Studies in Special Education offer a Special Education Consultant Endorsement. Special Education Consultants are hired by school districts, AEAs and the Iowa Department of Education as programming experts to help manage services and advocate for the needs of children with disabilities. Special Education Consultants provide support to students, classroom teachers, parents and other school district staff to assist with IEP development and manage IEP implementation. This is a very challenging but also a very rewarding position.

**Shortage Area**

Special Education consultants are increasing in demand as districts and organizations work to administer programs designed for students with various disabilities.

**Requirements**

Drake University is one of the few universities in Iowa that offers this endorsement. Students pursuing this endorsement must have or be in pursuit of a Master's in Special Education. The Special Education Consultant Endorsement is a 9 credit hour endorsement.
Additional Information

Drake University also offers a Master's degree in Special Education. Our program utilizes a mix of online and face-to-face classes. The face-to-face classes meet at the Drake campus and follow an evening and/or weekend format.

Our class sizes are small to allow for personalization and in-depth look into the content and curriculum. All classes utilize a practical and engaging approach to learning and focus on meeting the diverse needs of students across the state of Iowa. In addition to a Master's degree, Drake offers a range of endorsement options.

- Instructional Strategist I (K-5 and 5-12)
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- Work Experience Coordinator
- Special Education Consultant

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Course Format

Courses offered in multiple formats to accommodate the learning style that suits you best.

Course Schedules

3 courses/9 credit hours

EDL 278 (3 credit hour hybrid or face-to-face course)
Supervision of Instruction
Hybrid:
- Jun 7, 8, 9, 14, 15, and 16
Face-to-Face:
- Jul 20-21, Jul 27-28, and Aug 3-4

SPED 278 (3 credit hour hybrid course)
Consultation and In-service Training
OnLine Portion:
- Jun 10 - Jul 17
Face to Face Portion:
- Jul 9, 10, 11, 16, and 17
- 9:30 -11:30 a.m.

EDUC 276 (3 credit hour hybrid course)
Principles of Program/Curriculum Development
Every-other Wednesday Evenings 5:30-8:20
- 8/28, 9/11, 9/25, 10/9, 10/23, 11/6 and 12/11