

**Special Education Endorsement Pathways:**

Students with a Wyoming teaching license may complete one of three endorsement pathways to secure licensure in special education through the [Wyoming Professional Teaching Standards Board](#) (PTSB). Endorsement pathways include: k-6 special education, 6-12 special education, and k-12 special education.

**Course Delivery:**

All endorsement pathway courses are taught using distance delivery methods so you can enjoy the convenience of expanding your education while working full-time in your current position.

**Timing:**

Endorsement pathways may be completed in a single year of coursework (i.e., one fall, spring, and summer session). Students are encouraged to visit with their advisors to ensure the completion of all course requirements within the desired timeline.

**Course Requirements:**

Pathway	Required Coursework (Credits)
<b>K-6 Endorsement Pathway</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• EDEX 5071 - Teaching Students with Mild/Moderate Disabilities (3)</li> <li>• EDEX 5080 - Teaching Students with Severe/Low Incidence Disabilities (3)</li> <li>• EDEX 5100 - Special Education Practicum I (3)</li> <li>• EDEX 5110 - Positive Behavior Support and Management (3)</li> <li>• EDEX 5120 - Academic Instruction in Gen Ed for Students w/Disabilities (3)</li> <li>• EDEX 5250 - Assistive Technology (2)</li> <li>• EDEX 5355 - Assessment (3)</li> <li>• EDEX 5720 - Special Education Law (3)</li> <li>• Total – 23 credits</li> </ul>
<b>6-12 Endorsement Pathway</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• EDEX 5071 - Teaching Students with Mild/Moderate Disabilities (3)</li> <li>• EDEX 5080 - Teaching Students with Severe/Low Incidence Disabilities (3)</li> <li>• EDEX 5200 - Special Education Practicum II (3)</li> <li>• EDEX 5110 - Positive Behavior Support and Management (3)</li> <li>• EDEX 5120 - Academic Instruction in Gen Ed for Students w/Disabilities (3)</li> <li>• EDEX 5250 - Assistive Technology (2)</li> <li>• EDEX 5355 - Assessment (3)</li> <li>• EDEX 5260 - Transition Planning (2)</li> <li>• EDEX 5720 - Special Education Law (3)</li> <li>• Total – 25 credits</li> </ul>
<b>K-12 Endorsement Pathway</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• EDEX 5071 - Teaching Students with Mild/Moderate Disabilities (3)</li> <li>• EDEX 5080 - Teaching Students with Severe/Low Incidence Disabilities (3)</li> <li>• EDEX 5100 - Special Education Practicum I (3)</li> <li>• EDEX 5200 - Special Education Practicum II (3)</li> <li>• EDEX 5110 - Positive Behavior Support and Management (3)</li> <li>• EDEX 5120 - Academic Instruction in Gen Ed for Students w/Disabilities (3)</li> <li>• EDEX 5250 - Assistive Technology (2)</li> </ul>

- EDEX 5355 - Assessment (3)
  - EDEX 5260 - Transition Planning (2)
  - EDEX 5720 - Special Education Law (3)
  - Total – 28 credits
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### **How to join:**

To join one of the UW special education endorsement pathways, please submit an application to our graduate special education program (MA in special education), following the steps below:

#### **Step 1 - Complete Online Application:**

- Apply to UW and the School of Counseling, Leadership, Advocacy and Design through the [online application portal](#).
- When opening your application, select the semester in which you would like to begin taking courses.
- Complete the initial information page. (Once this is done, you will receive an email from the system including a link and your temporary username and password.)
- Complete all application fields and requirements.

#### **Step 2 – Upload the following required documents to the portal:**

- Current resume, outlining:
  - Education (institution, program, degree)
  - Work experiences
  - Activities/honors
  - Other relevant information
- License:
  - Copy of current Wyoming teaching license; a copy of your license application submitted to PTSB for approval; **or** a clear timeline detailing when your application will be submitted.
- Signed Memo of Understanding (found in handbook)
- Unofficial copies of transcripts (official copies should be sent to UW Admissions upon acceptance into the program *University of Wyoming Admissions; 1000 E. University Ave.; Laramie, WY 82071*)
  - **GPA requirements:**
    - Domestic Students: 3.25 or higher
      - If your GPA is lower than 3.25, please upload a letter to the application portal indicating why your GPA is lower than expected and the steps you will take to ensure you maintain a GPA of 3.25 or higher if accepted into the program.
    - International Students: TOEFL: 550 minimum written or 80 minimum online, OR IELTS: 6.5 minimum overall score

#### **Step 3 - Submit Application:**

- Pay the application fee

- Verify all required documents have been successfully uploaded to the application portal  
(see above for details)
- Agree to admissions terms
- Submit your application