



DELTA STATE UNIVERSITY

Delta State University is a public institution providing a comprehensive undergraduate and graduate curriculum to over 4,000 students representing all of the states and more than 20 countries. Dozens of degree programs on the undergraduate level provide educational opportunities in the Colleges of Arts and Sciences, Business, and Education and in the Robert E. Smith School of Nursing. Graduate programs on the master's, educational specialist, and doctoral levels provide advanced training in a broad range of disciplines.

Acknowledging its beginnings as a teacher's college, the University sustains excellence in teacher education while continuing to expand offerings in traditional as well as unique programs of study. From the core disciplines such as arts, humanities, and sciences, to unique programs such as Commercial Aviation, the Delta Music Institute, and the nationally-recognized Geospatial Information Technology program, the University is committed to meeting the evolving needs of the students it serves.

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

The College of Education operates collaboratively with the other colleges and schools in the university, the university staff, and outside agencies to produce professional graduates who will be effective in the field of human learning and services. The College of Education strives for a stimulating, positive environment and provides its students with professional faculty who model the professional competencies, skills, and dispositions expected of Delta State University graduates from the College of Education.

Within the College of Education, numerous degree programs exist that train professional educators to address societal, educational, and personal needs. All educator preparation programs are designed to prepare individuals to function in professional service careers. At all levels and in all areas, graduates are prepared to positively impact societal needs through their particular professional area(s) of study.

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Master of Education in

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Master of Education in SPECIAL EDUCATION ~ ONLINE

FOR GENERAL EDUCATION AND SPECIAL EDUCATION TEACHERS IN INCLUSIVE SETTINGS

OUR MISSION

The mission of the Special Education program is to recruit and train well qualified, confident, and competent teachers who will teach in inclusive settings. The program encourages advocacy for individuals with disabilities, provides public information on disabilities, and provides support to parents and school districts for implementation of best practices for inclusive teaching. Candidates are trained in scientifically-based research for differentiating instruction and in culturally responsive teaching.

AN OVERVIEW OF OUR PROGRAM

The M.Ed. in Special Education is a 30–33 hour program that prepares general education and special education teachers to work as a team to effectively teach children with mild disabilities in inclusive K–12 settings. Candidates are required to complete an internship in an inclusive special education setting. Additional course work for an endorsement in severe disabilities is available.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Undergraduate degree in any field of study (does not have to be in education)
- Undergraduate GPA of 2.5 or higher
- Must pass Praxis I by end of first semester in the program

PROFESSIONAL CONNECTIONS

Faculty in the Special Education program at Delta State have connections with the following professional organizations:

Council for Exceptional Children (CEC) • www.cec.sped.org

American Council on Rural Special Education (ACRES) • acressped.org

ACCREDITATION

Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) • www.sacscoc.org

National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) • www.ncate.org



"Participating in the Special Education Masters Program at Delta State University has enriched my educational experience with a variety of cultural perspectives and a depth of applicable content knowledge."

–CAITLIN PFAFFENBACH, LELAND, MS