



What can I do with my Major?

COMPREHENSIVE SPECIAL EDUCATION

SAMPLE JOB TITLES

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[Special Education Teacher, Preschool](#)
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UConn RESOURCES

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[Learning Disabilities Association of America](#)
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OVERVIEW OF MAJOR

A special education teacher provides instruction to students with disabilities. A special education teacher must also plan lessons, meet with parents and faculty members, complete paperwork, and attend to other tasks as they arise. The University of Connecticut's Special Education program offers programs at the bachelor's, master's, sixth year, and doctoral levels. The university offers an Integrated Bachelor's/Master's program in which a candidate completes both a bachelor's and master's degree in a five-year period.

NATURE OF WORK

Special education teachers are trained in one or more subject areas. They provide academic instruction as well as instruction in life skills. An individual teaching special education must help his or her students to get along with others, develop social skills, and learn study skills. They may work with students from preschool through high school. Their students may have learning disabilities; autism; brain damage; visual, hearing, or speech impairments; or a combination of other factors. Special education teachers help to create and implement Individual Education Programs that are made to fit each student's individual learning style and abilities.

