Special Education (MA)

This program is offered by the School of Education. It is available online (asynchronous).

Program Description

The MA in Special Education program emphasizes a developmentally oriented approach to special education, integrating advanced theory and research in learning processes and emotional well-being. This empowers students to design and implement inclusive, evidence-based interventions and teaching strategies that enhance learning for all students, regardless of background or ability. Candidates from around the world are encouraged to explore opportunities for collaboration and advocacy within their educational systems, with a shared goal of improving the quality of life for individuals with disabilities and ensuring equitable access to education globally. Recognizing the dynamic and evolving field of special education, the program is dedicated to fostering integrated, inclusive learning environments that support the unique and diverse needs of every child and youth. Whether you are seeking to innovate in your community or contribute to international efforts, this program equips you to make a lasting impact in the field of special education.

The MA in Special Education program does not lead to initial teacher certification in special education. For more information about initial teacher certification in special education (mild/moderate disabilities), please refer to the Teacher Certification

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- SPED 5250 Behavior Management for Children with Special Needs (3 hours)
 - or EDIN 5622 Restorative Justice: Learning Communities (3 hours)
- SPED 5285 Understanding and Responding to Trauma in Schools (3 hours)
- SPED 5290 Co-Teaching and Collaborative Practices for the 21st Century Classroom (3 hours)
 or EDIN 5620 Mindfulness (3 hours)
- SPED 5700 Multi-Tiered Systems of Support (3 hours)

Admission

See the Admission section of this catalog for general admission requirements. Students interested in applying must submit their application online at www.webster.edu/apply. Transcripts should be sent from your institution electronically to transcripts@webster.edu. If this service is not available, send transcripts to:

Office of Admission Webster University 470 E. Lockwood Ave. St. Louis, MO 63119

Additional Requirements