Special Education Teacher Certification

For post-baccalaureate students, UMM offers professional coursework leading to certification in Special Education (K-12). It is possible to complete the certification program within three semesters if all content requirements are fulfilled. Students with foreign educational credentials must submit transcripts for analysis to a credentialing agency.

Additional requirements include maintaining a GPA of 2.5 in professional coursework, and successfully passing the Educational Testing Service’s (http://www.ets.org) Praxis I Core Academic Skills for Educators and Praxis II Special Education Content exam. Passing scores are required prior to student teaching application in October or March of the semester preceding student teaching.

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Students who have already earned baccalaureate degrees and who are preparing for special education certification should take the following:

- SED 201 Dimensions of Exceptionality
- SED 320 Special Education Law
- SED 325 Assessment in Special Education
- SED 330 Mathematics in Special Education
- SED 335 Program Planning/Curriculum Adaptation
- SED 340 Communication & Collaboration
- SED 345 Behavior Strategies & Social Skill Development
- SED 370 Reading & Writing/Exceptional Student

*Select one course from:*
- SED 355 Transitional Issues/Students w/ Disabilities
- SED 362 Typical/Atypical Expressive/ Receptive Language
- SED 365 Differentiated Instructional Methods
- SED 380 Students w/Autism Spectrum Disorder

SED 490 Student Teaching