

MILD TO MODERATE SPECIAL EDUCATION - MINOR

College of Education and Human Services
 School of Lifespan Development and Educational Sciences
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About This Program

The Mild to Moderate Special Education minor provides a comprehensive understanding of how to support students with disabilities. Through coursework and practical experiences, you'll learn about topics such as behavior management and individualized education plans. Read more...

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Program Delivery

- **Delivery:**
 - In person
- **Location:**
 - Kent Campus

Admission Requirements

Admission to a minor is open to students declared in a bachelor's degree, the A.A.B. or A.A.S. degree or the A.T.S. degree (not Individualized Program major). Students declared only in the A.A. or A.S. degree or the A.T.S. degree in Individualized Program may not declare a minor. Students may not pursue a minor and a major in the same discipline.

Students declared in the Special Education major, Mild/Moderate concentration, are not permitted to declare this minor.

To declare this minor, students must have attempted a minimum 12 credit hours at Kent State and earned a minimum 2.000 overall Kent State GPA. Students who have not attempted 12 credit hours at Kent State will be evaluated for admission based on their high school GPA for new students or transfer GPA for transfer students. Transfer students who have not attempted 12 credit hours of college-level coursework at Kent State and/or other institutions will be evaluated based on both their high school GPA and college GPA.

Program Requirements

Code	Title	Credit Hours
Minor Requirements (min C grade is required in all courses)		
SPED 23000	INTRODUCTION TO EXCEPTIONALITIES	3
SPED 24000	INCLUSIVE PRACTICES	3
SPED 43010	FAMILY AND PROFESSIONAL COLLABORATION	3
SPED 43030	APPLIED BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS I: THEORY AND TECHNIQUES	3
SPED 43050	CHARACTERISTICS OF STUDENTS WITH MILD/MODERATE INTERVENTION NEEDS	3

SPED 43062	CURRICULUM METHODS MILD/MODERATE INTERVENTION	3
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Minimum Total Credit Hours: 18

Graduation Requirements

Minimum Minor GPA	Minimum Overall GPA
2.750	2.000

- Minimum C grade is required in all courses.
- Minimum 6 credit hours in the minor must be upper-division coursework (30000 and 40000 level).
- Minimum 6 credit hours in the minor must be outside of the course requirements for any major or other minor the student is pursuing.
- Minimum 50 percent of the total credit hours for the minor must be taken at Kent State (in residence).

Program Learning Outcomes

Graduates of this program will be able to:

1. Students will identify effective practices for differentiating instruction for exceptional learners.
2. Students will describe classroom management strategies to support the engagement and learning of exceptional learners.
3. Students will develop lesson plans tailored to the strengths and needs of exceptional learners in general education classroom settings.

Admission GPA for Undergraduate Students

For admissions, the College of Education and Human Services considers a student to have established a Kent State University GPA after the student has successfully completed a minimum of 12 Kent State University credit hours.

New Students and Transfer Students: Undergraduate students who have not completed a minimum of 12 Kent State University credit hours will be evaluated for admission into an academic program, advanced study and the professional phase based on their high school GPA for new students or transfer GPA for transfer students. Once a student has successfully completed a minimum of 12 Kent State University credit hours, only the student's Kent State overall GPA will be considered for admission into a program, advanced study and professional phase. Transfer applicants who have completed fewer than 12 semester credit hours of college-level coursework will be evaluated on both collegiate and high school records.

Current Students: Students who have completed 12 or more credit hours of previous college-level coursework — either at Kent State University or at another accredited institution — need an overall GPA of 2.00 or higher to declare a College of Education and Human Services major, minor or certificate unless a higher minimum GPA is specified by the program.

The following degree programs require a minimum 2.750 overall GPA for current students who have an established GPA to declare a major:

- American Sign Language/English Interpreting
- Early Childhood Education
- Integrated Language Arts
- Integrated Mathematics
- Integrated Science

- Integrated Social Studies
- Middle Childhood Education
- Physical Education, Health and Sport Exploration (only Health and Physical Education concentration or Physical Education Licensure concentration)
- Special Education

Full Description

The Mild to Moderate Special Education minor provides students with valuable knowledge related to meeting the special educational needs of students with mild to moderate disabilities in schools. Mild to moderate disabilities include learning disabilities, ADHD, emotional and behavioral disorders, mild intellectual disabilities, and autism spectrum disorders without accompanying intellectual impairment.

The minor allows students to learn effective practices for differentiating instruction, behavior management, collaboration and supporting students with mild to moderate disabilities in general education classrooms.

This minor is particularly relevant for students seeking to work in the K-12 academic environment, including those with a major or interest in education, special education, psychology, public health, sociology and human development and family studies.