

REQUIREMENTS FOR THE GRADUATE CERTIFICATE **JEANNINE RAINBOLT COLLEGE OF EDUCATION** THE UNIVERSITY OF OKLAHOMA

Academic Year
For Students Entering the Oklahoma State System for Higher Education Summer 2025 through Spring 2026

General Requirements
Minimum Total Hours 18

Program
Fundamentals of Special Education
G041
Graduate Certificate

The curriculum for this embedded certificate consists of six (6) graduate courses that are the most necessary and fundamental courses for persons who are interested in teaching individuals with disabilities but have not received their undergraduate degree or master's degree in Special Education.

CERTIFICATE REQUIREMENTS

Code	Title	Credit Hours
EDSP 5413	Characteristics & Methods in Teaching Students with Exceptionalities	3
EDSP 5143	Individual Behavior Planning in the Classroom	3
EDSP 5183	Advanced Assessment	3
EDSP 5163	Leadership & Advocacy in Special Education	3
Choose two courses from the following:		6
EDSP 5013	Evidence-Based Practices for Mathematics Instruction for Students with Disabilities	
EDSP 5093	Transition and Self-Determination	
EDSP 5213	Evidence-based Practices for Reading Instruction for Students with Disabilities	
Total Credit Hours		18

A graduate *certificate* is not a graduate *degree*. A graduate degree represents a program of independent inquiry beyond the depth of coursework alone, while a graduate certificate represents a set of courses only.

- All courses must be taken at OU. No transfer credit will apply.
- No course substitutions are permitted for graduate certificates.
- Coursework applied to a graduate certificate cannot be more than five years old as of the semester the graduate certificate is awarded.
- Students must earn a grade point average of 3.00 or higher on all coursework applied to the graduate certificate.

More information in the catalog: (<http://ou-public.courseleaf.com/rainbolt-education/educational-psychology/fundamentals-of-special-education-grad-cert/>).