# DISABILITIES MINOR

http://chhs.unh.edu/ot/interdisciplinary-disabilities-studies-minor

## Description

### About the Program

The purpose of the interdisciplinary disability minor is to prepare undergraduate students to apply their unique disciplinary skills to work with and support individuals with disabilities and their families to become fully engaged members of their communities, and to improve their quality of life. The minor also helps to prepare students to work in an interdisciplinary service delivery environment. A secondary purpose is to create a core group of interdisciplinary faculty to work collaboratively with students on issues related to disability. The 20-credit hours curriculum consists of five to eight courses including a writing-intensive course from the student’s major. The minor offers students a unique opportunity to explore disability from several vantage points, including an overview of the disability experience, societal barriers individuals face, service delivery systems, disciplinary perspectives, current research, and relevant legislation.

## Requirements

### Required Course

- One of the following courses is required from the student's major or any other disability related intensive course outside of the major with permission:
  - EDUC 750: Introduction to Exceptionality
  - OT 444: Living and Doing with Technology
  - OT 610: Occupation, Identity, Disability
  - RMP 444: Building a Culture of Peace

### Electives

Select four to seven elective courses of the following:

- COMM 536
- COMM 575: Have You Heard? The Fundamentals of Hearing and Hearing Loss
- EDUC 556: Mentoring Adolescents with Disabilities in the Transition to Work
- EDUC 750: Introduction to Exceptionality
- EDUC 754: Contemporary Issues in Developmental Disabilities
- EDUC 760: Introduction to Young Children with Special Needs
- INTR 438: A Socio-cultural Perspective on the Deaf Community
- KIN 781: Inclusion in Physical Education
- NUTR 740: Nutrition for Children with Special Needs
- OT 444: Living and Doing with Technology
- OT 610: Occupation, Identity, Disability
- OT 685: Psychosocial Disorders and Everyday Life
- OT 722: Introduction to Assistive Technology
- OT 724: Assistive Technology and Physical Disabilities
- OT 726: Assistive Technology and Sensory, Communicative, and Cognitive Disabilities
- RMP 444: Building a Culture of Peace

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Please note: Additional elective courses may be added in the future as deemed appropriate and approved by disabilities studies coordinator.

Also note: Students must achieve C- or better and a 2.00 grade-point average in courses that the minor department approves. Courses taken on a pass/fail basis may not be used for a minor. No more than 8 credits used to satisfy major requirements may be used for a minor. There is no limit on the number of overlapping credits allowed between minors. Students should declare the intent to earn a minor as early as possible and no later than the end of the junior year. During the final term, an application should be made to the dean to have the minor shown on the academic record.