

Transition Specialist Graduate Certificate

**Fully Online,
1 Night
a Week**

Receive training and support as a Transition Specialist and help students with special needs prepare for post-secondary education, employment, and independent living. Be a part of Curry College's 40-year tradition of excellence in Special Education.

In Demand in Every School System

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts urges school districts to address the complex academic, communication, social, and behavioral needs of students with disabilities, including the transition process. Be a Transition Specialist supporting students in your school, district, or within a wide variety of special education settings. Earn this endorsement, open doors to new career opportunities, and help students with disabilities become successful adults in our communities.

Finish in 11 Months

Learn together with your cohort in a fully virtual program with synchronous live classes. Complete your fieldbased experience where you work, or expand your network at one of our partner sites.

Certificate Curriculum

This 5-course certificate is completed in 1 year, taking one course at a time.

Classes are delivered in 8-week sessions fully online, with live online lectures meeting weekly.

SPE 6910	Foundations and Implementation of Transition Education and Services
SPE 6920	Individual Transition Assessment and System Evaluation
SPE 6930	Effective Collaboration with all Stakeholders
SPE 6940	Developing Transition Systems and Supports
SPE 6945	Practicum & Field-Based Experience

Required Courses – 15 Credits

Classes may also be taken individually to fulfill Professional Development requirements.

This Curry College Certificate program is designed to meet the standards, guidelines and competency requirements established by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) for Transition Specialist Endorsement and the Council for Exceptional Children (CEC).

Made for Your Budget

The tuition is \$8,370 (\$558 per credit x 15 credits).

Alumni receive a 20% discount.

A 10% tuition discount will be applied when two candidates from the same school district enroll in the Transition Specialist Certificate program; a 20% tuition discount will be applied when three or more candidates from the same school district enroll.

Admission Requirements

Note: If you do not have a teaching license, you can still enroll in this certificate program.

1. Bachelor's degree from an accredited institution
Note, no Master's degree required
2. For DESE Endorsement Track* minimum of 2 years experience under one of the following licenses or certifications:
 - At either the Initial or Professional level:
 - Teacher of Students with Moderate Disabilities (PreK-8; 5-12)
 - Teacher of Students with Severe Disabilities (All)
 - Teacher of the Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing (All)
 - Teacher of the Visually Impaired (All)
 - School Guidance Counselor
 - School Social Worker/School Adjustment Counselor
 - Rehabilitation Counselor

** DESE endorsement track involves additional hours and a practicum, along with the regular course work.*

3. Interview with Director of Graduate Studies in Education

Take the Next Steps

Application Requirements

1. Completed application
2. Current resume
3. Two professional letters of recommendation
4. Interview with Director of Graduate Education
5. Copy of your official teaching license(s) and/or certification(s)*

**For DESE Endorsement Track only*

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