Autism Endorsement Requirements

The following program leads to an endorsement in Autism Spectrum Disorders PK-12 from the Pennsylvania Department of Education. A student must be enrolled in a program leading to instructional certification or hold a Pennsylvania level one or higher certification in an instructional area. The following instructional areas will be considered: Art Education, Elementary Education (PreK-4), Middle Level (4-8), Library Science, Music Education, Secondary Education, Special Education, or Special Education: Vision Impairment. Both undergraduate students (TCU_AUTS) and graduate students (TCG_AUTS) can be enrolled. They should work with their primary advisor and department to be enrolled in the four-course sequence.

Note that all students must achieve 12 credits and a minimum 3.0 overall GPA to be recommended to Pennsylvania Department of Education for the endorsement.

Required Autism Endorsement Courses – 12 credits

Courses are sequential and must be taken in numerical order.

SPEE 433 Characteristics and Etiology of Autism Spectrum Disorders (3 credits)

SPEE 434 Applied Behavioral Analysis (3 credits)

SPEE 435 Assessment and Instructional Interventions for Individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorders (3 credits)

SPEE 436 Working with Individuals with Autism Spectrum Disorders and Collaborating with Family (3 credits)

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