



Keene State College

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ATTENTION: EARLY CHILDHOOD, ELEMENTARY, AND SECONDARY EDUCATION MAJORS!

Master of Education in Special Education Certification: General Special Education (K-12)

Summer 2010 Start: Applications accepted beginning October 2009

Keene State College's M.Ed. in Special Education combines special education certification and professional leadership coursework. The program culminates with a school-based research project showcasing your area of expertise and leadership capacity in special education. Faculty are dedicated to preparing skilled special educators by partnering with local special education professionals. *Three to six credits are waived for KSC elementary, early childhood, and secondary education majors who complete foundational special education coursework.*

Program features

- One year (full-time) or two-year (part-time) completion options
- Coursework and field experiences (K-12)
- Collaborative internship with supports from both KSC faculty and site-based professionals
- Professional growth through school-based research

The program assists you to

- Apply special education knowledge and skills to help your students with disabilities develop academic, social, and transition skills to become meaningful, productive community members
- Design instruction, assessment, and individualized programs for students and their families
- Collaborate with special education stakeholders within and outside a school system
- Celebrate diversity in the context of supporting individuals with disabilities
- Advocate for individuals with disabilities
- Develop belief and value systems that provide a focus for acting as a special educator
- Reflect on practice to increase special education knowledge, skills, and beliefs

Keene State College graduates are professionals who

- Explore the dynamic nature of the teaching and learning process
- Demonstrate professional and ethical behaviors that meet high expectations and standards
- Understand the world from multiple perspectives
- Contribute to a more just, equitable world

The certification component follows standards set forth by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE), the Council for Exceptional Children (CEC), and the New Hampshire Department of Education.

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Course Sequence M.Ed. in Special Education 32-38 Credits
(Depending on courses taken as an undergraduate student)

| Summer Session I 2010 | Summer Session II 2010 |
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| <p>Certification Coursework</p> <p>Foundations in Special Education (EDUCSP 601; 3 credits) <i>Not required for KSC graduates who completed EDSP 250 earning a "B" or better.</i> Schedule: Summer Institute (five full days and online).</p> | <p>Certification Coursework</p> <p>Curriculum and Instructional Design (EDUCSP 602; 3 credits) <i>Not required for KSC graduates who completed EDSP 350 earning a "B" or better.</i> Schedule: Summer Institute (five full days and online).</p> <p>Positive Behavior Supports (EDUCSP 603; 2 credits) Schedule: Summer Institute (3 full days and online).</p> <p>Demonstration of Professional Leadership Coursework</p> <p>Educational Research Foundation (EDUC 670; 3 credits) Schedule: Intensive three full day program and online.</p> |
| Fall 2010 | Spring 2011 |
| <p>Certification Coursework</p> <p>Assessment and Evaluation in Special Education (EDUCSP 604; 3 credits) Schedule: Evenings, weekends, and online.</p> <p>Internship in Special Education I (EDUCSP 660; 6 credits) Schedule: Field placement in an approved public school setting (400 hours minimum), weekly seminar.</p> <p>Demonstration of Professional Leadership Coursework</p> <p>Educational Research Design (EDUC 675; 3 credits) Schedule: Seminars, individual consultation, online.</p> | <p>Certification Coursework</p> <p>Transition Planning and Programming (EDUCSP 605; 3 credits) Schedule: Evenings and online.</p> <p>Internship in Special Education II (EDUCSP 665; 6 credits) Schedule: Field placement in an approved public school setting (400 hours minimum), weekly seminar.</p> <p>Demonstration of Professional Leadership Coursework</p> <p>Educational Research Capstone (EDUC 680; 6 credits) Schedule: Seminars, individual consultation, online. Includes final professional exhibition of Capstone action research project.</p> |

Participants who complete this program in two years take certification/internship courses in year one and the Demonstration of Professional Leadership (12 credits) in year two.

To Apply

Keene State College considers applications on a rolling admission basis. Students are encouraged to apply beginning October 1st. The college reserves the right to close admissions once class capacity has been reached.

An application form (www.keene.edu/ps/Application_GradStudy_2008.pdf), information on financial aid, and other specifics are available online (www.keenestateinfo.com/gradstudies).

Questions? Get in touch with us! We'd be glad to speak with you.

Call the Graduate Studies Office (603-358-2497) or email us (gradstudies@keene.edu).