



Special Education Graduate Program Low GPA Recommendation

This advising sheet has been prepared for candidates wishing to be admitted to the Special Education graduate program for Initial Licensure but have a cumulative undergraduate grade point average of less than the required 2.8.

- Candidates must achieve a minimum GPA of 3.3 by successfully completing two courses (six credits) in Special Education (*students must earn a B+ or higher in both courses*) **and** earn a passing score on the Massachusetts Test for Educator Licensure (MTEL) of General Curriculum or appropriate subject content area to remedy a low grade point average.
- The GPA in these six credits will not be combined with the candidate's undergraduate GPA.
- Candidates must achieve a 3.3 or higher in the six credits (B+ or better).
- Upon completion of the six credits and testing requirement, a recommendation for admission will be considered.
- It is the applicant's responsibility to notify the College of Graduate Studies of completion of the Low GPA Recommendation.
- Courses may count towards degree program.

The two courses (six credits) of Special Education are:

SPED 510 Exceptional Children in the Schools

SPED 508 Strategies for Diversity

(Or others as deemed appropriate by the graduate program coordinator)

For additional information, contact the College of Graduate Studies.

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