# Graduate Programs

## College of Education

**Degree:** Doctor of Philosophy (Ph.D.)  
**Major:** Special Education

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## Important information about applying to Graduate School:

- **Official Transcripts:** Official Transcripts and/or Official Foreign Credential Evaluations must be received from each college or university attended. For more information on how to send transcripts, please visit our website: [fau.edu/graduate/apply](http://fau.edu/graduate/apply)

- **Supporting documentation:** Supplemental documents should be uploaded as separate files as part of the online graduate application. NOTE: You will not be able to submit your application until all the supplemental materials are uploaded.

- **Conduct:** A "yes" answer to either of the conduct questions on the online application will require a written explanation. Additional information may be requested when your application is under review. Applications will not be fully processed until all conduct issues are cleared.

- **Application status:** Once your application has been submitted, you can check your application status online to ensure transcripts and test scores have been received.

- **Residency classification:** Your residency classification automatically defaults to non-Florida. After you are admitted, the residency officer will request additional documents by email if needed.

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## Application Deadlines

### Domestic Students

- **Fall:** July 1
- **Spring:** November 1
- **Summer:** April 1

### International Students

- **Fall:** February 15  
- **Spring:** July 15  
  *Temporary extension: Oct. 1*  
- **Summer:** January 15

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## Admission Requirements

### Domestic Students

- Undergraduate GPA of 3.5
- GRE test score of 148 (verbal), 144 (quantitative), and 3 (analytical writing)
- Three years teaching experience
- Masters Degree
- Interview with department required
- Original writing sample

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### International Students

- Undergraduate GPA of 3.5
- GRE test score of 148 (verbal), 144 (quantitative), and 3 (analytical writing)
- Three years teaching experience
- Masters Degree
- Interview with department required
- Original writing sample
- A course-by-course evaluation of international transcripts required; FAU will evaluate them or it must be done by a NACES member
- TOEFL score of 500 or IBT of 61; IELTS 6.0; Duolingo 90