Admission Requirements

- A bachelor’s degree (regional or national accreditation) in any field; related field preferred
- Minimum undergraduate GPA required 3.0 (exceptions may be considered if close to GPA minimum)

Financial aid is available to those who qualify. If you would like to get started with the financial aid process, please fill out a Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) at http://fafsa.ed.gov using the University of Hartford school code: 001422.

Application Requirements

- Complete our online application.
- Request official transcripts from your bachelor’s degree granting school and from any graduate institution you attended. Have transcripts sent to:
  University of Hartford
  Graduate Admissions
  Online Programs, CC231
  200 Bloomfield Avenue
  West Hartford, CT 06117 USA

  Submit:
  - Two letters of recommendation from professional or academic sources
  - Application fee of $50
  - A letter of intent specifying the reasons for seeking admission
  - A résumé outlining related education and professional experience

For more information, contact us:
860.724.2846
online@hartford.edu

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Overview

The online Master of Education in Special Education prepares you to become a highly competent teaching professional—deeply knowledgeable in a range of disciplines related to the unique needs of children with disabilities, highly skilled in instruction, and proficient in sensibly collaborating with families and other educational specialists in learning systems.

The program allows you to apply your skills in new directions with an advanced focus on special education allowing for greater career advancement opportunities. Our program, however, is not designed to lead to certification; it is an advanced degree designed for those who would like to develop expertise in special education.

What sets us apart?

» **Convenience**

The online mode of instruction allows you the convenience of self-directed study-learning from the comfort of your home or office without specific or required class or login times.

» **Strong preparation in broad range of disabilities**

The rigorous academic program touches on learning disabilities, emotional and behavioral issues, and intellectual disabilities, and prepares you to teach effectively across the learning spectrum. Diverse training offers you the opportunity to work with a broad range of students, making you versatile in the workplace.

» **Project-based learning in real-world settings**

Most courses include project-based learning, in which you apply lessons learned in actual classroom settings. Guided by our experienced faculty, you will develop deeper understanding of required competencies. Experiential learning provides you with the opportunity to learn theory and apply it to actual students.

» **Research in the field**

A capstone project is required of all students in order to graduate. Spanning two semesters, this action-based research project is completed in a real-world classroom setting in collaboration with a faculty advisor.

» **Affordability**

At $540 per credit hour for the academic year, you can earn your master’s for $16,200 in tuition costs.

Program of Study

Our online MEd in Special Education consists of a minimum of 30 credit hours completed in a two-year sequence. Each of the course offerings are designed to maximize individual engagement through relevant, interactive, and collaborative instruction.

The program of study is composed of a cohesive framework of courses that are well grounded in important theoretical studies; a progressive sequence of field-based/experiential learning opportunities to allow for the application of such theoretical models in the school environment; and an integrated research requirement that serves the program’s capstone experiences.

**Courses Required (30 credits minimum)**

» EDH 501 Current Issues in Special Education: Theoretical Practice and Procedures

» EDH 502 Classroom Environment and Management

» EDH 503 Collaboration and Consultation Procedures

» EDH 504 Life Skills and Transition Strategies

» EDH 601 The Assessment Process

» EDH 602 Academic and Curricular Strategies: Reading and Writing

» EDH 603 Academic and Curricular Strategies: STEM Education

» EDH 604 Designing and Implementing Research to Practice I

» EDH 605 Integrating Technology for Learning Achievement

» EDH 606 Designing and Implementing Research to Practice II

To see course descriptions, visit hartford.edu/SpecialEd

Online MEd in Special Education —Open Enrollment

The University of Hartford is accepting application now for the online Master of Education in Special Education program. The process is easy and convenient and you can begin from any computer.

We’re ready to answer your questions and provide assistance to get you started.

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*Please note: Students who do not have an educational background or who have not taken an introductory special education course will take EDH 510: Theoretical Foundations of Children & Adults with Special Needs concurrently with their first course in the program.

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