

Course List



Courses listed in **GREEN** are specific to special education.

Foundations

- The First Day on the Job
- Working with Official and Immediate Supervisors
- Understanding the Many Types of Special Programs
- **Understanding Inclusion**
- **Individual Student and Program Information**
- **Paraeducator Roles and Responsibilities in Inclusive Classrooms**
- **Classroom Instructional Arrangements**
- **Assisting Students on the School Bus**

Professional and Ethical Practice

- Confidentiality
- **Confidentiality II: FERPA and HIPAA**
- Professionalism for Paraeducators
- Signs of Abuse or Neglect: What Paraeducators Need to Know
- A Look at the Impact of Poverty
- Building and Maintaining Respectful Relationships with Students
- Developing Positive Communication Skills
- Negotiation and Conflict Resolution Skills for Paraeducators
- **Communicating with Student Teams**
- **Understanding Common Concerns of Families of Individuals with Disabilities**
- **An Introduction to IDEA's 13 Areas of Disability (Part I)**
- **An Introduction to IDEA's 13 Areas of Disability (Part II)**

Health and First Aid

- Bloodborne Pathogens
- Introduction to Emergency Action Principles
- Providing Care in an Emergency

Development and Characteristics of Learners

- Characteristics of Young Adolescents
- **Characteristics of Adolescents with Disabilities**
- **Understanding Early Childhood Disabilities**
- Assisting Students in the Development of Social Skills
- **Teaching Students About the Hidden Curriculum**
- Brain-Based Learning (Part I)
- Brain-Based Learning (Part II)



Supporting Student Behavior

- Classroom and Behavior Management
- Providing Positive Behavioral Supports for Individual Students
- **Implementing and Monitoring Behavior Intervention Plans**
- Supporting Students with Attentional Concerns
- Supporting Students Who Are Noncompliant
- **Student Behavior: Noncompliance and Being Out of Seat**
- **Student Behavior: Inappropriate Language and Inappropriate Touching**
- **Student Behavior: Property Destruction and Self Injury**
- Strategies to Defuse a Defiant Student
- Managing a Student in Crisis
- Bullying Awareness, Prevention, and Intervention
- **Anxiety in Children and Teens**
- **Complex Trauma in Children**

Supporting Classroom Instruction

- **Introduction to Accommodations and Modifications**
- **Supporting Students with Accommodations and Modifications**
- **Monitoring Student Progress**
- **Taking Instructional or Behavioral Data**
- **Helping vs. Hovering: How to Avoid the "Helicopter" Effect**
- Helping Students Become Successful Readers
- Helping Struggling Readers Learn from Text
- Supporting Reading Instruction in All Content Areas (Part I)
- Supporting Reading Instruction in All Content Areas (Part II)
- Supporting Organizational Skill Development
- Helping Middle School Students Improve Organization Skills
- Assisting Students with Work Completion
- The Roles of Paraeducators in Promoting Active Learning
- Encouraging Student Response and Engagement
- What Is Response to Intervention (RtI)?
- **The Importance of Assessments in Special Education**
- **Using Discrete Trial Teaching in the Classroom**

Gifted Education

- Gifted Students: Characteristics
- Gifted Students: Assessment and Instructional Practices
- Motivating Gifted Learners

Supporting Disabilities

- Supporting Students with Specific Learning Disabilities
- Supporting Adolescents Who Have Learning Disabilities in Writing
- Supporting Students with Speech or Language Impairments
- Further Strategies for Supporting Students with Speech or Language Impairments
- Understanding ADHD and the Role of the Paraeducator
- Supporting Students with Severe Emotional Disturbance
- Understanding Mental Health Disorders
- Autism Spectrum Disorder: Essential Facts
- Autism Spectrum Disorder: Social Interactions and Skill Development
- Autism Spectrum Disorder: Communication
- Autism Spectrum Disorder: Challenging Behaviors
- Autism Spectrum Disorder: Prompting Strategies
- Implementing Visual Supports for Students with Developmental Disabilities
- Understanding Down Syndrome, Tourette Syndrome, and Fetal Alcohol Syndrome
- Providing Personal and Physical Support for Students with Physical Disabilities
- Understanding Students with Severe and/or Multiple Disabilities
- Feeding Students with Severe and Multiple Disabilities
- Supporting Students with Traumatic Brain Injuries
- Working with Students Who Are Deaf or Hard of Hearing
- Working with Students with Low Vision
- Working with Students Who Are Blind
- Welcoming Students with Visual Impairments
- Welcoming Students with Visual Impairments: Social Skills
- Welcoming Students with Visual Impairments: Orientation and Mobility
- Welcoming Students with Visual Impairments: Low Vision
- Transition: Building Skills for a Successful Adulthood
- Supporting Career Exploration for Students with Disabilities
- Community-Based Instruction

English as a Second Language

- General Understanding
- Avoiding Common Pitfalls
- Fostering a Positive and Productive Classroom Environment
- Strategies and Techniques for Student Success
- Assessing Students

Early Childhood

- Developmentally Appropriate Practices in Early Childhood
- Early Literacy
- Early Math
- Early Science

Meeting Title I Requirements

Courses marked with **TITLE I** prepare paraprofessionals to complete the Title I Compliance Assessments. All others enhance subject-based skills.

Supporting Instruction

- **TITLE I** Reading
- **TITLE I** Writing
- **TITLE I** Mathematics

Reading Skills

- **TITLE I** Narrative Texts
- **TITLE I** Informative Texts
- **TITLE I** Decoding Language and Utilizing Layout

Writing Skills

- **TITLE I** Parts of Speech and Effective Sentences
- **TITLE I** Mechanics of Writing

Mathematics Skills

- **TITLE I** Understanding the Basic Skills
- **TITLE I** Fractions, Decimals, and Percentages
- **TITLE I** Basic Algebra
- **TITLE I** Basic Geometry
- **TITLE I** Basic Data Analysis
- Basic Data Analysis II
- Algebra II: Patterns and Equations
- Algebra II: Graphing, Proportions, and Ratios
- Geometry II: Angles and Triangles
- Geometry II: Circles and Transformations
- Probability
- Properties and Integers
- Customary Systems of Measurement
- Metric Systems of Measurement
- Factors and Multiples

Science Skills

- Introduction to Earth Science: Geology and Astronomy
- Introduction to Earth Science: Meteorology and Oceanography
- Teaching the Scientific Method
- Life Science
- Geologic History
- Human Body Systems
- Life Science: Reproduction and Heredity
- Stars

