

SPECIAL EDUCATION MINOR

<https://cola.unh.edu/education/program/minor/special-education>

Description

In the special education minor, you will engage in a critical examination of disability and study fundamental issues of values, purposes and practices in education systems. The concept of disability has a dual nature. It is an object of protection that recruits efforts and resources to develop all individuals' abilities, and to ensure their meaningful, full participation in society. Disability has also been a conduit for exclusion and inequity, with long-standing intersections with race, language, class and gender, among others. The minor can be combined with other majors, and provides a pathway to the Education Department's professional graduate preparation programs.

A Certification of Completion of Minor form needs to be completed at the beginning of a student's final undergraduate semester at UNH. Forms are available from the Registrar's Office or the Department of Education Office.

Requirements

A minor consists of 20 credits in Education Department courses. The specific courses required for the minor are:

Code	Title	Credits
Required Courses		
EDUC 650	Introduction to Disability in Inclusive Schools and Communities	4
EDUC 656	Advocating for Diverse and Inclusive Family-School-Community Partnerships	4
Choose one of the following: ¹		4
EDUC 751A	Inclusive Elementary Education: Literacies and Learning for Diverse Learners	
EDUC 751B	Methods of Inclusive Secondary Education: Literacies, Learning, and Transitions	
Elective Courses		
Choose two of the following:		8
EDUC 556	Peer to Peer Mentoring for Students with Disabilities ²	
EDUC 720	Educational Technology	
EDUC 745	Math with Technology in Early Education	
EDUC 760	Introduction to Young Children with Special Needs	
EDUC 761	Designing Curriculum for Inclusive, Equitable Settings for Young Children (birth-8)	
EDUC 762	Curriculum for Young Children with Special Needs: Evaluation and Program Design	
One course taken at UNH in a closely related department, such as a course from the disability studies minor from the Occupational Therapy Department.		
Total Credits		20

¹ Selection to be determined by the undergraduate major and future career interests

² May be taken twice as the content/readings are different each semester

No more than one required course or one elective may be a transfer course. A three-credit course taken transferred from another school will count for three credits at UNH, not four credits. A minor in Special Education does **NOT** lead to a teaching certification.