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COLLEGE  
PROFESSIONAL STUDIES

# SPECIAL EDUCATION (FUNCTIONAL)

## Master of Special Education (Functional)

The master of education with a major in special education low-incidence disabilities is designed for those who wish to earn an endorsement in special education as part of their graduate degree.



### Convenience

Five start dates per year



### Flexibility

Online classes



### Education Endorsement

Endorsed in functional special education in the state of Kansas



## About Southwestern College

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# Master of Functional Special Education

## Core Major Requirements

- EDUC 514 Intro Special Education: Individual Educational Plan Development
- EDUC 524 Intro to Special Education
- EDUC 525 Collaboration with Parents & Professionals
- EDUC 534 Transitions to Education
- EDUC 714 Characteristics of Children & Youth with Low-Incidence Disabilities
- EDUC 718 Methods: Life Skills & Community-based Instruction
- EDUC 722 Functional Behavior Assessment Positive Behavior Support & Classroom Management
- EDUC 724 Advanced Methods: Strategies for Students with Significant Sensory, Motor & Health Needs
- EDUC 735 Assessment, Diagnosis & Evaluation
- EDUC 757 Communication & Literacy
- EDUC 758 Initial Practicum in Functional Special Education
- EDUC 759 Advanced Practicum in Functional Special Education

## Research Requirements

- EDUC 512 Action Research

## Related Courses of Interest

- EDUC 725 Foundations of Autism Spectrum Disorders

## Graduation Requirements

1. Complete the specific program requirements for the master's program
2. Have an overall grade point average of 3.0, with no grade below a C (2.0)
3. Complete a minimum of 36 credit hours

## Program Description

The master of education with a major in special education low-incidence disabilities is designed for those who wish to earn an endorsement in special education as part of their graduate degree. A minimum of 36 hours is required for the graduate degree. Endorsement in low incidence disabilities may be earned with 33 credit hours. A minimum of 9 credit hours is required for a provisional endorsement. EDUC 512 Action Research must be completed within the first 15 credit hours of the program of study.

## Admission Requirements

Applicants are required to submit:

1. Graduate application forms
2. Current resume
3. Two professional letters of recommendation (at least one from a current or former employer)
4. One-page personal essay
5. An official transcript from the bachelor's degree-granting institution (applicants must have a baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited institution or higher learning and have a minimum grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale)
6. Be a current, licensed teacher

*All degree requirements are subject to change. Please see Southwestern College Professional Studies Catalog for the most current degree requirements. All course descriptions can be found online at [ps.sckans.edu](http://ps.sckans.edu)*