

**KANSAS STATE UNIVERSITY**  
**Bilingual Education Students Interacting to Obtain Success**  
**PROJECT BESITOS BLED CAREER LADDER PROGRAM**  
**Title VII Scholarship**  
**Grant Cycle 1998-2003**  
**Application Form**

This program is funded by Title VII, which are federal funds designated to support the education of low-income, nonnative English-speaking students. Title VII supports programs relating to bilingual instructional models, English-medium models, and programs that provide teacher preparation.

The purpose of this career-ladder program is to increase the number of Bilingual/ESL endorsed teachers in the areas of the highest need in the state of Kansas: Kansas City, Topeka, Emporia, Dodge City, and Garden City.

To address the requirements of the Department of Education's General Education Provisions Act (GEPA), Kansas State University ensures that there are not unaddressed barriers to program participation on the basis of gender, race, national origin, disability, color, or age. At this time, given the needs assessments conducted in participating districts, it is not anticipated that barriers in any of these categories will impede the participation of known or potential applicants to the proposed program. However, applicants of any gender or race will be provided an equal chance for admission to, and participation in, the program. Buildings and program facilities utilized for program delivery will be accessible to persons with disabilities or course &/or instructional materials will be made to accommodate persons with disabilities. Applicants and candidates to the program are free to consult with the project coordinator at any time concerning the need for accommodations relevant to any of these categories.

- ❖ **High school graduates or paraprofessionals**
- ❖ **No prior post-secondary degrees (Applicants with Bachelors or advanced degrees will not be considered)**
- ❖ **Financial need**
- ❖ **Bilingual (proficient in English and another language) or committed to learning Spanish**
- ❖ **Committed to teaching as a career in Kansas City, Topeka, Emporia, Dodge City, and Garden City in the state of Kansas in for two full years**
- ❖ **3.0 minimum G.P.A.**
  - ❖ *3.5 minimum G.P.A. for current university/junior college students*

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**Fill out the application and attach the following documents:**

- ✓ Recent transcripts
- ✓ Two letters of recommendation from people who know your academic potential, e.g. a teacher, professor, counselor, etc.
- ✓ A minimum one-page letter explaining your interest in bilingual education, financial need, experience with language minority students, your personal experiences in learning a second language, and how you will demonstrate your commitment to complete a four year degree in bilingual education.

**Criteria that will be used to identify the recipients of the Title VII scholarships are as follows:**

❖ **For high school students:**

- Financial need
- GPA of 3.0 or higher
- Interest in bilingual education as a career
- Degree of proficiency in English and Spanish

❖ **For paraprofessionals:**

- Financial need
- High school GPA of 3.0 or higher
- GED (interview required)
- Interest in bilingual education as a career
- Degree of proficiency in English and Spanish

❖ **For currently enrolled university/junior college students:**

- Financial need
- \*GPA of 3.5 or higher
- Interest in bilingual education as a career
- Degree of proficiency in English and Spanish

**The application form and the documents must be mailed to:**

Niza DiCarlo, BESITOS Project Coordinator  
238 Bluemont Hall  
1100 Mid-Campus Drive  
Manhattan, KS 66506-5305

*(The deadline is past due, however, late applications are considered if new scholarships become available.)*

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1. Name \_\_\_\_\_

2. Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

3. Home telephone(     ) \_\_\_\_\_ Message telephone(     ) \_\_\_\_\_

4. Name of the last school, university, or junior college attended \_\_\_\_\_

5. Hours, if any, completed at KSU or other university/junior college \_\_\_\_\_

6. Current cumulative grade point average (GPA) \_\_\_\_\_

7. Social Security Number \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

8. Date of birth \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

9. Are you a U.S. citizen? **Yes**    **No** /or Resident?    **Yes**    **No**

10. List all current sources of financial aid and the amounts you will receive for 2001-2002.

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11. What are your special skills? (e.g. computer experience- Microsoft Word, scanning; playing an instrument, etc.)

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12. Are you willing to volunteer in the local schools? **Yes**    **No**

13. Are you active in your community? **Yes**    **No**

(E.g. clubs, rotary, sports, tutoring, peer counseling, etc.)

Explain: (you may attach your response on a separate sheet of paper.)

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14. Rate your language competence in English and Spanish using the scale of  
**1 as lowest and 5 as highest:**

(Upon interviewing, you will be asked to respond to several questions in both Spanish and English. If you speak a language other than English and Spanish, you will be asked to respond in writing to a question in that language.)

|  | <b>Listening</b> | <b>Speaking</b> | <b>Reading</b> | <b>Writing</b> |
|--|------------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|
| <b>ENGLISH</b>   |                  |                 |                |                |
| <b>SPANISH</b>   |                  |                 |                |                |
| <b>OTHER</b><br><i>Please specify language:</i><br>_____ |                  |                 |                |                |