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Special Education



Meet the needs of every student.

Special education provides specialized instructions to meet the unique needs of students with identified disabilities to help them reach their full potential. The demand for educators equipped to teach and empower these students has never been greater. For teachers who feel called to work with these students, Lipscomb University offers a variety of graduate programs in Special Education designed to meet the standards for the Tennessee Special Education Interventionist or Comprehensive endorsements.

Online Format

This program for licensed educators is available **fully online** with synchronous and asynchronous meeting times.

Cost

$5,000 for Interventionist add-on endorsement, $8,500 for Comprehensive add-on endorsement

Program Length

The Interventionist endorsement is **9 hours** for (grades K-8 and 6-12) and the Comprehensive endorsement is **15 hours** (grades K-12).

Why Choose Lipscomb?

The National Council on Teacher Quality recognized our graduate educator preparation among the best in the country as we continue to adapt our programs to serve tomorrow's learners.

Ready to apply?

We'd love to help you get started. Our application includes the following items:

- Completed online application
- Application fee
- Résumé
- Three Letters of Recommendation
- Official transcripts with degree conferred
- Personal statement

Scan the QR code to learn more.

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Equip yourself to empower your students.

Get real-world teaching experience. Our expert teachers will work with you through field experience so you'll be ready to lead your classroom with confidence.

Degree Options

Initial Licensure

This pathway is designed for individuals who do not have a background in education. You can complete the K-8/6-12 Interventionist license within 21 credit hours or the K-12 Comprehensive license within 27 credit hours. After completion of coursework, practical experience, and the Praxis exams, the license documentation will be filed to the state on your behalf. All of these courses also build into the degree seeking Masters of Education program.

Certificate

The Interventionist endorsement is 9 hours for (grades K-8 and 6-12) and the Comprehensive endorsement is 15 hours (grades K-12). After completion of the program and the required Praxis test, the Interventionist endorsement can be added to your current Tennessee teaching license.

Master's of Education

This 30-hour program allows you to combine the initial license coursework with a few additional courses to complete the full graduate degree. If you are a licensed educator, we have an advanced pathway that includes specialized courses in Applied Behavior Analysis and an option to also earn your ABA certificate.

Education Specialist

This 36-hour program emphasizes a comprehensive approach to special education, leadership, and research. This advanced degree includes 21-hours of the leadership core plus 15-hours of advanced special education coursework.

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