SPECIAL EDUCATION (B.A.)

Initial license to teach students with moderate disabilities in grades PreK-8 or 5-12

Bachelor's in Education  Secondary Major required

How do I pursue this?

1. Enter as Education major (Community Education & Social Change concentration) or Exploratory Track in Education
2. Spend years 1 & 2 taking prerequisite courses, Education electives, GenEds and classes for secondary major
   - Secondary major should be declared by year 2
3. Apply to the program in January of Sophomore Year
4. If accepted, program begins Junior year and runs through Senior year with student teaching in Senior year

Prerequisites include:
HUMDEV 270, MATH 113, MATH 114 & EDUC 325
SPECIAL EDUCATION TIMELINE

**Year 1, Fall**
- Take EDUC 325 & MATH 113
- Take EDUC Diversity Elective
- Start GenEds

**Year 1, Spring**
- Take MATH 114 & HUMDEV 270
- Continue GenEds
- Start classes in secondary major
- Prepare for MTEL (Comm. & Lit. Skills)

**Year 2, Fall**
- Finish prerequisites
- Take and pass MTEL
- Continue GenEds
- Secondary major should be declared
- Prepare application materials

**Year 2, Spring**
- Apply in January
- Finish GenEds
- Continue classes in secondary major

**Years 3 & 4**
- Begin program in year 3
- Student teaching in year 4
- Graduation with B.A. and endorsement for initial license

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