

ASD and Your Impact

For community members and undergraduate students, this certificate serves as a foundation for the pursuit of potential careers in special education or therapeutic service provision in community-based agencies. For current professionals in related fields and graduate students, the coursework provides more focused content to deepen professional practice with individuals on the autism spectrum.

Great Choice For...

- Special and general education teachers
- Childcare workers
- Job coaches
- Settings with young children
- Family members caring for individuals with ASD
- Therapists working with children in home, school, and community settings



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Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD) have become a focus of attention for the general public, families, and schools. There is growing interest in understanding ASD, developing education programs and supports, and providing opportunities for inclusion of individuals with ASD into their communities.

The Autism Spectrum Disorders Certificate is a 15-18 credit multidisciplinary certificate program which draws on courses offered by the departments of Exceptional Education, Educational Psychology, Psychology, Communication Sciences and Disorders, and Occupational Science and Technology.

The elective courses offered across the collaborating departments are related to child learning, development, behavior and communication.

Through courses, field experiences, and service learning opportunities, you will:

- Critically examine the characteristics, etiology, and prevalence of ASD and related disorders
- Learn how to work with family members of individuals with ASD
- Understand challenges with assessment, diagnosis, and intervention
- Understand the language, communication, sensory, transition, and social needs of individuals with ASD
- Understand unique ethical issues faced by families and professionals

Eligibility Requirements

Open to undergraduate, graduate, and members of the community. Current



undergraduate students must have a 2.75 GPA to pursue this certificate, and current graduate students must have a 3.0 GPA. Community members can apply for the certificate as a special student either at the graduate or undergraduate level.



Certificate Requirements

To receive the ASD certificate, students must complete 15-18 credit hours.

Students will take two required courses:

- Foundations of Autism Spectrum Disorders
- Methods for Working with Individuals with Autism

The remaining elective credits are selected in consultation with the Program Coordinator or Academic Advisor.

Undergraduate students are required to take a fieldwork course. This is optional for graduate students.

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