

Gifted Teacher Endorsement

The Daniel L. Goodwin College of Education

Overview

The Department of Special Education offers a Gifted Teacher Endorsement to address the needs of gifted and talented learners. This endorsement is designed for candidates who are interested in advanced preparation supporting, teaching, and guiding gifted children and their families. Coursework includes a solid foundation in the nature of giftedness, identification of the gifted, program planning, gifted curriculum, differentiated educational strategies, and program evaluation.

Credit hours required: 24 Careers

- Classroom teacher; differentiation specialist
- Gifted specialist
- Gifted coordinator
- Gifted/talented program planner for after school / summer
- Advocate for gifted children / programming
- Parent specialist with emphasis on high ability learners
- Gifted policy specialist

Program of Study

Required Courses

GIFT 450 Psychology of Individuals Who are Gifted and Talented.....	3 cr.
SPED 451 Creativity.....	3 cr.
GIFT 452 Education of Individuals Who are Gifted and Talented	3 cr.
GIFT 453 Seminar in Curriculum Methods and Materials for the Gifted.....	3 cr.
GIFT 456 Parenting & Advocacy for Individuals Who are Gifted and Talented.....	3 cr.
GIFT 458 Meeting Gifted Students' Social-Emotional Needs.....	3 cr.
GIFT 462 Identifying and Providing for Underserved Gifted Students.....	3 cr.
GIFT 459 Field Demonstration.....	3 cr.

Required for the Endorsement

8 courses with 24 semester hours of coursework; Cumulative GPA of 3.0 with no more than 2 grades of C; Successful completion of an Electronic Portfolio; Successfully passing Gifted Teacher Endorsement state test.

Admissions

Applicants must meet the general requirements for admission to the College of Graduate Studies and Research. A valid Illinois Professional Educator License is required for entry into the program.

GRE: Not required

Attending Northeastern

- Classes are offered during the late afternoon and evening hours to accommodate professionals working full-time; cohorts may be offered depending on need
- Students may attend either part-time or full-time
- Current in-state graduate tuition is less than \$425 per credit hour (tuition & fees)
- Financial support: Financial aid (loans), merit tuition scholarships

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