Psychology** (Chicago, IL)  
  ◦ MA in Counseling Psychology with Latinx Mental Health concentration. |
| ° **William James College** (Newton, Massachusetts)  
  ◦ MA in Mental Health Counseling and School Psychology with a Latinx Mental Health concentration. |
| ° **Montclair State University** (Montclair, NJ)  
  ◦ MA in Clinical Psychology with Spanish/English Bilinguals concentration. |
| ° **Teachers College, Columbia University** (New York, NY)  
  ◦ MA in Counseling and Clinical Psychology with Bilingual Latinx mental health emphasis. |

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| ° **Pacific University School of Professional Psychology** (Forest Grove, OR)  
  ◦ MA in Applied Psychology with a Latino Bilingual Track. |
Doctoral Programs

- **Massachusetts School of Professional Psychology** (Newton, MA)
  - PhD in Clinical Psychology within the Lucero Latino Mental Health Training Program

- **Pacific University School of Professional Psychology** (Forest Grove, OR)
  - PhD and PsyD in Clinical Psychology with a Latino Bilingual Track

- **Texas A&M University** (College Station, Tx)
  - PhD in Counseling Psychology with a Latinx focus.

- **Teachers College, Columbia University** (New York, NY)
  - PhD in Counseling and Clinical Psychology with Latino emphasis.

- **Carlos Albizu University** (Miami, FL)
  - PsyD in Clinical Psychology with emphasis on working with Latinxs.

- **Our Lady of the Lake University** (San Antonio, Tx)
  - PsyD in Counseling Psychology with an option for a certificate in Psychological Services for Spanish Speaking Populations.

- **William James College** (Newton, MA)
  - PsyD in Clinical Psychology with a Latino Mental Health concentration.

- **University of Miami** (Miami, FL)
  - PhD in Counseling Psychology with the option of receiving a certificate in Latino mental health.
Cultural Immersion Programs

- Alliant International University
  - Summer immersion program at their Mexico City campus.

- Pepperdine University
  - Summer immersion program at Pepperdine’s Buenos Aires campus.

- Ecuador Professional Preparation Program
  - 4-week study abroad program in Ecuador for psychology graduate students and mental health professionals.

- PASEO Program
  - 4- or 8-week summer Spanish-language immersion program in Huanchaco, Peru for graduate students working on mental health grad programs.

BENEFITS & CHALLENGES
Benefits

◦ Many job opportunities available all over the country.

◦ Higher starting salaries or possibilities for raises.

◦ Serving traditionally underserved and unserved populations, making this social justice work.

◦ Supporting and mentorship of the next generation of therapists/psychologists.

◦ Neurologically beneficial to the therapist.

Challenges

◦ Limited education and training opportunities.

◦ Lack of bilingual mentors and supervisors.

◦ More cognitively taxing and time consuming work.

◦ Heavier workload due to the high demand.

◦ Not always more pay.
FIN.

Questions? | ¿Preguntas?