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Certificate of Proficiency: Special Education Paraprofessional

The Certificate of Proficiency in Special Education Paraprofessional will prepare the student for an entry-level position requiring practical skills and knowledge to work with persons with disabilities in a variety of educational settings. This certificate program also supports the requirements of federal legislation that all paraprofessionals/ instructional assistants/aides in Title I schools be “highly qualified”.

In addition, the courses introduce the student to career opportunities in special education or other disability related fields and/or provide major preparation for transfer to four-year institutions to continue a course of study in special education.

Learning Outcome(s)

Upon successful completion of the requirements for this certificate, students will be able to

- Demonstrate analysis and knowledge of the personal and team roles and responsibilities of the Special Education Paraeducator in the public school which includes diagnosis and implementation strategies for students with special needs



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Certificate Requirements	Units
CNSL 118: Self Exploration and the Teaching Profession	2
EDUC 209: Roles and Responsibilities of the Special Education Paraprofessional	3
EDUC 211: Classroom Practices for Diverse Learners	3
CDEV 107: Child Growth and Development (DS1) or PSYC 157: Introduction to Child Psychology	3
CDEV 205: Introduction to Children with Special Needs	3
CDEV 206: Curriculum and Strategies for Children with Special Needs	3
TOTAL	17

Students planning to transfer to CSU Fullerton's Human Services major—Person's with Disabilities Track will receive up to 17 units of credit toward the major if they have satisfactorily completed the requirements for this certificate.