

Frequently Asked Questions (Graduate)

What sets Cal State Fullerton's Special Education Graduate Programs apart?

Good question! California State University, Fullerton is the only teacher-training university in Orange County accredited by the National Council on Teacher Education (NCATE), the most prestigious national accrediting organization in education. In addition, CSU Fullerton faculty members are actively involved in our neighboring schools, helping teachers and performing applied research. The department is substantive, technical, theoretical, practical, realist, and entrepreneurial.

US News and World Report has recognized our WASC-accredited online graduate program in special education as among the country's best online graduate degrees.

How do I apply to the program?

We start every spring and fall. Please check the program website and university catalog for admissions deadlines. Once you have completed your application through Cal State Apply, we will need your completed departmental application materials.

Who advises me?

Before entering the program, the Special Education Graduate Program Advisor and the instructor of SPED 501: Introduction to Graduate Studies in Special Education provides initial advisement. To request an appointment or an application, call Dr. Adrian Jung, Program Coordinator, at (657) 278-4106.

Program Schedule

This is a three-semester program plus one first summer. You will always take two or three graduate courses in your three semesters.

Can I transfer into the program with completed coursework from another university?

Due to the unique nature of this MSE Program, course equivalency with other university graduate courses is challenging. As such, transfer courses will be reviewed and approved by the department. Please check with the Special Education Graduate Program Advisor for more information.

How much does the program cost?

Tuition at CSUF is significantly lower compared to other local universities. For the Fall 2020 starting term, the total cost of the graduate program is about \$13,000. You can check the campus website Student Financial Services: <http://sfs.fullerton.edu> (select Student Fees on the left-hand tab) for the fees for this academic year.

What funding opportunities exist for graduate students in this program?

Various sources of funding are available to graduate students. Please consult the following websites for additional information:

- [CSUF Financial Aid Office](#)

What kinds of culminating experiences have students completed in the past?

In previous years, we have had students complete comprehensive examinations or projects.

How can I learn more?

To learn more about our program, view our brief YouTube video. You may also contact the Graduate Program Advisor, Dr. Adrian Jung, at ajung@fullerton.edu.