Post Baccalaureate Certification
Only Educational Diagnostician

Certification Educational Diagnostician

The certification only path for Educational Diagnostician requires 21 semester hours in education for students with disabilities and psychoeducational assessment. All coursework requires approval of the major advisor and must be completed within 6 years.

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Program 100% Online

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

*ED 5306 Assessment of Individual Intelligence
ED 5312 Advanced Survey, Exceptional Children
ED 5320 Assessment in Multi-Tiered Systems of Support
ED 5321 Foundations of Special Education Law
ED 5325 Evidenced Based Interventions for Exceptional Students

*ED 5323 Appraisal of Educational Disabilities

*ED 7318 Practicum in Special Education

# Required for degree; must be taken at Sul Ross within first 12 hours

* Instructor approval required

FOR RECOMMENDATION FOR CERTIFICATION

Course substitutions or transfers for the certification only option are not allowed. For recommendation of certification, the applicant must:

1. Complete the 21 SCH Diagnostician program, along with the 160 clock hour practicum;
2. Hold a valid Texas teaching certificate;
3. Complete a minimum of three years as Teacher of Record in a T.E.A. accredited school;
4. Pass TExES Educational Diagnostician (253) examination (see advisor for approval requirements).
5. Apply for certification and pay appropriate state fees

COURSES

ED 5323 Appraisal of Educational Disabilities (3-0). Required for educational diagnostician certification. Students will administer, score, and interpret major academic achievement tests used to identify educational disabilities, and design appropriate instruction and services. Students will examine current trends in programs designed for early identification and intervention of possible educational disabilities. Factors involved in multicultural assessment will be addressed. Prerequisite: Instructor’s approval.
ED 5306 Assessment of Individual Intelligence (3-0). Required for educational diagnostician certification. Students will administer, score, and interpret major assessment instruments used to determine eligibility and services provided through special education. Legal requirements and ethical practices will be stressed. Prerequisite: ED 5323.

ED 5312 Advanced Survey, Exceptional Children (3-0). A survey of exceptional children involving categorical identification, terminology, advocacy litigation, legislation at the national and state levels, and state guidelines, involving special populations

ED 5321 Foundations of Special Education Law (3-0). A course designed to provide an understanding of the laws governing the area of special education, focusing on current law as such as IDEA, Section 504, and ADA, as well as the legal aspects of the development and implementation of IEPs and IFSPs. Previous cases impacting special education will be examined.

ED 5320 Assessment in Multi-Tiered Systems of Support (3-0) Explain assessment and student support within a continuum of services and settings in schools and communities. Procedures for student screening; pre-referral, including Response to Intervention (RTI); referral; and eligibility will be of focus.

ED 7318 Practicum in Special Education (3-0) A course which provides field experience in special education in a TEA accredited public, private, or parochial school students spend a minimum of 160-clock hours under the supervision of school educational diagnosticians and university faculty

ED 5325 Advanced Educational Remediation (3-0) An advanced study of ways to design and implement instructional intervention for the remediation, compensation or adjustment to the exceptional learner's deficiency in order to design and implement individualized instruction programs. Additional focus on functional assessment of behavior and academic performance in order to develop positive behavioral supports as well as intervention plans.

**PROGRAM COST**

Sul Ross has one of the lowest tuition in the state. Contact the bursar’s office directly for cost

**ROLLING ADMISSION**

Start dates are available for Summer 1, Summer 2, Fall and Spring