# **Certificate in Transition Specialist Program**

The Transition Specialist Certificate is designed to prepare professionals with undergraduate degrees in education or related fields to teach and support individuals with disabilities as they transition from high school to adult life.

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## **Entrance Requirements:**

- o A Bachelor's Degree
- o A minimum of 2.75 overall grade point average
- Applicants for this program must have taken SPECED 406/606: Transition Programming for Students with Disabilities, or the equivalent, or have instructor permission

Note: Units earned in the Transitions Specialist Certificate Program may also count toward the Master of Science in Education Degree Program in Special Education, Professional Development emphasis.

#### **CERTIFICATE IN TRANSITION SPECIALIST PROGRAM:**

The online Transition Specialist certificate is 15 graduate credits. All credits can count toward a MSE in special education through the University of Wisconsin-Whitewater, if you are interested. The program is fully online and our department is accredited through both National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) and the Council for Exceptional Children (CEC). The online modules stress only evidenced-based interventions and courses go through an accreditation process called Quality Matters to ensure that the online access is as seamless as possible.

The courses are offered in the following rotation:

- 1. SPECED 706 TRANSITION ASSESSMENT FOR STUDENTS WITH SPECIAL NEEDS (3 credits, offered summer, odd years)
- 2. SPECED 781 SCHOOL TO ADULT LIFE TRANSITION PROGRAMMING (3 credits, offered summer, even years)
- 3. SPECED 702 ACTION RESEARCH (3 credits, offered fall, must be taken AFTER either or both 706 or 781)
- 4. SPECED 704 APPLIED ACTION RESEARCH (3 credits, offered spring or summer, must be taken AFTER 702)
- 5. SPECED 703 PROMOTING REFORM THROUGH COLLABORATIVE LEADERSHIP (3credits, offered spring)

Applying is easy. You will find both the downloadable and online application at: <a href="http://www.uww.edu/gradstudies/application.php">http://www.uww.edu/gradstudies/application.php</a>. The department does not require letters of recommendation. You do need to send in transcripts and the 56.00 application fee.

Dr. Lana Collet-Klingenberg who coordinates the program would love to chat with you more about the program. You may contact her by phone <u>262-472-5380</u> or email <u>colletkl@uww.edu</u>

The website for tuition information is <a href="https://uwwcost.uww.edu/">https://uwwcost.uww.edu/</a> The website for financial aid is <a href="http://www.uww.edu/financialaid/">http://www.uww.edu/financialaid/</a>