This 45 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.

**Foundation Courses**

- SPED 360 Introduction to Special Education (4) also available online
- SPED 410 Supportive Learning Environments (4) available online OR
- SPED 460 Universal Interventions for Classroom Management (4) and
- SPED 420 Effective Teaching (4)

**Endorsement Requirements**

- SPED 466 Assessment Evaluation & IEP (4)*
- SPED 467 Curriculum-Based Evaluation (4)* Pre-Req to SPED 484, SPED 485
- SPED 468 Families, Professionals & Exceptional Children (4)
- SPED 471 Interventions For Learning Problems (4)*
- SPED 472 Behavior Assessment & Intervention (4)*
- SPED 474 Students with Complex Special Needs (4)
- SPED 483 Reading Instruction For Students with Special Needs (4)*
- SPED 484 Designing Writing Interventions (4)*
- SPED 485 Designing Math Interventions (4)

**Electives through Advisement**

- SPED 441 Analysis & Strategies of Teaching Practicum (1-5)
- SPED 480 SPED Practicum II (1-3)
- SPED 481 SPED Practicum III (1-3)
- SPED 482 SPED Practicum IV (1-3)

* Must be completed as part of the 24 credit pre-endorsement waiver to teach Special Education