# SPECIAL EDUCATION CERTIFICATE

The Special Education Certificate is delivered fully online, designed for curriculum directors, practicing teachers, educational and medical practitioners, school leaders, and those who seek to improve their understanding of Special Education and students with disabilities. You will have the opportunity to gain skills and knowledge in the area of special education and to develop effective strategies for working with students with disabilities. This certificate is an elective option in our 100% online Master of Education program.

## **Contact Information**

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# **Learning Outcomes**

Upon completion of the certificate in Special Education, the student will meet the set of program outcomes within the specialized content/context:

- Apply best practices and effective instructional strategies grounded in current education theory to promote student learning.
- Develop cultural self-awareness and cultural fluency to work effectively with students and communities of diverse backgrounds.
- 3. Engage in the process of inquiry and critical thinking regarding current educational issues and practices.
- Be able to examine and analyze data to make informed instructional student centered decisions.
- Identify and apply 21st Century technologies and strategies to enhance student learning.
- Gain skills to become advocates and change agents for 21st century learners.

# Requirements

Students must achieve the following program requirements for all courses listed under Program Requirements and Program Required Courses for the Special Education certificate.

#### **Program Requirements**

Major Credits: 12 Minimum GPA: 3.0 Minimum Grade: C

#### **Program Required Courses**

Code	Title	Credits
Students will select four of the following courses:		12
EDU 5600	Foundations of Special Education	
EDU 5630	Collaboration Skills	
EDU 5640	Behavior Theories, Analysis and Interventions	
EDU 5650	Assessment Strategies for Students with Mild, Moderate Disabilities	/
EDU 5660	Special Education Law	
EDU 5670	Fundamental Characteristics of Mild/Moderate Disabilities	2
EDU 5680	Transitional Planning and Secondary Services Students with Mild/Moderate Disabilities	for

EDU 5690 Instructional Strategies for Students with Mild/ Moderate Disabilities

Total Credits 12

### **Degree Requirements**

To graduate from The College of St. Scholastica, graduate students must meet the following minimum degree requirements.

Minimum GPA: 3.0