SPECIAL EDUCATION
EARLY CHILDHOOD (PK-5)
ADDITIONAL LICENSURE PREPARATION - NON-DEGREE

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Description
The Special Education Early Childhood (PK-5) Additional Licensure Preparation non-degree program will prepare students to obtain an additional Ohio Early Childhood Intervention Specialist (PK-5) license. 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 Early Childhood licensure preparation program is designed for individuals who have a current teaching license and are seeking an additional license to work with young children with diverse learning abilities in a variety of special education settings, from pre-kindergarten through grade 5.

The non-degree program is not a master's degree program. Students interested in obtaining a teaching license and a master's degree from Kent State University must also be fully admitted into the master's degree program and complete the prescribed coursework on the master’s degree prospectus, in addition to courses that are prescribed here for licensure.

Fully Offered At:
• Kent Campus

Admission Requirements
• Bachelor's degree from an accredited institution
• Minimum 3.000 GPA
• Official transcript(s)
• Goal statement
• Two letters of recommendation
• Questions in Anticipation of Licensure form
• Evidence of current 4-Year Resident Educator or 5-Year Professional State of Ohio teaching license

Program Learning Outcomes
Completers of this program will be able to:
• 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.

• Demonstrate the dispositions necessary to be successful special education teachers/professionals.
• Demonstrate preparation for the profession by successfully completing the Ohio Assessment for Educators (OAE) Special Education Ass

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Minimum Total Credit Hours: 41

Progression Requirements
• Must maintain a minimum 3.000 overall GPA

Graduation Requirements
• Minimum 3.000 major GPA
• Minimum 3.000 overall GPA
• Additional Coursework: An analysis of additional content-area coursework required at the post-undergraduate level will be completed before entering into the program, and a Plan of Study will be created based on transcript analysis and current licensure requirements by the Ohio Department of Education. A minimum B grade is required in each of these courses. This coursework would be in addition to requirements for the Early Childhood Intervention Specialist non-degree program.

Licensure Information
Prior to program completion, the candidate must demonstrate proficiencies in the following areas (including but not limited to): Data literacy and analysis, use of research and assessment data, leadership and collaboration, utilizing and supporting appropriate technology for the discipline, and application of professional dispositions, laws and policies, codes of ethics and professional standards appropriate to their field of specialization.
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.