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# Master's Degree Program in Special Education

College of Education  
Wright State University  
Dayton, Ohio 45431



## **Degree Program**

The College of Education at Wright State University offers a wide variety of master's degree programs in special education. A master's degree student can prepare for certification in the areas of educable mentally retarded, learning disabilities/behavior disorders, orthopedically handicapped, special education supervision, special education administration, or the trainable mentally retarded. In addition, a student can receive training in working with gifted and talented children, the severely/profoundly retarded, and the autistic-like child.

The master's degree programs are competency-based and stress varied field experiences with special children, youth, and adults. Emphasis on a transdisciplinary approach provides the opportunity for greater depth and flexibility within a particular area of concentration.



## **Concentrations**

The Master of Arts and Master of Education degrees are available with concentrations in the following areas:

### *Children and Youth with Mild Handicaps*

emphasizes a non-categorical, prescriptive teaching approach. Students can prepare for certification in either educable mentally retarded and/or learning disabilities/behavior disorders.

### *Children and Youth with Multiple Impairments*

stresses techniques of working with moderately, severely, and profoundly retarded, autistic-like persons, as well as with persons who have severe physical disabilities.

*Gifted and Talented Children and Youth* is a concentration designed for the regular classroom teacher who wishes to be better prepared for teaching gifted and talented children and youth in a regular or special setting.

*Special Education Consultant/Supervisor or Administrative Specialist* leads to certification for students who wish to prepare for supervision or administration. Three years of special education classroom experience is necessary for supervisory certification and three years of experience in any field is necessary for administrative certification.

## **For Further Information**

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