



Undergraduate Deaf and Hard of Hearing Education

■ About Our Program

The mission of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Education Program is to prepare teachers who are competent professionals with the ability to make appropriate decisions regarding the evaluation and implementation of educational programs to meet the social, emotional, and academic needs of students who are deaf or hard of hearing. The program was established in 1974 and is accredited by both the State Department of Education and NCATE. Montevallo is the only university in the state of Alabama to offer a degree in Education of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing. Upon completion of the requirements for the B.S. degree, graduates are eligible for Class B special education teacher certification in the area of deaf education.

After completing 50 hours of college credit (40 hours with General Studies), students will apply to become teacher candidates in the Teacher Education Program (TEP). Specific admission criteria are below.

■ Admission Requirements

Teacher Education Program

- 50 hours of college credit (40 hours from General Studies)
- Minimum 2.75 GPA on all work attempted in each of the following areas: professional studies, teaching field, and overall
- Completion of ED 401 with a grade of "C" or better
- Completion of COMS 101 with a grade of "C" or better
- Completion of ENG 101 and 102 with a grade of "C" or better
- Passing score on Teacher Education Program Interview
- Minimum grade of "C" on all general studies courses
- Passing score on the Basic Skills test
- Fingerprint background clearance from ALSDE.

■ Completion Requirements

In addition to meeting the above requirements, students must complete an electronic portfolio. Other departmental requirements may exist. Please check with your advisor.

■ Course Overview

Major Course Requirements:

- CSD 253: Applied Phonetics (3)
- CSD 291: Normal Language Development (3)
- SPED 297: Language Analysis (3)
- SPED 300: American Sign Language (3)
- SPED 307: Manually Coded English (3)
- SPED 320: Developing Auditory/Oral Communication with Students who are Deaf and Hard of Hearing (3)
- SPED 477: Language Development and Methods of Literacy Instruction for Deaf and Hard of Hearing (3)
- SPED 490: Psychology and Education of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing (3)
- SPED 398: Deaf Culture (3)
- CSD 411: Introduction to Audiology (3)
- EDI 461: Practicum: Deaf and Hard of Hearing (3)

Professional Studies:

- ED 401: Introduction to Teaching (1)
- EDF 330: Educational Psychology (3)
- EDF 375: School and Society (3)
- ED 447: Instructional Technology (3)
- SPED 407: Exceptional Learners in P-12 and Secondary Programs (3)
- ED 410: The Teaching of Reading (3)
- FCS 391: Child Development (3)
- SPED 476: Methods of Teaching Academic Subjects for Deaf and Hard of Hearing (3)
- SPED 482: Assessment: Deaf and Hard of Hearing (2)
- EDI 462: Internship-Deaf and Hard of Hearing (12)

■ For Additional Information

If you would like to learn more about earning a degree in this program, please contact us.

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