



Twin Cities Campus

Autism Spectrum Disorder Postbaccalaureate Certificate

Educational Psychology

College of Education and Human Development

Link to a [list of faculty](#) for this program.

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- Program Type: Post-baccalaureate credit certificate/licensure/endorsement
- Requirements for this program are current for Fall 2019
- Length of program in credits: 12
- This program does not require summer semesters for timely completion.
- Degree: Autism Spectrum Disorder Certificate

Along with the program-specific requirements listed below, please read the [General Information](#) section of the catalog website for requirements that apply to all major fields.

The certificate program in autism spectrum disorder (ASD) is designed to prepare teachers and related service personnel to design and deliver services to children and youth with ASD and their families. This 12-credit program provides a broad overview of major issues in ASD and specialized training in methods of assessment, intervention, and treatment evaluation. This program offers professional development opportunities for autism resource specialists, public and private social service agency staff, personnel at public and private schools, treatment facility personnel, and other human service professionals.

Program Delivery

This program is available:

- via classroom (the majority of instruction is face-to-face)

Prerequisites for Admission

The preferred undergraduate GPA for admittance to the program is 2.80.

Other requirements to be completed before admission:

International students wishing to complete the certificate must be admitted to a degree program at the University of Minnesota, Twin Cities. Graduate applicants must have a minimum 2.80 GPA in an undergraduate degree and 3.00 in graduate coursework from accredited institutions.

Special Application Requirements:

All applicants must submit the following materials: - Two letters of recommendation on letterhead stationery from individuals who can address the applicant's abilities to work in a professional context with this population - Typed goal statement - Completed online application - Transcripts from all postsecondary institutions attended or currently attending, except the University of Minnesota. For students not currently in a University of Minnesota program, transcripts must be received from the issuing school in a sealed and stamped envelope.

International applicants must submit score(s) from one of the following tests:

- TOEFL
 - Internet Based - Total Score: 79
 - Internet Based - Writing Score: 21
 - Internet Based - Reading Score: 19
 - Paper Based - Total Score: 550
- IELTS
 - Total Score: 6.5
- MELAB
 - Final score: 80

Key to [test abbreviations](#)(TOEFL, IELTS, MELAB).

For an online application or for more information about graduate education admissions, see the [General Information](#) section of the catalog website.



Program Requirements

Use of 4xxx courses towards program requirements is not permitted.

A minimum GPA of 3.00 is required for students to remain in good standing.

All coursework must be completed for the certificate. Students will have a maximum of four years to do so from the time of admission. Students must maintain a minimum 3.00 GPA in certificate coursework to remain in the program.

Required Coursework

Students must complete the following coursework (12 credits).

[EPSY 5616W](#) - Classroom Management and Behavior Analytic Problem Solving [WI] (3.0 cr)

[EPSY 5631](#) - Module 1: Introduction to Augmentative and Alternative Communication (1.0 cr)

[EPSY 5632](#) - Module 2: Evidence-based Methods for AAC Assessment and Intervention (2.0 cr)

[EPSY 5661](#) - Introduction to Autism Spectrum Disorder (3.0 cr)

[EPSY 5663](#) - Assessment and Intervention for Individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorder (3.0 cr)