

INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDY OF DISABILITIES (ISD) CGS

All students must meet the Requirements for the Certificates of Graduate Study

OVERVIEW

The Certificate of Graduate Study in ISD provides education, social services, healthcare, other professionals, and individuals with disabilities and their family members, access to a cohesive and relevant course of study to enhance their education and instructional knowledge of Disability Studies. The certificate includes a total of 18 credits, 9 in core courses and 9 in approved elective courses. 2 options are offered:

1. Establish a general understanding of disabilities and of related interdisciplinary practices across disciplines;
2. Combine core courses with the focused study of a specific disability or related practice area.

SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

Requirements for Admission to Graduate Studies for the Certificate of Graduate Study

- Completed Bachelor’s Degree
- Completed Graduate College Application
- Official transcripts from each college or university where credit has been earned
- 3 letters of recommendation
- A personal statement of purpose
- A cumulative grade point average of 3.00 is recommended

Minimum Degree Requirements

The Certificate of Graduate Study in the ISD requires eighteen credits. Students admitted to the program must complete EDSP 5250/CSD 5740, and EDSP 5260, and must develop an individualized plan of study for the remaining 12 credits. Depending on the chosen field of study, students work with their graduate advisor (if applicable) and the coordinator of this certificate program to identify 12 additional credits of coursework for their degree plan.

The core courses that are required for this certificate are:

Requirement Description		Credits
EDSP 5250	Gr Culture of Disability	3
EDSP 5260	GlobalDisabilityStudies:Africa	3
Although not an exhaustive list, suggested courses include:		
CSD 6110	Intrdsc Sem Neurodev Disabil I	
CSD 6120	Intrdsc Sem Neurodev Disabil 2	
CSD 6430	Augmentative Communication	

EDFS 6050	Race, Justice, and Education	
EDSP 5100	Foundations of Special Ed	
EDSP 5130	Severe Disabil Char&Intervent	
EDSP 6130	Collaborative Consultation	
EDSP 6300	The Trauma Lens	
EDSP 6993	Independent Study	
EDFS 6010	Intro to Interdisciplinarity	
PH 6010	Public Health & Health Policy	
PH 6110	Global Public Health	
SWSS 5200	Soc Welfare Pol & Services I	
SWSS 5160	Th Found of Hum Beh&Soc Envr I	

Exception: VT LEND students taking this certificate are required to complete 3 elective courses (9 credits) and the following 3 required courses (9 credits):

Requirement Description		Credits
CSD 6110	Intrdsc Sem Neurodev Disabil I	3
CSD 6120	Intrdsc Sem Neurodev Disabil 2	3
EDSP 5250/ CSD 5740	Gr Culture of Disability	3

Additional information about this program in the ISD is available from the Certificate of Graduate Study website.