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Program Status	Active		
Academic Level	Graduate		
Type of proposal	Major/Field of Study		
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Making Minor Changes to an Existing Degree (e.g. changing 15 or fewer hours, changing admission/graduation requirements, adding/changing Focused Study or Track)			
Are you adding a concentration?			
No			
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No			
Are you adding or modifying a focused study?			
No			
Effective Catalog Year	Fall 2020		
College/School Code	College of Education and Health Professions (EDUC)		

In Workflow

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Approval Path

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SPEDME

Degree

Master of Education

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3. 01/06/20 3:48 pm

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4. 01/09/20 4:29 pm

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History

1. Jun 9, 2015 by Lisa Kulczak (lkulcza)
2. Mar 20, 2018 by Peggy Schaefer (pschaefe)
3. May 20, 2019 by suzannek

13.1001 - Special Education and Teaching, General.

Program Title

Special Education, Master of Education

Program Delivery

Method

~~On-Campus~~

Online/Web-based

Is this program interdisciplinary?

No

Does this proposal impact any courses from another College/School?

No

What are the total 36
hours needed to
complete the
program?

On-line/Web-based Information

Reason for offering

Web-based Program

program previously approved for online delivery

Maximum Class Size 25
for Web-based
Courses

Course delivery
mode

Method(s)
Online

Class interaction
mode

Method(s):
Electronic Bulletin Boards

Percent Online

100% with No Required Campus Component

Provide a List of
Services Supplied by
Consortia Partners or
Outsourced
Organization
na

Estimate Costs of the na
Program over the
First 3 Years

List Courses Taught
by Adjunct Faculty

Upload
Memorandum of
Understanding Forms
(if required)

Program Requirements and Description

Requirements

Program Description: The coursework for the M.Ed. in Special Education program prepares teachers to work with students with disabilities from kindergarten through grade 12 by building competencies and knowledge expected within the field of Special Education. Two special education licensure options are available: an M.Ed. leading to initial license and an M.Ed. leading to endorsement. The M.Ed. in Special Education is an on-line

program, allowing students the opportunity to pursue educational goals at a time and place that fits their individual schedules. The practicum courses take place in public schools across the United States. Special Education graduate certificates (e.g., ABA, Autism Spectrum Disorders) and other Arkansas Department of Education endorsements (e.g., Gifted, Dyslexia, Educational Examiner, Resource Room, Special Education) offered by the special education program can be embedded into the Special Education master's degree program. The College of Education and Health Professions provides the coursework needed for successful teacher candidates to submit a request for the special education license or endorsement from the Arkansas Department of Education. Prospective students not residing in Arkansas must check their own state's requirements and reciprocity agreements. Nationally recognized faculty provide the instruction for the program.

Admission Requirements for the Master of Education in Special Education:

A bachelor's degree from an accredited institution of higher education. For prospective students with a bachelor's degree in a field outside education the M.Ed. with initial license is necessary. For those students with bachelor's degree in education (e.g., early childhood education, secondary education) the M.Ed. with endorsement is appropriate.

A minimum 3.0 cumulative grade point average (GPA) during the last 60 hours of undergraduate work **For the Special Education Masters of Education Program a** Praxis Core Exam, GRE, or other approved Standardized Core Knowledge Test **is required.**

Three reference letters

A statement of purpose and resume/curriculum vitae

Students should also be aware of Graduate School requirements with regard to [master's degrees](#). **Applicants must meet all requirements for admission to the University of Arkansas Graduate School, except the standardized test score requirement.**

Requirements for the Master of Education in Special Education: Minimum of 36 graduate semester credit hours.

SPED 5413	ABA and Classroom Management for Teachers	3
SPED 5633	Curriculum Development and Instructional Planning 1	3
or SPED 6873	Measurement and Experimental Design	
or ESRM 5013	Research Methods in Education	
or ESRM 5393	Statistics in Education and Health Professions	
SPED 5683	Teaching Literacy Skills to Students with Disabilities	3
SPED 5733	Inclusive Practices for Diverse Populations	3
SPED 5673	Teaching Students with Disabilities in the Content Areas	3
SPED 5763	Teaching Individuals with Severe Disabilities	3
SPED 5783	Professional and Family Partnerships	3
SPED 5873	Assessment and Programming for Students with Disabilities	3
SPED 6433	Legal Aspects of Special Education	3
SPED 6803	Teaching Students with Autism Spectrum Disorders 2	3
or SPED 5883	Research in Inclusive Education	

<u>SPED 532V</u>	Practicum in Special Education (total of 6 hrs of SPED532V required in K-6 and 7-12)	6
Total Hours		36
1	Students seeking M.Ed. with initial license take <u>SPED 5633</u> . Students seeking M.Ed. with endorsement take <u>SPED 6873</u> , <u>ESRM 5013</u> , or <u>ESRM 5393</u> .	
2	Students seeking M.Ed. with initial license take <u>SPED 6803</u> . Students seeking M.Ed. with endorsement take <u>SPED 5883</u> .	

Are Similar Programs available in the area?

No

Estimated Student na

Demand for Program

Scheduled Program 2019-2020

Review Date

Program Goals and

Objectives

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The Inclusive Education and Clinical Program's Special Education Master's program leading to initial license and endorsement prepares special educators who have specialized knowledge and skills to meet the educational needs of learners, kindergarten through grade 12, with exceptionalities.

Learning Outcomes

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Program objectives include the preparation of future special educators to:

1. Understand the individual development and differences of learner's with exceptionalities and apply this knowledge to instructional design and implementation,
2. Create individualized, inclusive, safe, and culturally responsive learning environments,
3. Design, modify, and adapt curricula to meet the goals of students,
4. Effectively and without bias assess the individualized needs of students with exceptionalities, as well as their progress,
5. Identify, adapt, and implement evidence-based instructional strategies to advance the learning of students with exceptionalities,
6. Use professional ethical standards, support other's use of these standards, and continue to develop professional knowledge and practices, and
7. Collaborate with families, individuals with exceptionalities, other school professionals, and community service providers to address the needs of individuals with exceptionalities.

Description and justification of the request

Description of specific change	Justification for this change
<p>Per Dr. Koski added wording: "Applicants must meet all requirements for admission to the University of Arkansas Graduate School, except the standardized test score requirement." and specified that "For the Special Education Masters of Education Program a Praxis Core Exam, GRE, or other approved Standardized Core Knowledge Test is required. "</p> <p>Also, added requirement of a statement of purpose and resume/curriculum vitae for application.</p> <p>No changes made to coursework.</p>	<p>Per Dr. Koski recommendation that that SPED request an exemption to our graduate level test requirement for all applicants.</p> <p>Added requirements of statement of purpose and resume will help program faculty prepare to advise student based on their experience and career plans.</p>

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Reviewer Comments

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