

INFORMATION AND APPLICATION PACKET

GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN APPLIED DISABILITIES STUDIES

Website: www.csulb.edu/collegeofeducation/graduatecertificate-applied-disabilities-studies

Contact Dr. cedgradstudies@csulb.edu with inquiries about the program:
cedgradstudies@csulb.edu

Contact the College of Education Graduate Studies Office with inquiries about the application: cedgradstudies@csulb.edu

Video conferencing is available, email cedgradstudies@csulb.edu to set up an appointment Monday-Friday 9:00am - 5:00pm

APPLICATION DEADLINES

APPLICATIONS ARE ACCEPTED ON A ROLLING BASIS THROUGHOUT THE YEAR.

PRIORITY DEADLINE IS NOVEMBER 15TH FOR STUDENTS WHO WANT TO ENROLL IN EDSP/EDSP

PROGRAM INFORMATION

The interdisciplinary Graduate Certificate in Applied Disability Studies is designed to prepare graduate students from a variety of disciplines to further their understanding of the experience of disability across the lifespan. Students will become familiar with research, advocacy, interventions, and policy that facilitate successful life outcomes for persons with disabilities.

The focus is placed on the application of the field of disability studies to enhance the preparation of graduate students to work in their chosen professional disciplines (education, healthcare, social work, counseling, gerontology, engineering, web design, psychology, technology, etc.). Through coursework and fieldwork from across Departments and Colleges in the University, students will learn to adopt a person-centered approach in their work with persons with disabilities. The certificate program consists of 12 units. Some of the 12 units required for the certificate may be met through coursework and fieldwork that is required as part of a student's graduate degree program.

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION MISSION STATEMENT

The College of Education at CSULB is a learning and teaching community that prepares professional educators and practitioners who promote equity and excellence in diverse urban settings through effective pedagogy, evidence-based practices, collaboration, leadership, innovation, scholarship, and advocacy.

PROGRAM GOALS

The Graduate Certificate Program in Applied Disability Studies at CSULB has the following goals. The program will:

1. Introduce the candidate to concepts, approaches, strategies, and experience of disability across the lifespan
2. Promote a person-centered approach to facilitating life outcomes for individuals with disabilities
3. Familiarize the candidate with legal, ethical, civil rights, self-determination, technology, and advocacy issues associated with disability

APPLICATION PROCESS

Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis throughout the year. If you have questions, please contact

PROGRAM APPLICATION PROCEDURES

The program application may be found on page 5 in this packet.

Submit program application materials to the Graduate Studies Office electronically via email to:

ced-gradstudies@csulb.edu.

The College of Education Graduate Studies Office will send you an email once we have processed your application.

Please note that this may take several days.

ADMISSION PROCESS FOR ALL APPLICANTS

PHASE 1: APPLICATION REVIEW

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FOUNDATION COURSES (6 UNITS)

- x EDSP 570 Community Inclusion: Introduction to Individuals with Disabilities (3 units) Course offered in the Spring term only
- x Select one of the following two courses
 - x EDSP 525 Advocacy and the Educational Context of Disability (3 units) Course offered in the Spring term only
 - x REC/GERN 469/569 Disability, Culture and Society: Issues and Intervention (3 units) Fieldwork (3 units)

ELECTIVES (3 UNITS)

- x Choose 3 units of electives in consultation with the Program Coordinator for the Graduate Certificate Program for Applied Disability Studies. Please visit www.csulb.edu/graduate/certificate-applied-disability-studies/programcourses for a list of approved electives. Please note that some elective courses may require prerequisites and/or may require instructor consent. This list is subject to change.

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- x Complete 3 units of clinical field experience/internship. This fieldwork will typically be a required component of the graduate degree program that you are currently pursuing. You will sign a contract ensuring that you will complete 90 hours of fieldwork with individuals with disabilities during your graduate fieldwork.



APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION

Graduate Certificate in Applied Disability Studies
California State University, Long Beach

The information on this page may be typed or handwritten.

SEMESTER

YEAR

PROGRAM APPLICATION CHECKLIST

You must provide all of the items listed below to the Graduate Studies Office (EED, Room 7).

- ^ Application for Admission (this page)
- ^ Résumé
- ^ Personal Statement (guidelines on page 6 of this packet)
- ^ Current unofficial CSULB transcript

PERSONAL INFORMATION

First Name:

Last Name:

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Other Names, if applicable (for example, maiden name):

Preferred Phone:

Alternate Phone

Email Address:

ACADEMIC EXPERIENCE

ACADEMIC INFORMATION

Name of CSULB Master's Degree Program:

Expected Semester and Year of Completion:

ACADEMIC BACKGROUND

Previous Degree(s)/Certificates Earned

Institution

Date Issued

Applicants will receive an email once their application has been processed.

My signature below certifies that I have read the program information and I am familiar with the program's goals, mission, requirements, and procedures as posted.

Applicant's Signature: _____ Date: _____

PERSONAL STATEMENT

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