SPECIAL EDUCATION
TRANSITION-TO-WORK
ENDORSEMENT PREPARATION
- NON-DEGREE

College of Education Health and Human Services
School of Lifespan Development and Educational Services
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**Fully Offered**
- Kent Campus

**Admission Terms**
- Fall
- Spring
- Summer

**Examples of Possible Careers***

Special education teachers, all other
- 8.5% much faster than the average
- 36,600 number of jobs
- $62,820 potential earnings

Special education teachers, kindergarten and elementary school
- 2.9% slower than the average
- 193,000 number of jobs
- $60,620 potential earnings

Special education teachers, middle school
- 2.6% slower than the average
- 84,700 number of jobs
- $61,820 potential earnings

Special education teachers, secondary school
- 3.2% about as fast as the average
- 143,000 number of jobs
- $62,320 potential earnings

Teaching assistants, except postsecondary
- 3.6% about as fast as the average
- 1,395,900 number of jobs
- $28,900 potential earnings

*Note: Source of occupation titles and labor data is from the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics' Occupational Outlook Handbook. Data comprises projected percent change in employment over the next 10 years; nation-wide employment numbers; and the yearly median wage at which half of the workers in the occupation earned more than that amount and half earned less.

**Description**
The Special Education Transition-to-Work Endorsement Preparation non-degree program is designed for special educators who wish to prepare 4th through 12th grade students with disabilities for adult life. In addition to employment, the Transition-to-Work program also addresses issues related to residential, recreational, continuing education and other outcomes experienced by adults with and without disabilities.

The Kent State Transition-to-Work endorsement leads to a single qualification applicable to all former transition roles (e.g., work study, VOSE, Option IV). For more information regarding the standards governing the endorsement, please visit Ohio's Department of Education. Coursework from a master's degree in special education may apply towards endorsement requirements; however, student must apply to and be accepted into both the endorsement program and the master's programs.

**Admission Requirements**
- Official transcript(s) from bachelor's (or most recent degree)
- Minimum overall 3.000 GPA of most recent degree completed
- Evidence of a current special education teaching license
- Interview with Transition-to-Work program coordinator
- Experience teaching students with moderate-to-intensive disabilities, or the completion of 15 credits of moderate-to-intensive coursework

**Residence Requirement Policy for Non-Degree Teacher Education Licensure/Endorsement Preparation Programs**
- Non-degree licensure (initial and additional) and endorsement programs that are a total of 15 credits or above: Students must complete 60% of the coursework at Kent State University, including the course that addresses the CAEP A.1.1 Standard as designated by the program area.
- Non-degree licensure (initial and additional) and endorsement programs that are less than 15 total credits: Students must complete 100% of the coursework at Kent State University.
- Students are permitted 6 years to complete licensure programs and 4 years to complete endorsement programs at Kent State University.
- Coursework transferred from another university cannot be more than 6 years old at the time the licensure/endorsement program is completed.
- Students who do not meet the residence requirements will not be recommended for licensure by Kent State University.
Program Requirements

Licensure Requirements

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Minimum Total Credit Hours: 15

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.