SPECIAL EDUCATION
DEAF EDUCATION INITIAL LICENSURE PREPARATION - NON-DEGREE

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Description
The Special Education Deaf Education Initial Licensure Preparation non-degree program will prepare students to obtain an initial teaching license in Special Education Deaf Education (Ohio Intervention Specialist Hearing Impaired). Completion of the coursework is a prerequisite to being recommended by Kent State University for licensure, and licenses are granted by the Ohio Department of Education (see 'Licensure Information,' below).

The Special Education Deaf Education licensure preparation program is designed for individuals who have a bachelor's degree and want to teach deaf and hard-of-hearing students ages 3-21 (grades pre-K-12).

The non-degree program is not a master's degree program. If you are interested in a master's degree in Special Education from KSU in addition to licensure, you must be fully admitted into the master's program and complete the prescribed coursework on the master's degree plan of study form in addition to the courses prescribed for Licensure. Completing a master's degree in special education in addition to licensure will in most cases require an additional 15-18 credit hours.

Fully Offered At:
• Kent Campus

Admission Requirements
Applicants will be assessed holistically, considering academic credentials; standardized test scores of reading, writing and mathematics; academic or professional references; non-academic criteria; and other specific program criteria.

• Bachelor's degree from an accredited institution
• Minimum 3.000 GPA
• Official Transcripts
• Goal Statement
• Two letters of recommendation
• Questions in Anticipation of Licensure form
• Praxis Core tests in reading, writing, and mathematics

Program Learning Outcomes
Completers of this non-degree program will be able to:
1. Demonstrate knowledge of: learner development and individual learning differences; the learning environment; curricular content knowledge; assessment; instructional planning and strategies, and professional practice and collaboration.
2. Demonstrate the dispositions necessary to be a successful special education teacher/professional
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Program Requirements

Licensure Requirements
Code Title Credit
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CI 57501 TEACHING MATHEMATICS IN EARLY AND MIDDLE GRADES 3
or MCED 30002 INTEGRATED SOCIAL STUDIES AND SCIENCE IN MIDDLE CHILDHOOD 3
CI 57505 INTEGRATED SOCIAL STUDIES AND SCIENCE 3
CI 67310 THEORY AND PRACTICE IN THE TEACHING OF READING 3
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SPED 53010 FAMILY AND PROFESSIONAL COLLABORATION 3
SPED 53030 APPLIED BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS I: THEORY AND TECHNIQUES 3
SPED 53092 DEAF RESIDENTIAL SCHOOL FIELD EXPERIENCE 1
SPED 53306 FUNDAMENTALS OF AUDIOLOGY FOR STUDENTS WITH HEARING LOSS 3
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SPED 53310  LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT FOR DEAF AND HARD-OF-HEARING STUDENTS  3
SPED 53311  INSTRUCTION OF DEAF/HARD-OF-HEARING STUDENTS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS  3
SPED 53313  LITERACY ASSESSMENT AND INTERVENTION FOR DEAF/HARD-OF-HEARING STUDENTS  6
SPED 53324  CURRICULUM METHODS AND MATERIALS FOR DEAF/HARD OF HEARING STUDENTS  3
SPED 63200  INTRODUCTION TO EXCEPTIONALITIES  3
SPED 63392  PRACTICUM IN DEAF EDUCATION  3
SPED 63992  STUDENT TEACHING IN SPECIAL EDUCATION 1  8
SPED 69525  INQUIRY PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE  3
Minimum Total Credit Hours: 63

1  Student teaching is taken after completion of all licensure coursework and in conjunction with the Inquiry to Professional Practice course.

Progression Requirements
• Must maintain a minimum 3.000 overall GPA

Graduation Requirements
• Minimum 3.000 major GPA
• Minimum 3.000 overall GPA
• Successful completion of the Sign Language Proficiency Interview (SLPI) at the Intermediate level or above

Licensure Information
Candidates seeking Ohio teaching licensure are required to pass specific requirements in order to apply for licensure from the Ohio Department of Education (ODE). Students should consult the Special Education Department for specific program requirements and refer to the Ohio Department of Education - Educator Preparation website for more information on assessments specific to licensure type.