ONLINE MASTER’S IN SECONDARY SPECIAL EDUCATION & TRANSITION

Program Details

Led by faculty who are demonstrated leaders and innovators within the field of special education, the online Master of Science in Education (M.S.E.) in Special Education with an emphasis in Secondary Special Education and Transition prepares you to meet the needs of young adults with disabilities who are making the transition to adulthood.

PROGRAM BENEFITS

• Earn an NCATE-accredited degree from the #1 Special Education department in the country\(^1\)
• Designed by Program Coordinator Dr. Mary Morningstar, Director at the Transition Coalition, a national organization dedicated to providing online information, support and professional development on topics related to transition from school to adult life for youth with disabilities
• Complete your course work anytime, anywhere through our innovative online format
• Submit your application with no GRE requirement for admission into the program

Note: This program is not intended for initial teacher licensure or certification; most students are expected to enter the program with an active teacher’s license.

PROGRAM STRUCTURE

• 10 courses taken in sequence
• 30 credits
• 8 weeks per course
• As few as two years to completion

ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

To apply to the Master’s in Secondary Special Education & Transition, your first step is to complete the online application form. Prior to starting the form, we recommend that you review our application checklist.

To be considered for admission, prospective students must have completed a bachelor’s degree with a GPA of 3.0 or greater (on a 4.0 scale). Applicants with an undergraduate GPA below 3.0 should contact an Admissions Advisor for information about provisional admissions.

Our Admissions Advisors are here to help answer your questions regarding admission requirements and licensure. If you have questions, please email us at onlineinfo@ku.edu or call us toll-free at 855-639-7799.

International applicants must meet English language proficiency requirements.

\(^1\) Retrieved on January 9, 2018 from usnews.com/best-graduate-schools/university-of-kansas-155317/overall-rankings
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FACULTY
The University of Kansas brings a rich academic tradition into the online environment. The KU School of Education is equally committed to KU’s mission of educating leaders, building healthy communities and making discoveries that change the world. Our special education faculty are at the leading edge of research and practice to improve the lives of children with special needs. They have:

• Served as leaders of and received recognition from key organizations like The Arc, the Council for Exceptional Children and the American Association on Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities
• Authored dozens of books and over 1,000 academic articles that guide research and practice worldwide
• Directed tens of millions in federal grant dollars dedicated to the field of special education

WHAT YOU’LL LEARN
• Instructional teaching strategies and the latest in applied research to ensure success for students in secondary education to transition to life outside of school
• Methods to apply effective transition models and programs within an educational setting
• A deeper understanding of the interagencies and vocational services which support the transition into adulthood

AFTER GRADUATION
The Master’s in Secondary Special Education & Transition is designed for passionate educators who are ready to take a step forward in their careers with a challenging, practice-based online master’s program. Graduates of the program work in many settings:

• Special education teachers and advisors at the secondary level in public or private schools
• Personnel in government or NGOs working in a transition services-related capacity
• Vocational evaluators at vocational services organizations