SPECIAL EDUCATION, NON-TEACHING (MEd)

Master of Education in Special Education
Unit: College of Education and Human Development (http://louisville.edu/education/) (GE)
Department: Special Education, Early Childhood, and Prevention Science (https://louisville.edu/education/departments/sped/)
Program Website (http://louisville.edu/education/degrees/med-se/)
Academic Plan Code(s): See Degree Requirements, with Concentrations tab.

Program Information
This program can be completed in a traditional classroom format or entirely online (http://louisville.edu/online/programs/masters/master-of-education-in-special-education/).

This program is not designed to lead to teacher certification.

The non-teaching master’s degree in Special Education is designed to advance the knowledge and expertise of professionals who are delivering services for children and adolescents with disabilities through comprehensive-care centers, institutions, hospitals, clinics, day care centers, preschools, and community programs.

Admission Requirements
Admission requirements for this program include the following:
• Admission to the College of Education and Human Development
• Baccalaureate degree in special education, psychology, speech language pathology, occupational therapy or social work from an accredited institution
• Professional certification/license/experience in a field related to autism/intellectual disability
• Statement of professional goals
• Two letters of recommendation
• Test of English as a Foreign Language required of all international students not enrolled during the semester in which they intend to graduate; minimum TOEFL score of 79 on the internet-based test (IBT), or 550 on the paper-based test (PBT) for international students from countries in which English is not the native language; and 2.75 cumulative grade point average. (GRE – Not Required)

Program and Concentration Requirements
MEd in Special Education
Academic Plan Code(s): SPE_MED

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Midpoint Assessment: Cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher; grade no lower than B-minus in all coursework; Exemplary or Target performance on all Hallmark Assessment Tasks to date; scored Exemplary or Target on Rubrics for Advanced Candidates.

Midpoint Assessment
Area of Emphasis
EDSP 570 | Autism: Introduction and Understanding                             | 3     |
EDSP 546 | Behavior Analytic Approach to Communication                       | 3     |
EDSP 650 | Advanced Applied Behavior Analysis                                | 3     |

Minimum Total Hours
Select at least 15 credit hours

Exit Assessment: Cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher; grades no lower than B-minus in all coursework; completion of intervention proposal and presentation with a rating of Satisfactory; Exemplary or Target performance on all Hallmark Assessments; scored Exemplary or Target performance on Advanced Program rubrics.

Degree Candidacy: Students not enrolled during the semester in which they intend to graduate must register for degree candidacy as outlined in the Graduate Catalog (http://catalog.louisville.edu/graduate/general-policies-procedures-requirements/).
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