



Master of Education

Special Education (Puerto Rico)

• CIP code 131001 • 32 credits, 5 terms full-time

• **Program approved** by the Puerto Rico Board of Postsecondary Institutions and offered in compliance with the recertification regulations of the Puerto Rico Department of Education (DEPR).

Program Description

The Special Education Teacher program prepares special education teachers and leaders to be caring and competent, with the essential and critical skills to understand how to develop and design different curricula. Graduates are prepared to become highly motivated teachers who are practitioners of educational innovation and meet the regulations for licensure of special education teachers for kindergarten through eighth grade students. Graduates are career-ready, technologically savvy, and culturally competent to advance social justice causes.

Learning Outcomes

Graduates demonstrate the necessary knowledge, skills, and values to enable their students to excel academically and socially. They understand how a moderate disability can affect progress in learning academic content in the general curriculum that their non-disabled peers learn. They understand their responsibility to provide strategies for their students to access the regular education curriculum.

Careers

Graduates are eligible to obtain the certificate to teach from pre-kindergarten through twelfth grade as full-time classroom teachers, consulting teachers, or resource room teachers.

Program for recertification by the Puerto Rico Department of Education. Prior valid Puerto Rico teacher certification in another area required.

Program and courses subject to change.

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This is a **hybrid** delivered program, with 60% of classes delivered synchronously and 40% delivered asynchronously through Canvas Learning Management System.

Courses 32 credits

All courses are offered in Spanish

ESP 594	Collab & Consultation Technq (2 credits)	Fall
ESP 695	Laws & Regulations Pertaining to Special Education	All terms
ESP 689	Theories of Typical & Atypical Human Development	All terms
ESP 602	Teaching Numerical & Geometrical Structures for Special Education K-12 Students	Spring or Summer
ESP 681	Pedagogy in Reading & Spanish Language Arts for Special Education Students	Fall or Spring
ESP 662R	Principles of Spanish Language Development Bridging Differences & Disorders	Spring or Summer
ESP 512	Inclusion & Classroom Behavior Management	Fall
ESP 607	Psycho-Educational Assessment for Teaching Exceptional Students	Summer
ESP 615	Assistive Technology: Modifying Curriculum for Diverse Learners	All terms
ESP 721R	Teaching Spanish Language Arts, Math, History and Science for K-12 Special Education Students	Fall or Spring
EIT 712	Using Educational Technology to Improve Teaching & Learning in Physical & Virtual Environments	All terms

**EIT 712 and ELE 630R are additional requirements for teacher certification under the Puerto Rico Department of Education Teacher Certification Regulation 9375 of 2022.*

All courses 3 credits except as noted.