

Degree Requirements: Special Education PhD

Graduate students in the doctoral program complete coursework and other leadership training experiences in a variety of content and skill areas. Each doctoral student works with a supervisory committee comprised of faculty members from inside and outside their department to design an individualized program of study.

All programs of study must reflect the following minimum coursework requirements:

Content/Skill Area	Minimum Credits
Statistics and Other Research Tools	12
Departmental Core Courses	12
-Leadership Skills Seminar	
-Professional Issues Seminar	
-Psychosocial Issues in Disabilities	
-Research Seminar	
Professional Content (e.g., literacy) and Supervision	12
Interdisciplinary Courses (e.g., psychology)	12
Higher Education Issues and Methods	9
Supervised Teaching	5
Supervised Research	5
Dissertation Research	24

In addition to their coursework, doctoral students are also required to complete internship or service learning experiences in a variety of research sites, state agencies, and local programs serving individuals with disabilities.