

# Academic Fact Sheet

# Wayne State College

## SPECIAL EDUCATION - MILDLY MODERATELY HANDICAPPED K-12 (52 Hours)

The Special Education endorsement is administered by the Counseling and Special Education Department.

### Facts about the Program

#### *Degrees Offered:*

B.A.  
B.S.

#### *Faculty:*

Daryl Wilcox, Ed.D.

### Career Opportunities

The programs which lead to professional education degrees are designed to prepare teachers as decision makers and instructional leaders. Graduates of these programs serve as classroom and resource room teachers in various disciplines in our nation's schools.

### Scholarships and Financial Aid

Wayne State College is committed to providing a quality, affordable education for its students. There are several types of financial assistance available for Wayne State students, including grants, loans, work-study and scholarships. The aid packages are composed of money from Pell grants, SEOG grants, SSIG grants, Perkins loans, Stafford student loans, PLUS loans and a variety of scholarships. Contact the Financial Aid Office at (402) 375-7230 for further information.

The Division of Education offers several scholarships for students majoring in a program in education.

### Special Offerings

The student teaching experience is an integral part of the Special Education Endorsement and provides the students an opportunity to practice teaching skills in a classroom setting.

### Program Description

The Special Education Program is a collaborative and consultation based professional preparation program within the Education Division. This program requires each preservice teacher to have completed a program of study in (1) General Education; (2) Professional Education; and (3) Special Education Specialty Studies. The Special Education Field Endorsement, being a teacher education program, is governed by all requirements established and set forth by the Education Division.

**Philosophy:** The philosophy of the WSC Special Education Program is dedicated toward enabling exceptional learners to be teachable in regular education settings through consultative and collaborative professional education environment.

**Theme:** The WSC Teacher Education Program has established as the theme of its professional education knowledge base that preservice teachers will be prepared to relate theory and practice through inquiry, reflection and facilitation. Using the professional education knowledge base theme as an integrative core of education special education teachers, the specialty studies knowledge base theme of the WSC Special Education Program is concentrated upon distinguished professional preparation of the special educator as a precision teacher and transdisciplinary collaborator.

**Outcomes:** All WSC Special Education majors in addition to demonstrating competency in the six (6) program outcomes and nine (9) essential teaching behaviors of the professional education knowledge base will also demonstrate competency in the special Education Program knowledge base in nine (9) program outcomes and sixteen (16) essential mild/moderate exceptional learners K-12.

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**FIELD ENDORSEMENT IN SPECIAL EDUCATION  
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All WSC Special Education majors must be admitted to and retained by the WSC Teacher Education program to enroll in any 300 level or higher professional education or special education field endorsement coursework.

**NOTE:** Students must complete the requirements of each gateway before moving forward to the next part of the program.

**FRESHMAN YEAR (30 hours)**

ENG 102	Composition Skills	3
HIS 120	World History	3
	Life Science (Lab)	3
	Physical Science (Lab)	3
CNA 100	Principles of Human Communications	3
EDU 201	Introduction to Professional Education	2
SPD 151	Introduction to Special Education	3
	(pre-requisite to all other SPD classes)	
	General Education	12

**SOPHOMORE YEAR (32 hours)**

EDU 211	Child & Adolescent Development	3
MAT 210	Math for Elementary School Teachers	
SPD 252	Characteristics and Methods K-6	3
	General Education	9

**GATEWAY ONE**

**JUNIOR YEAR  
(33 hours)**

	General Education	9
SPD 402	Life Skills & Transitions (Fall only)	3
SPD 404	Measurement and Evaluation (take before SPD 331)	3

**Spring semester only**

SPD 353	Characteristics and Methods Middle/Secondary	3
SPD 430	Behavioral Intervention for the LRE	3
SPD 331	Identification and Assessment for Individual Instruction	3
SPD 361	Clinical Experience (Special Education)	6
SPD 400	Management and Decision Making Strategies for Special Education	3

\* Prerequisite SPD 252 - 3 credit hours

**GATEWAY TWO**

**SOPHOMORE YEAR continued**

EDU 216	Children's Literature	3
EDU 310	Middle/Secondary School Reading	1
EDU 321	Educational Psychology	3
EDU 322	Dev. Language Arts in Elem-Middle Schools (take with EDU 340 or 341)	3
*EDU 340	Early Reading	
	OR	
*EDU 341	Intermediate Reading	3

**SENIOR YEAR  
(30 hours)**

SPD 452	Consultation and Collaboration Practices for Exceptional Learners	3
SPD 431	Diagnosis and Prescription for Individual Instruction and Curriculum K-12	3
PED 407	Motor Perception and Adaptives for Special Populations	3
EDU 430	Literacy Assessment	3
EDU 367	Human Relations in a Multicultural Society	3
EDU 400	Secondary Schools Elective (recommend SPD 251)	3

**GATEWAY THREE**

**Last Semester**

SPD 405	Directed Teaching (K-6)	6
SPD 410	Directed Teaching (7-12)	6

**GATEWAY FOUR**

TOTAL HOURS ..... 125