



CALIFORNIA STATE UNIVERSITY

**LONG BEACH**

College of Education

**EQUITY &  
EXCELLENCE**  
IN EDUCATION

## MASTER OF SCIENCE IN SPECIAL EDUCATION

### PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- Prepares candidates to look beyond their current positions as teachers and education-related professionals and consider leadership roles in education, policy-making and service delivery.
- Online and hybrid course offerings with some on campus course options.
- Two-year grants available to cover tuition, textbooks, and travel to conferences.
- Two pathways are offered to meet individual needs.

### Pathway 1- Credentialed Teachers

- Pathway 1 is designed for classroom teachers who have a teaching credential.
- Four post-baccalaureate credential classes (12 semester units) completed from an accredited institution may be transferred with approval into the MS SPED program, leaving only six core courses for a total of 30 semester units to complete pathway 1 of the program.
- Program may be completed in 3 semesters.

### Pathway 2- Education Professionals

- Pathway 2 is designed for individuals with a BA degree who do not have a post-baccalaureate teaching credential.
- Eight core courses are required and two elective courses for a total of 30 semester units to complete pathway 2 of the program.
- Program can be completed in 4 semesters.

### OUR GRADUATES

- Obtain leadership positions in their school districts or agencies.
- Become part-time or full-time lecturers in the CSU system or higher education.
- Pursue doctoral degrees in special education or related areas.

#### THE BASICS

- 3-4 Semesters
- 2.85 GPA required for admission
- No GRE required

#### APPLICATION PROCESS & DEADLINE

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