



# SPECIAL EDUCATION GAP

## Certificate Prep Program

### OVERVIEW

The Special Education GAP Certificate Prep Program at Chestnut Hill College offers a pathway for certified educators to enhance their qualifications with a Special Education certification. This 18-credit hybrid program is ideal for teachers looking to broaden their expertise and career options.

### WHO SHOULD APPLY

This program is designed for:

- Educators who already have a PA teaching certification and want to add Special Education certification.
- Those who completed a PK-8 or 7-12 Special Education preparation program but did not achieve certification.

### FAQ

#### Is student teaching required?

No, this program does not include a student teaching component.

#### How long does the program take to complete?

The program can be completed in 2 to 3 semesters, depending on whether you are studying full-time or part-time.



<< Get more details on the program webpage.



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### PROGRAM BENEFITS

- **Hybrid Format:** Balance your professional and personal life with a mix of online and in-person coursework
- **PDE Certification:** Upon successful completion you will be eligible for Special Education PK-12 certification, after completing the required test(s). Our first time pass rate for that test is currently 95%
- **Tailored Coursework:** Classes are customized based on your prior certification level (PK-4 or 7-12)

### ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

- *Hold a current PA teaching certificate from the Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE)*

**OR**

- *Have previously completed a Teacher Preparation Program, including student teaching.*
  - Official transcripts required from all colleges and universities attended
  - Letters of recommendation required from academic and professional sources
  - Resume or curriculum vitae
  - Professional essay (description in online application)

*\*Once all materials are received, the Admissions committee will review the applications and invite qualified applicants for an interview.*

**SCAN HERE or visit [www.chc.edu/apply](http://www.chc.edu/apply) to begin your application**



All program details and application information applies to the 2024-2025 academic year. Subject to future change.

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