



# UTAH STATE UNIVERSITY

DEPARTMENT OF SPECIAL  
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## Admission Checklist for Teacher Education and Special Education

Completed	Minimum Grade/Score	Requirement
	C+	*ENGL 1010 or AP English
	C	*STAT 1040 or AP Calculus ( <i>Prerequisites to STAT 1040: Math 0900 if ACT is below 18. Math 1010 if ACT is 18-22.) You may take STAT 1040 if your ACT is 23+.</i> )
	C	*Breadth American Institutions <i>Recommended Course: USU 1300</i>
	C	*Breadth Life Science <i>Recommended Course: USU 1350</i>
	C	*Breadth Physical Science ( <b>PHYS 1200 is required</b> )
	C	*Breadth Social Science ( <b>FCHD 1500 is required</b> )
	Pass	College of Education Writing Exam <i>Offered the first five weeks of every semester in the YETC. 1<sup>st</sup> &amp; 2<sup>nd</sup> exams are free. The remediation process after the 2<sup>nd</sup> exam is \$100.</i>
	Pass	*Computer and Information Literacy Exam <a href="http://cil.usu.edu/">http://cil.usu.edu/</a>
	Pass	Special Education Math Test <i>Offered the first five weeks of every semester. Free. Make an appt with Co Brunner (435/797-3245 or <a href="mailto:cosette@cc.usu.edu">cosette@cc.usu.edu</a>) Practice test at <a href="http://sped.usu.edu/undergrad">http://sped.usu.edu/undergrad</a> under Admissions Requirements.</i>
	Take	Speech and Hearing Test <i>Sign up for an appointment through the Communicative Disorders Department. Cost \$10</i>
	Apply right before applying for admission	Background Check. Online application. Go to <a href="http://www.coe.usu.edu/deansoffice/teachereducation.php">http://www.coe.usu.edu/deansoffice/teachereducation.php</a> . Cost \$69.
	2.75	Minimum GPA on 40 attempted credit hours <i>Admission is competitive.</i>

\*Counts toward University Studies Requirements

Note: Two of the Breadth Courses must be University Studies Courses (ie USU 1300 BAI, 1350 BLS, 1320 BHU, 1330 BCA)

**Admittance to Special Education is competitive.  
Applications are due October 1 of every year.**

Application to the Special Education Major

- Must have the above requirements met
- Application is due every year by October 1. Students typically apply during their sophomore year.
- The application can be found on the Special Education Website <http://sped.usu.edu>

- Admitted students must then complete the professional education coursework during spring semester before they can begin the special education coursework
- Admission to the special education major is competitive. The minimum GPA for application is 2.75. Because of the competition, however, the students who are admitted often have a much higher GPA.
- The following factors are considered when reviewing applications:
  - Teacher education requirements met.
  - GPA
  - Documented prior experience helping people with disabilities
  - Total number of credit hours completed

If you do not have experience working with students with disabilities, you might want to consider talking to Darcie about SPED4910. This class gives you experience in local schools working with students with disabilities. You must fill out a SPED 4910 contract to be in this course.

### **Other University Study Requirements**

Date Completed	Requirement
	Breadth Humanities <i>Recommended Course: USU 1320</i>
	Breadth Creative Arts <i>Recommended Course: USU 1330</i>
	ENGL 2010
	University Depth Course (3 credits) <i>Available in 3 categories. Select one course from two separate categories.</i>
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	Communications Intensive – ELED 3000 required for all Special Education Majors
	Communications Intensive – SPED 5200 required for all Special Education Majors
	Quantitative Intensive – SPED 5010 required for all Special Education Majors