Visual Impairment Graduate Licensure Program
Indiana State University

The Visual Impairment Graduate Licensure Program includes 16 credit hours. All courses are offered online with required face-to-face classes and weekend seminars.

**SPED 651: The Eye, Its Function and Health**—3 credits
This course introduces the anatomy and function of the eye, pathologies of the eye, and related functional and educational implications. Enrollment by program permission only. Prerequisites: None

**SPED 652: Programs and Services for Individuals with Visual Impairment**—3 credits
This course provides an overview of the rules, regulations, and procedures within the blind/low vision field and emphasizing the developmental characteristics of learners. Enrollment by program permission only. Prerequisite: None

**SPED 653: Communication Skills for Individuals with Visual Impairment**—3 credits
The course focuses on learning to read and write in literary braille and provides an introduction to Nemeth and other specialty braille codes as well as discussions on braille literacy instruction. Enrollment by program permission only. Prerequisite: None

**SPED 654: Instructional Accommodations for Individuals with Visual Impairment**—3 credits
This course includes strategies for planning, teaching, adapting and assessing curriculum in content areas for students with visual impairments, including those with other exceptionalities. Familiarity with appropriate assessment techniques along with interpretation and use of assessment results is emphasized. Enrollment by program permission only. Prerequisite: None

**SPED 655: Principles of Orientation and Mobility**—3 credits
The purpose of this course is to learn basic indoor orientation and mobility (O&M) techniques and sighted guide strategies with a focus on acquisition of pre-requisite skills for O&M. Enrollment by program permission only. Prerequisites: None

**SPED 656: Directed Experience in Visual Impairment**—1 credit
This course allows students to choose, with the approval of the course instructor, areas of study within the blind/low vision field for their experiences, providing opportunities to observe and interact with other professionals. Enrollment by program permission only. Prerequisites: None

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