

MASTER OF EDUCATION IN SPECIAL EDUCATION

Program Description

This 36-hour degree plan is designed for those holding a valid teaching certificate. The degree plan originates in the Department of Language, Literacy, and Special Populations. The candidate must successfully complete a departmental comprehensive examination. Candidates must be enrolled in coursework during the semester they take comprehensive examinations.

Admissions

To be regularly admitted to the graduate school, applicants must submit to the Office of Graduate Admissions:

1. Graduate Application (<http://www.shsu.edu/admissions/apply-texas.html>)
2. Application fee (<http://www.shsu.edu/dept/graduate-studies/application-fee.html>)
3. Official transcripts from all colleges and universities attended, both undergraduate and graduate (Note: A minimum GPA of 2.5 in undergraduate and graduate work is expected)
4. Acceptable scores on the Graduate Record Examination or the Miller Analogies Test

NOTE: Candidates may be permitted to enroll for one semester while their admission file is incomplete.

Applicants with completed files are reviewed for regular admission by graduate faculty in each program area and are selected by faculty based on information in the completed file.

Applicants must submit to the Department of Language, Literacy, and Special Populations:

1. Two letters of recommendations (the form is available from the LLSP Office)
2. A copy of applicant's teaching certificate if the intention is to sit for the Texas Reading Specialist Certification Exam
3. Acceptable writing sample

In addition, applicants must complete an online questionnaire that shows that

1. they are presently teaching (or have access to a class) so that assignments can be applied
2. they possess the necessary technology skills for graduate work/research.

Degree Requirements

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Specified Courses

SPED 5301	Ed Of Indvcls Wth Disabilities	3
SPED 5302	Assessment In Special Edu	3
SPED 5303	Stdy-Cognvtve/Low Incidn Dsblty	3
SPED 5304	Tch Mthd-Lrnrs/Mild-Mod Dsblty	3
SPED 5305	Indv Assmt-Cog Funct/Wechsler	3
SPED 6304	In-Home Training & Family Iss	3
SPED 6308	Practicum & Mthd In Special Ed	3
SPED 6310	Assmt-Yng Chld/Low Incidnc Pop	3
SPED 6311	Smnr Special Education	3
SPED 6312	Prac Edu Diagnosticians	3
SPED 6313	Seminar-Learning/Learning Dis	3
SPED 6321	Outcomes in Behav Intervent	3

Total Hours 36

Master of Education in Special Education (Bilingual Spanish Degree Plan)

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Specified Courses

BESL 5304	2nd Lang Acquisition & Develop	3
SPED 5301	Ed Of Indvcls Wth Disabilities	3
SPED 5303	Stdy-Cognvtve/Low Incidn Dsblty	3

SPED 5304	Tch Mthd-Lrnrs/Mild-Mod Dsblty	3
SPED 6304	In-Home Training & Family Iss	3
SPED 6308	Practicum & Mthd In Special Ed	3
SPED 6321	Outcomes in Behav Intervent	3
SPED 6310	Assmt-Yng Chld/Low Incidnc Pop	3
SPED 6311	Smnr Special Education	3
SPED 6312	Prac Edu Diagnosticians	3
SPED 6319	Bilingual Cognitive Assessment	3
SPED 6322	Bilingual Spec Ed Assessment	3
Total Hours		36

Master of Education in Special Education (Post Master Degree Plan)

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Specified Courses		
SPED 5302	Assessment In Special Edu	3
SPED 5305	Indv Assmt-Cog Funct/Wechsler	3
SPED 6304	In-Home Training & Family Iss	3
SPED 6308	Practicum & Mthd In Special Ed	3
SPED 6310	Assmt-Yng Chld/Low Incidnc Pop	3
SPED 6311	Smnr Special Education	3
SPED 6312	Prac Edu Diagnosticians	3
SPED 6321	Outcomes in Behav Intervent	3
Total Hours		24

Note

Students with a Master Degree in a related field who complete the above courses will be eligible to sit for the TExEx Educational Diagnostician Certification Exam.