

# Special Education Certificate

Certificate Number 90-522-4

## Description:

The Special Education Certificate is a twelve-credit certificate designed in conjunction with the Instructional Assistant associate degree. The Special Education certificate is applicable for both new learners and people currently working in the field with persons with exceptionalities. Courses provide an overview to special education and persons with exceptionalities, practical classroom strategies to support learning for a variety of disability areas as well as techniques for guiding and managing behavior. Courses are delivered online.

## Certificate Completers Will be Able to:

- Model inclusion and classroom strategies.
- Create learning support materials for teachers.
- Develop social skills and peer relationships.
- Support student transitions.
- Work with children with behavior challenges.
- Discuss causes and characteristics of students with a variety of exceptional needs.
- Participate in individualized education program (IEP) meetings.
- Work with students with exceptional needs.

## Curriculum

CATALOG #	DESCRIPTION	CREDITS
10-522-111 <i>Offered in: Summer 2008 Spring 2009</i>	<b>IA: Guiding &amp; Mnging Behavior...</b> guiding children's behavior to keep them safe/healthy. Includes strategies for improving behavior problems at all levels in the inclusive classroom, on the bus, the playground, and on fieldtrips.	3
10-522-107 <i>Offered in: Summer 2008 Fall 2008 Spring 2009</i>	<b>IA: Overview of Special Ed...</b> classifications of special education, K-12. Studies include causes of special needs/intervention strategies. Examines key development milestones and how they relate to physical, mental, emotional or social development of children.	3
10-522-109 <i>Offered in: Fall 2008</i>	<b>IA: Special Ed: Educate Child...</b> learners support communication, social, physical, occupational, transition and community needs of students with exceptionalities. Inclusive classroom strategies, differentiating instruction, working with challenging students, and creating teacher learning support materials.	3
10-522-124 <i>Offered in: Fall 2008 Spring 2009</i>	<b>IA: Support Students w Disab...</b> strategies to manage the learning environment proactively to prevent behavior problems and promote learning for students with developmental disabilities. (Prerequisite: 10-522-107, IA: Overview of Special Education)	3

*Certificate Total*    **12**

**For more information, please contact:** The Community & Regional Learning Services Division, (920) 498-6373, or (800) 422-NWTC, extension 6373, or contact Donna Meves, Flexible Learning Manager, (920) 498-6872, or (920) 498-5431, donna.meves@nwtc.edu