

EARLY CHILDHOOD SPECIAL EDUCATION (M.S.E.)

30 credits

NYSED 25486/25489

The 30-credit master's degree program in early childhood special education prepares teachers who already have early childhood (birth–grade 2) or elementary (pre-K–6) certification, offering the knowledge and skills needed for teaching special education in programs for children from birth through grade 2.

This program places special emphasis on children with disabilities in preschool and the primary grades. The coursework and field experiences develop competencies in understanding, assessing, and instructing children with disabilities and lead to New York state certification as a teacher of Children with Disabilities in Early Childhood Education.

CIP Code

13.1015 - Education/Teaching of Individuals in Early Childhood Special Education Programs.

You can use the CIP code to learn more about career paths associated with this field of study and, for international students, possible post-graduation visa extensions. Learn more about CIP codes and other information resources.

Admissions

In addition to the general admission and completion requirements for master's-level graduate study, candidates must provide evidence of their initial/provisional or permanent/professional certification as an early childhood or elementary teacher.

Requirements

Program of Study

| Course | Title | Credits |
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| CTGE 6192 | Research in the Teaching Process | 3 |
| CTGE 6261 | Media Literacy Technology | 3 |
| CTGE 5157 | Assessment Strategies for Young Children with Disabilities | 3 |
| CTGE 6002 or CTGE 6781 | Beginning Literacy Development in Inclusive Classrooms Instructing Bilingual Special Education Students | 3 |
| CTGE 6320 or CTGE 5234 | Col/Consult w/Fam & Prof Family, Community, and All Young Children | 3 |
| CTGE 6340 | Interventions Read / Write | 3 |
| CTGE 5421 | Planning Instruction for Young Children with Disabilities | 3 |
| CTGE 6305 or CTGE 5301 | Dev Delays / Early Interv Psychological Factors in Young Children with Disabilities | 3 |
| CTGE 6350 | Positive Behavior Support | 3 |

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| CTGE 5222 | Special Education Student Teaching (Requires one semester of student teaching) ¹ | 3 |
| CTGE 0707 | Early Childhood Education Portfolio ² | 0 |
| Total Credits | | 30 |

¹ Fieldwork required.

² There is a fee associated with this course.

Required Workshops

The following workshop is required for students in this program:

| Course | Title | Credits |
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| EDGE 0270 | Autism Training Module | 0 |