

GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN SPECIAL EDUCATION TRANSITION SERVICES

The Graduate Certificate in Special Education Transition Services is designed for post-bachelor's degree students interested in developing and increasing their skills in the area of special education transition services. The training is also of benefit to special educators seeking a master's degree with an emphasis on transition services and to employees in state agencies with responsibility for supporting adults with disabilities in the workforce and vocational rehabilitation fields. The Graduate Certificate in Special Education Transition Services courses are aligned with the Council for Exceptional Children's Advanced Special Education Transition Specialist standards.

This Graduate Certificate is eligible to receive Title IV funding – Direct Unsubsidized Loans and Graduate PLUS loans by request. To be considered for aid, students need to submit a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA).

Applicants seeking admission to the Graduate Certificate in Special Education Transition Services must submit the following directly to the Office of Graduate Admission:

- Graduate Application (<https://www.shsu.edu/admissions/apply-texas.html>)
- Application Fee (<https://www.shsu.edu/dept/graduate-admissions/application-fee.html>)
- Official transcript from the colleges and universities attended, both undergraduate and graduate, that reflect a 2.75 GPA overall or in the last 60 hours.
- Contact information for two references
- Writing sample (https://www.shsu.edu/academics/school-of-teaching-and-learning/documents/Writing_Sample_Instructions.pdf)
- Interview with program faculty

The Graduate Certificate in Special Education Transition Services is comprised of three special education courses and one counseling course with a concentrated focus on career development and counseling to facilitate transition from secondary education to adult settings. This program affords access to the necessary online learning resources, including access to materials and support from the SHSU Newton Gresham Library (<https://library.shsu.edu/>) as well as technology support from IT@Sam (<https://www.shsu.edu/dept/it@sam/>).

The specialization courses for the Graduate Certificate in Special Education Transition Services is offered online and includes the following required courses:

Code	Title	Hours
Graduate Certificate in Transition Services		
Required Courses		
COUN 5370 or SPED 5308	Career Cnslng Across Lifespan Career Development & Employment for Youth with Disabilities	3
SPED 5306	Transition Services Ind w Dis	3
SPED 5307	Transition Assessment and Inst	3
SPED 5309	Leadership in Transition Serv	3
Total Hours		12