

# SPECIAL EDUCATION MINOR



The Special Education minor at Millersville University is an 18-credit program designed to provide students with foundational knowledge and applied skills for working with individuals with disabilities across educational settings. The minor includes one required introductory course – Orientation to Special Education – and 15 additional credits selected from a range of specialized electives.

## COURSEWORK

Coursework covers inclusive practices, behavior management, assessment, assistive technology, early intervention, transition planning, and instruction for diverse learners. Many courses include field experiences with required clearances, offering hands-on application.

The flexible, interdisciplinary program supports students from various majors – especially human services – by strengthening inclusive practices and responsiveness to diverse learning needs.

## LEARNING OBJECTIVES

*Explain key special education laws, policies and foundations.*

1. Apply inclusive and differentiated instructional practices for diverse learners.
2. Use assessment data to guide instruction and monitor progress.
3. Implement behavior supports and assistive technology to improve access and outcomes.
4. Collaborate professionally and apply skills in real-world/field settings, including transition planning.

## PROGRAM COURSES

- SPED 101: Orientation to Special Education (3)
- Choose 15 additional credits:
- SPED 237 Applied Foundations of Contemporary Special Education (3)
  - EDFN 336 AT and Online Learning (3)
  - GFED 370 Teaching Gifted Learners (3)
  - SPED 321 Severe Disabilities in Inclusive Settings (3)
  - SPED 341 Early Intervention (3)
  - SPED 351 Managing Challenging Behaviors (3)
  - SPED 361 Formal Assessment for Students With Disabilities (3)
  - SPED 444 Secondary Programming and Transition (3)
  - EDUC 324 Diagnostic Reading (3)

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