THE UNIVERSITY OF CONNECTICUT

TEACHER CERTIFICATION PROGRAM FOR COLLEGE GRADUATES SPECIAL EDUCATION GUIDELINES

Neag School of Education's Teacher Certification Program for College Graduates (TCPCG) in Special Education is designed to prepare college graduates for certification as teachers of Special Education (grades PK-12). College graduates who have completed or anticipate completing an accredited bachelor's degree program at this or another college or university may apply for admission to the TCPCG when their academic background includes completion of the following general education and subject area major requirements. Applicants must also apply to and be accepted by the Graduate School of the University of Connecticut to pursue a Master of Arts degree in Educational Psychology. To earn the University of Connecticut's institutional recommendation to serve as a teacher, students must successfully complete the requirements for the Master of Arts degree in Educational Psychology (Special Education concentration) and Connecticut's subject knowledge testing requirements.

Plan of Study Requirements for Special Education Certification

- 1. A bachelor's degree from a regionally-accredited institution.
- 2. GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS: General academic courses: Applicants must have 39 semester hours of coursework that meets five of six of the following areas: (1) English; (2) Natural Sciences; (3) Mathematics; (4) Social Studies; (5) Foreign Language; or (6) Fine Arts. Applicants must have a three-semester hour U.S. History survey course.
- 3. SUBJECT AREA MAJOR REQUIREMENTS: A Bachelor's degree.
- 4. PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION AND SUBJECT AREA REQUIREMENTS:

MASTER OF ARTS IN EDUCATIONAL PSYCHOLOGY

Summer Session	EDCI 5060 EDCI 5065 EPSY 5113 EPSY 5121 EPSY 5123	Social and Multicultural Foundations of Education (3) Learning Theories (3) Beginning Reading Supports for Students with Learning Difficulties (3) Developmental Foundations of Exceptionality (3) Instructional Strategies & Adaptations for Students with Special Learning Needs (3)
Fall	EPSY 5092 EPSY 5116 EPSY 5141 EPSY 5195 EPSY 5221	Internship/Practicum (3) Assessment in Special Education (3) Classroom & Behavior Management for Special Educators (3) Workshop in Special Education (Research) (3) Wise Integration of Technology (1)
Spring	EDCI 5050 EPSY 5140 EPSY 5396	Seminar I: Student Teaching Seminar (3) Transition Planning for Students with Disabilities (3) Student Teaching (9)

Total: 43 credits