Teacher Education Outreach Programs

Special Education Endorsement - Bellingham & Outreach Sites

This approximately 42-60 credit program is designed for teachers who hold a valid Washington State teaching certificate and wish to obtain an additional endorsement in Special Education (P-12). The program provides coherent preparation in all areas of the Special Education curriculum as well as practical experience. Successful completion of the program leads to recommendation to the Office of Superintendent of Public Instruction for the P-12 Special Education Endorsement.

Admissions & Retention

- Washington state teaching certificate
- Cumulative grade point average of 2.75 or higher overall or for the last 45 quarter credits or 30 semester credits.

Retention in the program requires continuous demonstration of competence in standard oral and written English in all coursework. Retention also requires maintenance of a 2.75 quarterly GPA for each quarter after admission. The State of Washington requires students to earn a "C" or better in all major endorsement and most education courses.

Individual course of study plans will vary according to site location and experience.

Endorsement Course Offerings (Outreach Locations)

- SPED 305 Intro to Special Education and Typical/Atypical Development (5)
- SPED 450 CBE & Norm Referenced Assessment (5)
- SPED 451 Transdisciplinary Teams and IEP (5)
- SPED 471 Interventions for Learning and Achievement in a Diverse Classroom (4)
- SPED 472 Behavior Assessment and Intervention (4)
- SPED 474 Students With Complex Needs (4)
- SPED 483 Reading Instruction For Students with Special Needs (4)
- SPED 484 Designing Written Expression Interventions (4)
- SPED 485 Designing Math Interventions (4)

Endorsement Course Offerings (Bellingham)

- SPED 360 Intro to Special Education (4)
- SPED 452 Applied Behavior Analysis (5)
- SPED 462 Teaching for Learning, Motivation & Achievement in a Diverse Society (5)
- SPED 463 Curriculum-Based Eval: Data Based Assessment for Effective Decision Making (5)
- SPED 464 Disability, Law, and IEP (4)
- SPED 465 Assessment for SPED & Gen Ed Teachers (4)
- SPED 469 Working Effectively with Families, Colleagues, and Community (5)
- SPED 474 Students with Complex Special Needs (4)
- SPED 479 Developmental and Remedial Reading Instruction (5)
- SPED 487 Written Expression Instruction & Interventions (5)
- SPED 488 Math Instruction and Interventions (5)

Field Experience by Advisement

- SPED 441 Analysis & Strategies of Teaching Practicum (1-5)
- SPED 480 *Practicum III - Individual/Group Intervention, Reading (3) (*Bellingham only)
- SPED 489 Practicum V - Individual & Group Interventions (3)
- SPED 498 Internship – Special Education (1-15)