This program is for individuals with elementary, middle school, secondary or special education certifications (any area) who wish to obtain a P-12 certificate in moderate to severe disabilities. A valid teaching certificate is required for entrance. The student’s progress will be continuously assessed throughout the program using established program checkpoints and portfolio entries addressing Kentucky Teacher Standards. A minimum 3.0 GPA is required for completion of this program. Individuals currently certified in LBD, IECE, and CDI with teaching experience who are participating in the Alternative Route to Moderate to Severe Disabilities Certification may apply for this program once they have their Provisional Certificate.

**Total Course Requirements** .......................... 31 hours
ADM 630 (3) Methods of Research
or EDU 639 (3) Research to Improve Student Learning
SED 607 (3) Transdisciplinary Assessment of Individuals with Moderate to Severe Disabilities
SED 608 (3) Functional Behavior Analysis
SED 609 (3) Instructional Procedures – Students with MSD
SED 602 (3) Family-Professional Partnerships
SED 603 (3) Special Education Law and Procedures
SED 614 (3) Advanced Instructional Technology
SED 631 (3) Nature and Needs of Individuals with Moderate to Severe Disabilities
SED 645 (3) Strategies for Students with Autism
SED 655 (3) Special Education Transition
SED 690 (1) Exit Seminar in Special Education

Changes in the program may occur in accordance with the MSU *Graduate Bulletin*.

**Exit Requirement: Portfolio**
Student must receive a “pass” on the eligibility portfolio presented in SED 690 which is based on activities and assignments which demonstrate competency in the Kentucky teacher standards.

**PRAXIS II**
Specialty Exams Required for Certification- Students have the following options:

**Option 1:** Education of Exceptional Students: Severe to Profound Disabilities (0544) (passing score 156) and Education of Exceptional Students: Core Content Knowledge (0353) (passing score 157) or Special Education: Core Knowledge & Applications (5354 or 0354) (passing score 151)

**Option 2:** Special Education: Core Knowledge and Severe to Profound Applications (5545 or 0545) (passing score 158)

Teacher certification requirements are subject to change. Before registering for the test(s), please refer to the Education Professional Standards Board (EPSB) website at [www.kyepsb.net](http://www.kyepsb.net) for current requirements or contact EPSB at 502-564-4606 or 888-598-7667

*See your advisor for more information*

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