

UNIVERSITY OF ALASKA ANCHORAGE

College of Education



Department of Counseling & Special Education

3211 Providence Drive, PSB 225, Anchorage, Alaska 99508-4614

Special Education Program Requirements

Graduate Certificate

Must have a Bachelor's Degree

UAA graduate application & admission (UAA Office of Enrollment Services)

Special Education Program application (CASE office)

GPA \geq 2.75 (on 4.0 scale)

3 recommendation/teaching evaluation-at least one from a supervisor

Current teaching certificate

Courses Required

EDSE A610	Clinical Assessment: Eligibility and Program Planning	3 credits
EDSE A622	Theories and Strategies	3 credits
EDSE A623	Language & Literacy: Best Practices in Assessment & Intervention	3 credits
EDSE A634	Support and Supervision of Paraeducators	3 credits
EDSE A625	Teaching Mathematics to Special Learners	3 credits
EDSE A632	Special Education Law: Principles and Practices	3 credits
EDSE A695E*	Advanced Internship in Special Education: Elementary	3 credits
or		
EDSE A695S*	Advances Internship in Special Education: Secondary	3 credits

*a total of 6 credits of advanced internship are required; all EDSE A695 classes may be taken twice

Masters of Education in Special Education

The same admission requirements as for the Graduate Certificate

Courses Required

The 24 Graduate Certificate courses plus:

EDFN A660	Fundamentals of Research in Education	2 credits
	Research by advisement	4 credits
EDSE A624	Social Emotional Development, Assessment, Intervention	3 credits
EDSE A633	Autism: Communication and Social Disorders	3 credits

A minimum of 36 credits is required for the M.Ed. in Special Education.

Students who complete the Graduate Certificate program and later decide to pursue the M.Ed. will need to reapply to the University Graduate Program. *We have worked with Enrollment Services to waive the application fee for students who have completed a Graduate Certificate at UAA and wish to continue on with us for a master's degree. To take advantage of the application fee waiver select UAA Grad Cert to Master Degree on the drop down menu when you view the Select a Waiver screen during the application process.*

Be aware that courses have a 7 year life and will need to be repeated if the degree program is not completed before the course is 7 years old.