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 II:
_____ 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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