

## Online Master's Degree in Special Education with Professional Certification as Educational Diagnostician\*

**Program Description:** The Masters of Education Degree with a major in Special Education is designed for the practicing teacher to build professional knowledge and practical skills. Completion of degree requirements will allow the candidate to become certified as an Educational Diagnostician. Candidates who are not practicing special educators may be required to complete leveling courses. As a student of the program you will:

- Apply what you learn through meaningful practicum experiences.
- Be conversant with the literature of the field and evidence-based practices.
- Understand the issues, trends, and research that influence contemporary education.

### **Requirements (36 Hours total)\***

#### **REQUIRED COURSES (9 hours)**

____ COUN 6013	(3) Human Relations
____ EDUC 5053	(3) Introduction to Educational Research
____ EDUC 6753	(3) Applied research

#### **SPECIAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS (12 hours)**

____ SPED 6963	(3) Foundations of Special Education Leadership
____ SPED 6013	(3) Teaching Strategies for Affective Disorders
____ SPED 6913	(3) Special Education Law
____ SPED 6943	(3) Practicum in Special Education

#### **INDIVIDUAL ASSESSMENT PROCEDURES 12 hours)**

____ SPED 6613	(3) Individualized Diagnostic Assessment I
____ SPED 6623	(3) Individualized Diagnostic Assessment 11:
____ SPED 6633	(3) Vocational, Motor Skills, and Assistive Technology Assessment
____ SPED 6943	(3) Practicum in Special Education

#### **Electives (3 hours) from**

____ SPED 5613	(3) Foundations of Special Education
____ SPED 5013	(3) Exceptional Individuals
____ COUN 5223	(3) Career Development Counseling
____ SPED 6033	(3) Early Childhood Special Education
____ ECED 5103	(3) Intro to Young Children
____ SPED 6953	(3) Special Graduate Topics in Special Education

\*Leveling courses may be required for those who do not hold current special education certificate.

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