

Woodring College of Education

Special Education Department

Exceptionality & Disability Application



Overview

The Woodring College vision charges faculty and staff with fostering community relationships and a culture of learning that advance knowledge, honor diversities and promote social justice.

In the Department of Special Education and Education Leadership we believe:

- All people can live, learn, play and work together in inclusive communities,
- All persons have inherent value and make valuable contributions,
- In multiple forms of diversity and ways of expression that include but are not limited to: race, ethnicity, abilities, sexual orientation, language, religion/non-religion, culture or country of origin.

For program questions contact:

Special Education, Miller Hall 200, 360-650-3330

sped@wwu.edu | <https://wce.wwu.edu/sped/exceptionality-and-disability-bae>

For application requirements contact:

Teacher Education Admissions, Miller Hall 150, 360-650-3313

TeacherEd.Admissions@wwu.edu | wce.wwu.edu/admissions

Application Details

This application is for the Exceptionality & Disability, BAE (non-certification) program.

Applications are due by the due date unless it is a weekend or holiday; then, applications are due the next business day. All requirements must be completed and application materials received by the Teacher Education Admission Office in Miller Hall 150 on or before the application due dates. Please contact the Department directly if you want to apply after the deadline.

SUBMIT APPLICATIONS TO:

Teacher Education Admissions

Miller Hall 150, 516 High Street, Bellingham, WA 98225-9090

Phone: 360.650.3313 Fax: 360.650.6583

TeacherEd.Admission@wwu.edu | wce.wwu.edu/admissions



Application Deadlines

Fall Quarter March 1

Winter quarter October 1

Spring Quarter January 15

Western Washington University (WWU), in compliance with applicable laws and in furtherance of its commitment to fostering an environment that welcomes and embraces diversity, does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, creed, religion, national origin, sex, disability, age, veteran status, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, marital status or genetic information in its programs or activities, including employment, admissions, and educational programs.

Inquiries may be directed to the Vice Provost for Equal Opportunity & Employment Diversity, Equal Opportunity Office, Western Washington University, Old Main 345, MS 9021, 516 High Street, Bellingham, WA 98225; 360-650-3307 (voice) or 711 (Washington Relay); eo@wwu.edu.

WWU is committed to providing reasonable accommodations to qualified individuals with disabilities upon request. To request an accommodation, please contact disAbility Resources for Students, Old Main 120, 360-650-3083 (voice) or 360-650-7175 (VP), drs@wwu.edu. A one-week advance notice is appreciated.

To request this document in an alternate format, please contact Woodring Admissions, 360-650-3310, TeacherEd.Admission@wwu.edu.

Western Washington University is an Equal Opportunity Institution.

Application Directions

Use these checklists to assure submission of a complete application. An incomplete application WILL NOT be reviewed- it is your responsibility to assure you are submitting a complete application.

Applications must include:

- All sections of this application completed
- All UNOFFICIAL college transcripts, and a WWU Transfer Equivalency Report (if applicable)
- 2 writing prompts (page 4)
- Signed “Student Conduct Requirements and Agreement” (page 4)

Note: If anything in your application needs to be explained, do so on a separate document and include it with this application.

Program requirements:

- WWU student or WWU applicant
- Completed a minimum of 45 graded credits (not including S/U)
- Meet English composition course requirement with a minimum grade of “B-“
- Minimum 2.5 GPA overall or for the last 45+ graded credits (Does not include S/U graded credits or a repeated course)

Application Timeline:

Quarter of admission	Application Due Date	Application Review	Decision Notification
Fall	March 1	Beginning to late March	Late March- April
Winter	October 1	Beginning of October to mid November	Mid to late November
Spring	January 15	Mid January to late February	Late February

All applicants will be notified of admission decisions via email only.

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Applicant Information

WWU Student ID #: W _____ Birthdate: _____

Name: _____

Last
First
Preferred First
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Phone: _____ Alternate Phone: _____

WWU Email: _____@wwu.edu Personal Email: _____

Year and quarter you are applying for: _____

Academic Level: Undergraduate Post-Baccalaureate

WWU Enrollment status: Current WWU Student Applying to WWU*

*If not currently a WWU student, you must apply directly to the university; a separate application.

College Information

List **all** colleges and submit UNOFFICIAL transcripts for all college credit received.

Current WWU students: Include a Transfer Equivalency Report for all transfer credits (including AP & IB).

College	Dates Attended	Degree Earned	Date Completed

If you are an undergraduate, do you have any remaining GUR courses? Yes, list below No

Course:	Course:
Course:	Course:
Course:	Course:
Course:	Course:

Writing Prompts

Please respond to each of the following prompts. Each response should be 500 – 1000 words in length. Please word process and use size 12 font and Times New Roman typeface. Submit your responses with your application.

Prompt 1 - Introduction:

- Introduce yourself to us.
- Share with us your career or personal goals related to this major and what makes you a strong candidate for the program.

Prompt 2:

- How might an educator’s unacknowledged bias, cultural background, or taken-for-granted assumptions affect their ability to create a safe, inclusive, and culturally responsive learning environment?

Student Conduct Agreement and Requirement

Students accepted into the Exceptionality and Disability, BAE program at Western Washington University will have opportunities to work in public or private agencies and are expected to conduct themselves in a professional manner in all interactions.

As a means of emphasizing the importance of professional behavior, the following policies apply. Failure to meet these expectations may result in denial of admission or withdrawal from a course for any of the following reasons:

- A. a guilty plea or conviction of any felony crime involving the physical neglect of or physical injury to a child or other vulnerable person;
- B. the commission of a serious crime against the laws of the State of Washington;
- C. exhibiting unprofessional or unethical conduct or behavior;
- D. failure to maintain a 2.5 quarterly GPA.

I understand that information concerning admitted students may be shared with community and/or school district personnel to determine if a field placement may and should be made, or if a placement should continue; and that the Woodring College of Education cannot override the decision of our community partners. Practicum and/or internship placements are dependent on collaborative approval.

I agree to abide by the above policies and certify, to the best of my knowledge, that all statements contained in this application are true and accurate.

Applicant Signature: _____

Date: _____

DO NOT COMPLETE – Woodring Teacher Education Admission Personnel Only

English Composition Requirement: Yes No

Total College Credits: _____

Cumulative GPA: _____ Last _____ Credits GPA _____

Number of time applicant has applied to this program, including current application: _____