

DISABILITY STUDIES AND COMMUNITY INCLUSION - MINOR

College of Education and Human Services
 School of Teaching, Learning and Curriculum Studies
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About This Program

The Disability Studies and Community Inclusion minor prepares students to be leaders in promoting greater inclusion of people with disabilities in all aspects of life and across the lifespan. The minor enhances students' knowledge and skills by preparing them to understand and comply with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA); provide services to people with disabilities in a variety of settings; and understand: the nature of disabilities, the meaning of disability in society, social, political and health implications of disability, and the methods of accommodations that aid in making society more inclusive to those who live with disabilities.

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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.

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		
CULT 26001	INTRODUCTION TO DISABILITY STUDIES	3
PSYC 21211	PSYCHOLOGY OF EVERYDAY LIFE (KSS)	3
or SOC 32570	INEQUALITY IN SOCIETIES	

CULT 46001	PRINCIPLES AND METHODS OF COMMUNITY INCLUSION	3
Minor Electives, choose from the following:		9
ANTH 48250	MEDICAL ANTHROPOLOGY	
ARTE 40192	ART EDUCATION: FOUNDATIONS AND CONCEPTS - SECONDARY (ELR)	
ARTE 41192	ART EDUCATION: FIELD EXPERIENCE (ELR) (WIC)	
BSCI 30130	HUMAN PHYSIOLOGY	
BUS 10123	EXPLORING BUSINESS	
COMM 26000	CRITICISM OF PUBLIC DISCOURSE (KHUM)	
COMM 35852	INTERCULTURAL COMMUNICATION	
COMM 45459	COMMUNICATION AND CONFLICT MANAGEMENT	
CRIM 26704	ISSUES IN LAW AND SOCIETY (KSS)	
CULT 36040	UNIVERSAL DESIGN, ACCESSIBILITY AND PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES	
DAN 27076	DANCE AS AN ART FORM (KFA)	
DAN 37010	DANCE PEDAGOGY	
DAN 37020	TEACHING DANCE AND MOVEMENT FOR NONTRADITIONAL POPULATIONS	
ENG 39895	SPECIAL TOPICS IN RHETORIC, COMPOSITION AND WRITING	
EXSC 35075	EXERCISE PROGRAMMING	
EXSC 40612	EXERCISE LEADERSHIP FOR THE OLDER ADULT	
EXSC 45065	EXERCISE TESTING	
GERO 14029	INTRODUCTION TO GERONTOLOGY (KSS)	
HDF 44020	RELATIONSHIPS AND DEVELOPMENT ACROSS ADOLESCENCE AND EMERGING ADULTHOOD	
HDF 44021	FAMILY INTERVENTION AND ADVOCACY	
PEHS 45037	ADAPTED PHYSICAL EDUCATION	
PHIL 21001	INTRODUCTION TO ETHICS (KHUM)	
PHIL 40005	HEALTH CARE ETHICS	
PLST 38003	ADMINISTRATIVE LAW AND PROCESS	
POL 40320	ETHICS AND PUBLIC POLICY	
PSYC 31532	SOCIAL PSYCHOLOGY	
PSYC 40112	PSYCHOLOGICAL DISORDERS OF CHILDHOOD AND ADOLESCENCE	
SOC 22570	UNDERSTANDING DIFFERENCES AND INEQUALITY	
SOC 22778	SOCIAL PROBLEMS (KSS)	
SOC 32400	INDIVIDUAL AND SOCIETY	
SOC 42563	SOCIOLOGY OF HEALTH AND HEALTH CARE	
SPED 23000	INTRODUCTION TO EXCEPTIONALITIES	
SPED 43030	APPLIED BEHAVIOR ANALYSIS I: THEORY AND TECHNIQUES	
SPED 43050	CHARACTERISTICS OF STUDENTS WITH MILD/MODERATE INTERVENTION NEEDS	
SPED 43051	CHARACTERISTICS OF STUDENTS WITH MODERATE/INTENSIVE INTERVENTION NEEDS	
SPED 43070	PLANNING AND PROGRAMMING FOR TRANSITIONS	
SPED 43309	INTRODUCTION TO DEAF STUDIES (ELR) (WIC)	

Minimum Total Credit Hours: 18

Graduation Requirements

Minimum Minor GPA	Minimum Overall GPA
2.000	2.000

- 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).

- Physical Education, Health and Sport Exploration (only Health and Physical Education concentration or Physical Education Licensure concentration)
- Special Education

Program Learning Outcomes

Graduates of this minor will be able to:

1. Apply the principles of inclusion of people with disabilities in community contexts from legal, theoretical, and best-practice perspectives.
2. Identify etiological, biological, psychological, and physiological aspects of various disabilities and characteristics of specific disabilities from a strengths-based approach.
3. Design, implement, and evaluate accommodations for people with disabilities to be included in community contexts using a strengths-based approach.
4. Fulfill organizational leadership roles to aid organizations.

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