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at **IUPUI**  
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OFFICE OF PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

## Certification in Mild and Intense Interventions <sup>®</sup>

With a Master's Degree in  
Special Education

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This program is designed for ALREADY LICENSED elementary or secondary teachers who want to add a license in special education. The program will be entirely online with students taking at least 4 credits each semester for 8 semesters. The program includes a sequence of courses and practicum experiences that focus on inclusive and co-teaching practices. Individuals who are currently teaching can practice in their own classrooms. Individuals who are not teaching will be helped to connect to classrooms where they can gain experience. Graduates will earn a license in mild and intense interventions as well as a Master's Degree in Special Education.

This program is not intended for teachers who want only specific courses or flexible scheduling. Participants in this online cohort must take the sequence of courses according to the program plan. Neither is the program meant for teachers who already have special education certification in mild and intense interventions. If this is your situation, we invite you to explore IUPUI's online cohort program for earning a Master's Degree in Education.

### **The IUPUI Special Education Cohort Program**

- Focus on innovation and inclusive practices that serve diverse learners with special needs
- Classroom-based practical experiences and authentic assessments
- Merged preparation for mild and intense intervention certification
- Sequenced, online courses coordinated to district school calendars
- Cohort model consisting of 20-25 students
- Taught by district practitioners and IUPUI faculty
- Urban focus with embedded practicum tied to coursework
- Designed for financial aid eligibility



### **Philosophy of the Program**

The IUPUI program prepares teachers to work with students who have mild (e.g. learning, emotional/behavior, and intellectual disabilities) or high support needs (e.g. significant and multiple disabilities) due to the impact of their disability on daily life. The program prepares practitioners who value the empowerment of individuals, the personalization of learning activities, and meaningful learning experiences in the real world.

The program will draw on the strengths of the IUPUI learning community to help teachers develop an understanding of the complexity of high quality special education in the context of urban schools. Students will also deepen their understanding of the importance of multiple perspectives, critical reflection, multiple literacies, diversity, collaboration, and inquiry. They will also explore

and generate innovative ways people with disabilities and their families can increase their success in schools, workplaces, and community settings in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

### **Commitment to the Cohort**

This online cohort program has been tailored to meet the needs of teachers in local school districts. Students who take all the courses according to the cohort sequence will meet the requirements for the special education licensures and will earn a Master’s Degree in Special Education. Students who plan to vary from the program must have approval from their academic advisor. Students who stop-out or fail to complete a course or practicum will also need to discuss their options with their academic advisor.

### **Special Education Licensing**

This program leads to licensing under Indiana licensing Rules 2002\*. Upon successful program completion and a complete license application, Mild Interventions and Intense Interventions will be added to Indiana teaching licenses and will cover the same grade levels that are on the initial license. This program is intended to add areas to existing licenses.

| Program and Teaching Areas:                                                                        | A Rules 2002 license will state: | A Rules 46-47 or license with earlier licensing rules will state: |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Mild Interventions – Learning Disabilities, Mild Disabilities and Emotional Disabilities</b>    | Mild Interventions               | Mild Disabilities & Emotionally Handicapped                       |
| <b>Intense Intervention – Emotional Disabilities, Significant Cognitive Disabilities, Moderate</b> | Intense Interventions            | Severe Disabilities                                               |

\*If you have an original license issued after June 30, 2006, it is most likely a Rules 2002 license.

## Program Sequence and Course Offerings

To be eligible for financial aid, students will need to take a minimum of 4 credits each semester. For more information regarding financial aid, please visit: <http://www.iupui.edu/~finaid/>. Please note that these courses may have “non-standard” start and end dates to coincide with the school district calendars in the fall and summer semesters.

| Semester    | Course 1                                      | Course 2                             |
|-------------|-----------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Spring 2010 | K548 (3 cr)<br>Families in School and Society | K595 (1 cr)<br>Practicum             |
| Summer 2010 | K505 (3 cr)<br>Introduction to Special Ed     | T531 (3 cr)<br>Organizational Change |
| Fall 2010   | K553 (3 cr)<br>Classroom Management           | K595 (1 cr)<br>Practicum             |
| Spring 2011 | K525 (3 cr)<br>Assessment and Instruction I   | K595 (1 cr)<br>Practicum             |
| Summer 2011 | Y520 (3 cr)<br>Strategies for Ed. Inquiry     | K510 (3 cr)<br>Assistive Technology  |
| Fall 2011   | K541 (3 cr)<br>Transition Across The Lifespan | K595 (1 cr)<br>Practicum             |
| Spring 2012 | K529 (3 cr)<br>Interagency Collaboration      | K595 (1)<br>Practicum                |
| Summer 2012 | J500 (3 cr)<br>Instruction/Curriculum         | K561 (3 cr)<br>Severe Disabilities   |
|             |                                               | K595 (1)<br>Practicum                |

## How to Apply

Prospective students interested in participating in this cohort will need to complete the IUPUI graduate application at the following URL:

<http://education.iupui.edu/soe/applying/graduate/index.aspx>.

It is mandatory that you submit official GRE scores\*, 2 letters of recommendation, a personal statement, and official transcripts to submit with your application.

\*waived for Special Education if undergraduate GPA 3.0 or higher.

## IUPUI Registration Process and Due Dates

### Spring 2010 Special Education Cohort

|   |                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
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| 1 | Collect transcripts and two letters of recommendation for graduate application. If you did NOT receive a 3.0 GPA or higher in your undergraduate program, you will also need to submit official <a href="#">GRE</a> scores.                                                                                                  |
| 2 | Complete graduate admissions ("AY") towards a Master's Degree and submit letters & transcripts: <a href="http://education.iupui.edu/soe/applying/graduate/index.aspx">http://education.iupui.edu/soe/applying/graduate/index.aspx</a> . In your application, please specify "ONLINE SPECIAL EDUCATION COHORT" in your notes. |
| 3 | Upon acceptance into program within 2-3 weeks, receive University ID from Donnella Dillon ( <a href="mailto:dmdillon@iupui.edu">dmdillon@iupui.edu</a> ) and create <a href="#">Network ID</a> .                                                                                                                             |
| 4 | <a href="#">Register</a> for spring courses via OneStart ( <a href="http://onestart.iu.edu">http://onestart.iu.edu</a> )<br>One admitted into the program, you will receive further instructions for registration.<br><b>registrar.iupui.edu</b>                                                                             |
| 5 | Login to Oncourse CL ( <a href="http://oncourse.iu.edu">http://oncourse.iu.edu</a> ) to begin online coursework. Be sure to login to OneStart ( <a href="http://onestart.iu.edu">http://onestart.iu.edu</a> ) to view and pay tuition once your course has begun.<br><b>oncourse.iu.edu</b>                                  |

If you have already taken a *graduate* course through IUPUI or IUB in the past 5 years, you will not need to complete the graduate application again. Please complete the following steps:

1. Complete your personal statement as a word document. Indicate that you have taken graduate level courses in the School of Education at IUPUI. Please also include your date of birth, and the last 4 digits of your social security number to help us access your current records. Specify you are participating in the online SPECIAL EDUCATION cohort program.

2. Request that your 2 letters of recommendation and transcript(s) are MAILED to the School of Education. Please mail to: IUPUI School of Education, Graduate Admissions, 902 W. New York Street, Indianapolis, IN 46202-5155.

Note: If you have taken the GRE (not required for those with an undergraduate GPA or 6 graduate credit hours of 3.0 or higher), please have an official score report mailed to the School of Education.



**IU School of Education, Indianapolis (36 credit hours)**  
**Special Education Master's Degree Program with Certification**

**INDIANA UNIVERSITY  
 PURDUE UNIVERSITY  
 INDIANAPOLIS**

Student Name:  
 Email:  
 Phone Number:  
 ID #:

|                                        |                                |                                                                                              |                |                      |              |  |
|----------------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------|----------------------|--------------|--|
| <b>Master's Degree Component</b>       | <b>Certification Component</b> | <b>Prerequisite*</b>                                                                         | <b>Credits</b> | <b>Semester/Year</b> | <b>Grade</b> |  |
|                                        |                                | K505 Introduction to Special Education                                                       | 3              |                      |              |  |
|                                        |                                | *This course is required for teachers with no experience or coursework in Special Education. |                |                      |              |  |
|                                        |                                | <b>Required Courses: Core (9 cr)</b>                                                         |                |                      |              |  |
|                                        |                                | J500 Instruction in the Context of Curriculum                                                | 3              |                      |              |  |
|                                        |                                | Y520 Strategies for Educational Inquiry                                                      | 3              |                      |              |  |
|                                        |                                | T531 Organizational Change in Linguistically and Diverse Schools                             | 3              |                      |              |  |
|                                        |                                | <b>Specialized Courses: Mild (15 cr)</b>                                                     |                |                      |              |  |
|                                        |                                | K548 Families in School and Society                                                          | 3              |                      |              |  |
|                                        |                                | K553 Classroom Management and Behavioral Support                                             | 3              |                      |              |  |
|                                        |                                | K510 Assistive Technology in Special Education                                               | 3              |                      |              |  |
|                                        |                                | K525 Survey of Mild Disabilities                                                             | 3              |                      |              |  |
|                                        |                                | K541 Transition Across the Lifespan                                                          | 3              |                      |              |  |
|                                        |                                | <b>Specialized Courses: Intense (6 cr)</b>                                                   |                |                      |              |  |
|                                        |                                | K561 Curriculum and Methods for Students with Severe Disabilities                            | 3              |                      |              |  |
|                                        |                                | K529 Interagency Collaboration and Behavioral Support                                        | 3              |                      |              |  |
|                                        |                                | <b>Onsite Practicum (3-6 cr)</b>                                                             |                |                      |              |  |
|                                        |                                | K595 Practicum 1: Mild Intervention                                                          | 4              | 1 cr.                |              |  |
|                                        |                                |                                                                                              |                | 1 cr.                |              |  |
|                                        |                                |                                                                                              |                | 1 cr.                |              |  |
| 1 cr.                                  |                                |                                                                                              |                |                      |              |  |
| K595 Practicum 2: Intense Intervention | 2                              | 1 cr.                                                                                        |                |                      |              |  |
|                                        |                                | 1 cr.                                                                                        |                |                      |              |  |

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### **IUPUI Resources**

IUPUI School of Education Fax  
317-274-6864

IUPUI Financial Aid  
<http://www.iupui.edu/~finaid>

Network ID and Student Accounts  
<http://www.kb.iu.edu/data/atan.html>

Technology Support (UITS)  
317-274-HELP (4357)  
ithelp@iu.edu

Software Downloads  
<http://iuware.iu.edu>

Bookstore (Barnes and Nobles Campus)  
<http://iupui.bncollege.com/>