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The University Of Texas at
Tyler School of Education
EDSP 5357
Practicum in Special Education
University of Texas at Tyler –College of
Education

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Course Catalog Description:

Provides student with opportunities to experience educational programs with individuals with disabilities directly related to potential professional goals. Clinical experience provided. **Prerequisites** EDSP 5364, 5366, 5368 and EDSP 5371

Student Learning Outcomes

The following student learning outcomes are aligned with the standards as delineated by the specific learning outcomes of the Educational Diagnostician State Board for Educator Certification (SBEC) and the Council for Exceptional Children (CEC) Advanced Special Education Diagnostician Specialist Standards.

Objectives/Learning Outcomes	Standards: <u>SBEC</u> <u>CEC</u>
1. Students will demonstrate their ability to select, adapt, and develop assessments that provide accurate, useful information for making educational recommendations for learners with disabilities.	<u>Domain I)))Standard V</u> <u>Domain II)))Standard IV,VI</u> ED8K1, ED8S1, ED8S12

2. Students will demonstrate their ability to administer assessments to learners who have diverse needs and to evaluate the effects of administration procedures and modifications on assessment results and accurately interpret their results (for the purpose of enhancing knowledge about individual learners and their functioning).	<u>Domain II-Standard VI</u> ED8K1, ED8K9, ED8S3, ED8S5, ED8S10
3. Students will demonstrate their ability to use assessment information to make recommendation about educational placement, services and programming that respond to learners identified needs and enhance their educational functioning.	<u>Domain II-Standard VI</u> ED8S11
4. Students will demonstrate their ability to assess learners from diverse backgrounds and use assessment data to enhance knowledge about and instruction for these learners.	<u>Domain I-Standard VII</u> ED8S4, ED8S5, ED2K1, ED2K2
5. The student will demonstrate ability to collaborate and communicate effectively with education professionals, families, and community agencies to learners and provide them with appropriate and effective individual education plans.	<u>Domain II-Standard VI</u> <u>Domain VI-Standard III, XIII</u> ED9S1, ED10S1
6. The student will demonstrate knowledge of the roles and responsibilities of educational diagnosticians in Texas and apply this knowledge to ensure educational excellence and equity for learners with special needs.	
7. Students will demonstrate and apply professional and ethical standards for educational diagnosticians (NCED).	<u>Domain IV-Standard I, 1111</u> ACC5K1, ACC5K2, ED5K3, ACC5S1, ACC5S3

Evaluation and Grading

Practicum Due Dates (No Late Submissions Accepted)

Practicum Portfolio Item	Submission Location	Due Date
Resume	Canvas	February 2
2 Initial Placement ARDs	Canvas	No later than April 19
2 Re-Eval ARDs	Canvas	No later than April 19
1 MRD ARD	Canvas	No later than April 19
1 Transition ARD	Canvas	No later than April 19
Log of 20 hours working with Diag	Canvas	No later than April 19
2 FIEs	Canvas	No later than April 19
1 ELL FIE	Canvas	No later than April 19
1 EC/PPCD ARD	Canvas	No later than April 19
6 hours of TExES Prep	Certificate to Canvas	No later than February 9
Ethics Module	Certificate/Screenshot to Canvas	No later than April 19

Parent Guide to ARD Activity	Canvas	No later than April 19
Procedural Safeguards Activity	Canvas	No later than April 19
Section 504	Certificate/Screenshot to Canvas	No later than April 19
Dr. Ortiz ELL Video Summary	Canvas	No later than April 19
TEExES Pretest	Score to Canvas	No later than February 16
TEExES Form	1 copy to certification@uttyler.edu and 1 copy submitted to Canvas	No later than March 8 You must have scored 85% or higher on practice test to submit this form. I will send the form to you when you achieve the 85%.
TEExES Practice Test	Submit Score to Canvas	No later than March 1
Copy of TEExES Registration	Canvas	You MUST take the exam by April 3 or receive an Incomplete for your practicum. You cannot submit this until you have been approved to take the test.
Activity Log (160 hours)	Canvas	No later than April 24 <u>Your log must be signed by your mentor prior to your submission.</u>

Last Day to Drop a Course: March 30

UNIVERSITY POLICIES

UT Tyler Honor Code

Every member of the UT Tyler community joins together to embrace: Honor and integrity that will not allow me to lie, cheat, or steal, nor to accept the actions of those who do.

Students Rights and Responsibilities

To know and understand the policies that affect your rights and responsibilities as a student at UT Tyler, please follow this link:

<http://www.uttyler.edu/wellness/rightsresponsibilities.php>

Campus Carry

We respect the right and privacy of students 21 and over who are duly licensed to carry concealed weapons in this class. License holders are expected to behave responsibly and

keep a handgun secure and concealed. More information is available at <http://www.uttyler.edu/about/campus-carry/index.php>

Tobacco-Free University

All forms of tobacco will not be permitted on the UT Tyler main campus, branch campuses, and any property owned by UT Tyler. This applies to all members of the University community, including students, faculty, staff, University affiliates, contractors, and visitors. Forms of tobacco not permitted include cigarettes, cigars, pipes, water pipes (hookah), bidis, kreteks, electronic cigarettes, smokeless tobacco, snuff, chewing tobacco, and all other tobacco products. There are several cessation programs available to students looking to quit smoking, including counseling, quitlines, and group support. For more information on cessation programs please visit <http://www.uttyler.edu/tobacco-free>

Grade Replacement/Forgiveness and Census Date Policies

Students repeating a course for grade forgiveness (grade replacement) must file a Grade Replacement Contract with the Enrollment Services Center (ADM 230) on or before the Census Date of the semester in which the course will be repeated. Grade Replacement Contracts are available in the Enrollment Services Center or at <http://www.uttyler.edu/registrar>. Each semester's Census Date can be found on the Contract itself, on the Academic Calendar, or in the information pamphlets published each semester by the Office of the Registrar.

Failure to file a Grade Replacement Contract will result in both the original and repeated grade being used to calculate your overall grade point average. Undergraduates are eligible to exercise grade replacement for only three course repeats during their career at UT Tyler; graduates are eligible for two grade replacements. Full policy details are printed on each Grade Replacement Contract.

The Census Date is the deadline for many forms and enrollment actions of which students need to be aware. These include:

- Submitting Grade Replacement Contracts, Transient Forms, requests to withhold directory information, approvals for taking courses as Audit, Pass/Fail or Credit/NoCredit.
- Receiving 100% refunds for partial withdrawals. (There is no refund for these after the Census Date)
- Schedule adjustments (section changes, adding a new class, dropping without a "W" grade)
- Being reinstated or re-enrolled in classes after being dropped for non-payment
- Completing the process for tuition exemptions or waivers through Financial Aid

State-Mandated Course Drop Policy

Texas law prohibits a student who began college for the first time in Fall 2007 or thereafter from dropping more than six courses during their entire undergraduate career. This includes courses dropped at another 2-year or 4-year Texas public college or university. For purposes of this rule, a dropped course is any course that is dropped after the census date (See Academic Calendar for the specific date).

Exceptions to the 6-drop rule may be found in the catalog. Petitions for exemptions must be submitted to the Enrollment Services Center and must be accompanied by documentation of the extenuating circumstance. Please contact the Enrollment Services

Center if you have any questions.

Disability Services

In accordance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and the ADA Amendments Act (ADAAA) the University offers accommodations to students with learning, physical and/or psychiatric disabilities. If you have a disability, including non-visible disabilities such as chronic diseases, learning disabilities, head injury, PTSD or ADHD, or you have a history of modifications or accommodations in a previous educational environment you are encouraged to contact the Student Accessibility and Resources office and schedule an interview with the Accessibility Case Manager/ADA Coordinator. If you are unsure if the above criteria applies to you, but have questions or concerns please contact the SAR office. For more information or to set up an appointment please visit the SAR office located in the University Center, Room 3150 or call 903.566.7079.

Student Absence due to Religious Observance

Students who anticipate being absent from class due to a religious observance are requested to inform the instructor of such absences by the second class meeting of the semester.

Student Absence for University-Sponsored Events and Activities

If you intend to be absent for a university-sponsored event or activity, you (or the event sponsor) must notify the instructor at least two weeks prior to the date of the planned absence. At that time the instructor will set a date and time when make-up assignments will be completed.

Social Security and FERPA Statement:

It is the policy of The University of Texas at Tyler to protect the confidential nature of social security numbers. The University has changed its computer programming so that all students have an identification number. The electronic transmission of grades (e.g., via e-mail) risks violation of the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act; grades will not be transmitted electronically.

Emergency Exits and Evacuation:

Everyone is required to exit the building when a fire alarm goes off. Follow your instructor's directions regarding the appropriate exit. If you require assistance during an evacuation, inform your instructor in the first week of class. Do not re-enter the building unless given permission by University Police, Fire department, or Fire Prevention Services.

Student Standards of Academic Conduct: Disciplinary proceedings may be initiated against any student who engages in scholastic dishonesty, including, but not limited to, cheating, plagiarism, collusion, the submission for credit of any work or materials that are attributable in whole or in part to another person, taking an examination for another person, any act designed to give unfair advantage to a student or the attempt to commit such acts.

(i) "Cheating" includes, but is not limited to:

- copying from another student's test paper;
- using, during a test, materials not authorized by the person giving the test;
- failure to comply with instructions given by the person administering the test;
- possession during a test of materials which are not authorized by the person giving

the test, such as class notes or specifically designed “crib notes”. The presence of textbooks constitutes a violation if they have been specifically prohibited by the person administering the test;

- using, buying, stealing, transporting, or soliciting in whole or part the contents of an unadministered test, test key, homework solution, or computer program;
- collaborating with or seeking aid from another student during a test or other assignment without authority;
- discussing the contents of an examination with another student who will take the examination;
- divulging the contents of an examination, for the purpose of preserving questions for use by another, when the instructors has designated that the examination is not to be removed from the examination room or not to be returned or to be kept by the student;
- substituting for another person, or permitting another person to substitute for oneself to take a course, a test, or any course-related assignment;
- paying or offering money or other valuable thing to, or coercing another person to obtain an unadministered test, test key, homework solution, or computer program or information about an unadministered test, test key, home solution or computer program;
- falsifying research data, laboratory reports, and/or other academic work offered for credit;
- taking, keeping, misplacing, or damaging the property of The University of Texas at Tyler, or of another, if the student knows or reasonably should know that an unfair academic advantage would be gained by such conduct; and
- misrepresenting facts, including providing false grades or resumes, for the purpose of obtaining an academic or financial benefit or injuring another student academically or financially.

(ii) “Plagiarism” includes, but is not limited to, the appropriation, buying, receiving as a gift, or obtaining by any means another’s work and the submission of it as one’s own academic work offered for credit.

(iii) “Collusion” includes, but is not limited to, the unauthorized collaboration with another person in preparing academic assignments offered for credit or collaboration with another person to commit a violation of any section of the rules on scholastic dishonesty.

(iv) All written work that is submitted will be subject to review by SafeAssign™, available on Blackboard.

UT Tyler Resources for Students:

- UT Tyler Writing Center (903.565.5995), writingcenter@uttyler.edu, <http://www.uttyler.edu/writingcenter/>
- UT Tyler Tutoring Center (903.565.5964), tutoring@uttyler.edu, <https://www.uttyler.edu/tutoring/>
- The Mathematics Learning Center, RBN 4021, This is the open access computer lab for math students, with tutors on duty to assist students who are enrolled in early-career courses.
- UT Tyler Counseling Center (903.566.7254) <https://www.uttyler.edu/counseling/>

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND PSYCHOLOGY (CEP) VISION AND MISSION

Vision: The College of Education and Psychology is nationally recognized and respected for its academic programs and opportunities. It is a center of academic excellence, scholarly inquiry, and public service. The College prepares leaders to meet the critical challenges of the 21st Century through productive contributions to local and global communities and toward individual and cultural equity.

Mission: The mission of the College of Education and Psychology is to provide a positive environment that fosters the acquisition of knowledge and skills. The mission is individually and collectively realized through a community of scholars that contributes to knowledge through scholarly inquiry; organizes knowledge for application, understanding and communication; and provides leadership and service. We affirm and promote global perspectives that value individual and cultural diversity to enhance learning, service, and scholarship.

Code of Ethics and Standard Practices for Texas Educators

Texas Administrative Code

TITLE 19	EDUCATION
PART 7	STATE BOARD FOR EDUCATOR CERTIFICATION
CHAPTER 247	EDUCATORS' CODE OF ETHICS
RULE §247.2	<i>Purpose and Scope; Definitions</i>

(b) Enforceable Standards.

(1) Professional Ethical Conduct, Practices and Performance.

(A) ***Standard 1.1.*** The educator shall not intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly engage in deceptive practices regarding official policies of the school district, educational institution, educator preparation program, the Texas Education Agency, or the State Board for Educator Certification (SBEC) and its certification process.

(B) ***Standard 1.2.*** The educator shall not knowingly misappropriate, divert, or use monies, personnel, property, or equipment committed to his or her charge for personal gain or advantage.

(C) ***Standard 1.3.*** The educator shall not submit fraudulent requests for reimbursement, expenses, or pay.

(D) ***Standard 1.4.*** The educator shall not use institutional or professional privileges for personal or partisan advantage.

(E) ***Standard 1.5.*** The educator shall neither accept nor offer gratuities, gifts, or favors that impair professional judgment or to obtain special advantage. This standard shall not restrict the acceptance of gifts or tokens offered and accepted openly from students, parents of students, or other persons or organizations in recognition or appreciation of service.

(F) ***Standard 1.6.*** The educator shall not falsify records, or direct or coerce others to do so.

(G) ***Standard 1.7.*** The educator shall comply with state regulations, written local school board policies, and other state and federal laws.

(H) ***Standard 1.8.*** The educator shall apply for, accept, offer, or assign a

position or a responsibility on the basis of professional qualifications.

(I) **Standard 1.9.** The educator shall not make threats of violence against school district employees, school board members, students, or parents of students.

(J) **Standard 1.10** The educator shall be of good moral character and be worthy to instruct or supervise the youth of this state.

(K) **Standard 1.11.** The educator shall not intentionally or knowingly misrepresent his or her employment history, criminal history, and/or disciplinary record when applying for subsequent employment.

(L) **Standard 1.12.** The educator shall refrain from the illegal use or distribution of controlled substances and/or abuse of prescription drugs and toxic inhalants.

(M) **Standard 1.13.** The educator shall not consume alcoholic beverages on school property or during school activities when students are present.

(2) Ethical Conduct Toward Professional Colleagues.

(A) **Standard 2.1.** The educator shall not reveal confidential health or personnel information concerning colleagues unless disclosure serves lawful professional purposes or is required by law.

(B) **Standard 2.2.** The educator shall not harm others by knowingly making false statements about a colleague or the school system.

(C) **Standard 2.3.** The educator shall adhere to written local school board policies and state and federal laws regarding the hiring, evaluation, and dismissal of personnel.

(D) **Standard 2.4.** The educator shall not interfere with a colleague's exercise of political, professional, or citizenship rights and responsibilities.

(E) **Standard 2.5.** The educator shall not discriminate against or coerce a colleague on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, age, gender, disability, family status, or sexual orientation.

(F) **Standard 2.6.** The educator shall not use coercive means or promise of special treatment in order to influence professional decisions or colleagues.

(G) **Standard 2.7.** The educator shall not retaliate against any individual who has filed a complaint with the SBEC or who provides information for a disciplinary investigation or proceeding under this chapter.

(3) Ethical Conduct Toward Students.

(A) **Standard 3.1.** The educator shall not reveal confidential information concerning students unless disclosure serves lawful professional purposes or is required by law.

(B) **Standard 3.2.** The educator shall not intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly treat a student or minor in a manner that adversely affects or endangers the learning, physical health, mental health, or safety of the student or minor.

(C) **Standard 3.3.** The educator shall not intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly misrepresent facts regarding a student.

(D) **Standard 3.4.** The educator shall not exclude a student from participation in a program, deny benefits to a student, or grant an advantage to a student on the basis of race, color, gender, disability, national origin, religion, family status, or sexual orientation.

(E) **Standard 3.5.** The educator shall not intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly engage in physical mistreatment, neglect, or abuse of a student or minor.

(F) **Standard 3.6.** The educator shall not solicit or engage in sexual conduct or a

romantic relationship with a student or minor.

(G) **Standard 3.7.** The educator shall not furnish alcohol or illegal/unauthorized drugs to any person under 21 years of age unless the educator is a parent or guardian of that child or knowingly allow any person under 21 years of age unless the educator is a parent or guardian of that child to consume alcohol or illegal/unauthorized drugs in the presence of the educator.

(H) **Standard 3.8.** The educator shall maintain appropriate professional educator-student relationships and boundaries based on a reasonably prudent educator standard.

(I) **Standard 3.9.** The educator shall refrain from inappropriate communication with a student or minor, including, but not limited to, electronic communication such as cell phone, text messaging, email, instant messaging, blogging, or other social network communication. Factors that may be considered in assessing whether the communication is inappropriate include, but are not limited to:

- (i) the nature, purpose, timing, and amount of the communication;
- (ii) the subject matter of the communication;
- (iii) whether the communication was made openly or the educator attempted to conceal the communication;
- (iv) whether the communication could be reasonably interpreted as soliciting sexual contact or a romantic relationship;
- (v) whether the communication was sexually explicit; and
- (vi) whether the communication involved discussion(s) of the physical or sexual attractiveness or the sexual history, activities, preferences, or fantasies of either the educator or the student

Source Note: The provisions of this §247.2 adopted to be effective March 1, 1998, 23 TexReg 1022; amended to be effective August 22, 2002, 27 TexReg 7530; amended to be effective December 26, 2010, 35 TexReg 11242

STATE BOARD FOR EDUCATOR CERTIFICATION (SBEC) STANDARDS FOR EDUCATIONAL DIAGNOSTICIANS

Standard I: The diagnostician understands and applies knowledge of the purpose, philosophy, and legal foundations of evaluation and special education

Standard II: The educational diagnostician understands and applies knowledge of ethical and professional practices, roles, and responsibilities.

Standard III: The educational diagnostician develops collaborative relationships with families, educators, the school, the community, outside agencies, and related service personnel.

Standard IV: The educational diagnostician understands and applies knowledge of student assessment and evaluation, program planning, and instructional decision making.

Standard V: The educational diagnostician knows eligibility criteria and procedures for identifying students with disabilities and determining the presence of an educational need.

Standard VI: The educational diagnostician selects, administers, and interprets appropriate formal and informal assessments and evaluations.

Standard VII: The educational diagnostician understands and applies knowledge of ethnic, linguistic, cultural, and socioeconomic diversity and the significance of student diversity for evaluation, planning, and instruction.

Standard VIII: The educational diagnostician knows and demonstrates skills necessary for scheduling, time management, and organization.

Standard IX: The educational diagnostician addresses students' behavioral and social interaction skills through appropriate assessment, evaluation, planning, and instructional strategies.

Standard X: The educational diagnostician knows and understands appropriate curricula and instructional strategies for individuals with disabilities.

CEC ADVANCED SPECIAL EDUCATION DIAGNOSTICIAN SPECIALIST STANDARDS

Advanced Standard 1: Leadership and Policy

Special educators in advanced programs learn to use their deep understanding of the **history of special education, current legal and ethical standards, and emerging issues** to provide leadership. Special educators **promote high professional self-expectations and help others understand the needs of individuals with exceptional learning needs**. They **advocate for educational policy based on solid evidence-based knowledge** to support high quality education for individuals with exceptional learning needs. As appropriate to their role, they **advocate for appropriate resources** to ensure that all personnel involved have effective preparation. Special educators use their **knowledge of the needs of different groups in a pluralistic society** to promote evidence-based practices and challenging expectations for individuals with exceptional learning needs. They model **respect for all individuals and ethical practice**. They help to create **positive and productive work environments** and celebrate accomplishments with colleagues. They mentor others and promote high expectations for themselves, other professionals, and individuals with exceptional learning needs.

Advanced Standard 2: Program Development and Organization

Special educators apply their **knowledge of cognitive science, learning theory, and instructional technologies** to improve instructional programs. They **advocate for a continuum of program options and services** to ensure the appropriate instructional supports for individuals with exceptional learning needs. They **help design and deliver, as appropriate to their role, ongoing results oriented professional development**

designed to support the use of evidenced-based practices at all relevant organizational levels. They use their understanding of the **effects of cultural, social, and economic diversity and variations of individual development** to inform their development of programs and services for individuals with exceptional learning needs. Special educators **continuously broaden and deepen their professional knowledge, and expand their expertise with instructional technologies, curriculum standards, effective teaching strategies, and assistive technologies to support access to learning**. They use their deep understanding of how to **coordinate educational standards to the needs of individuals with exceptional learning needs** to help all individuals with exceptional learning needs to access challenging curriculum standards.

Advanced Standard 3: Research and Inquiry

Research and inquiry inform the decisions of special educators who have completed advanced programs in guiding professional practice. Special educators **know models, theories, philosophies, and research methods** that form the basis for **evidence-based practices** in special education. This knowledge includes **information sources, data collection, and data analysis strategies**. Special educators evaluate the appropriateness of **research methodologies** in relation to **practices presented in the literature**. They use educational research to **improve instructional techniques, intervention strategies, and curricular materials**. They foster an **environment supportive of continuous instructional improvement**, and engage in the **design and implementation of action research**. Special educators are able to use the **literature to resolve issues of professional practice, and help others to understand various evidence-based practices**.

Advanced Standard 4: Individual and Program Evaluation

Evaluation is critical to advanced practice of special educators. Underlying evaluation is the knowledge of **systems and theories of educational assessment and evaluation**, along with skills in the implementation of **evidence-based practices in assessment**. Effective special educators **design and implement research activities** to evaluate the effectiveness of instructional practices and, as appropriate to their role, to **assess progress toward the organizational vision, mission, and goals** of their programs. It is critical in evaluation that **nonbiased assessment procedures are used in the selection of assessment instruments, methods, and procedures** for both **programs and individuals**. With respect to evaluation of individuals, special educators prepared at the advanced level are able to **apply their knowledge and skill to all stages and purposes of evaluation** including: prereferral and screening, preplacement for special education eligibility, monitoring and reporting learning progress in the general education curriculum and other individualized educational program goals.

Advanced Standard 5: Professional Development and Ethical Practice

Special educators are guided by the professional ethics and practice standards. Special educators have responsibility for promoting the success of individuals with exceptional learning needs, their families, and colleagues. They **create supportive environments that safeguard the legal rights of students and their families**. They **model and**

promote ethical and professional practice. Special educators plan, present, and evaluate **professional development**, as appropriate to their roles, based on models that apply adult learning theories and focus on effective practice at all organizational levels. Special educators model their own commitment to continuously improving their own professional practice by **participating in professional development** themselves.

Advanced Standard 6: Collaboration

Special educators prepared at the advanced level have a deep understanding of the **centrality and importance of consultation and collaboration to the roles within special education** and use this deep understanding to **integrate services for individuals with exceptional learning needs**. They also understand the significance of the role of collaboration for both internal and external stakeholders, and **apply their skill to promote understanding, resolve conflicts, and build consensus among both internal and external stakeholders** to provide services to individuals with exceptional learning needs and their families. They possess current knowledge of research on stages and models in both collaboration and consultation and ethical and legal issues related to consultation and collaboration. Moreover, special educators prepared at the advanced level have a deep understanding of the possible interactions of language, diversity, culture and religion with contextual factors and how to **use collaboration and consultation to enhance opportunities for individuals with exceptional learning needs**.

