

COLLEGE	College of Community Innovation and Education
PROGRAM	Prekindergarten Disabilities, Graduate Certificate

The University of Central Florida is committed to providing clear and accurate information to current and prospective students to help inform career planning. The UCF program identified above prepares students to practice in a field with professional licensure or certification available. However, specific licensure and certification requirements can and often do vary by state ¹. Requirements typically include earning a degree or other educational credential in the field from an institution and program that meet certain eligibility requirements in that state (e.g., curricular requirements, accredited status, approval by the state licensing board); passing a state or national exam; working in the field for a minimum period of time; and/or completing a certain number of clinical hours. If your career plans include pursuing professional licensure or certification in your chosen field, it is important to become educated on the credentialing requirements of the state in which you hope to practice.

UCF Program Preparation in the State of Florida

The above-named UCF graduate certificate program meets the educational requirements for certification endorsement in Prekindergarten Disabilities in the State of Florida. Individuals who have a bachelor's or higher degree with certification in any exceptional student education area, preschool education, primary education, prekindergarten/primary education, elementary education (K-6), or early childhood education can add the Prekindergarten Disabilities endorsement to their Florida professional teaching certificate. We advise you to review additional Florida Department of Education certification requirements available here²: https://www.fldoe.org/teaching/certification/

UCF Program Preparation in Other US States

As a member of the National Council for State Authorization Reciprocity Agreements (NC-SARA), UCF is authorized to offer educational programs in all states (except California), the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the US Virgin Islands. The state of California is not currently a member of NC-SARA, but UCF is authorized to offer educational programming there as well.

We are currently unable to determine whether or not the above-named program meets the educational requirements for graduates to be eligible to apply for licensure or certification in any additional states.

¹ Following 34 CFR 600.2, a state is defined as a State of the Union, American Samoa, the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, the District of Columbia, Guam, the Virgin Islands, the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands, the Republic of the Marshall Islands, the Federated States of Micronesia, and the Republic of Palau.

² As required by 38 USC 3679(f)(1)(A)(ix)

If you have an interest in pursuing licensure or certification outside the state of Florida, we advise you to determine whether or not this program meets the educational requirements for graduates to be eligible to apply in that location. State licensing board contact information for this field can be found here: https://apq.ucf.edu/document/statelicensingboards-teachered. You are also welcome to reach out to the UCF program contact identified below with questions in this regard, and we will do our best to assist you in your career planning.

UCF Program Preparation Outside the United States

This disclosure does not address program eligibility in countries outside the United States. We are unable to determine whether or not the above-named degree program meets the educational requirements for graduates to be eligible to apply for licensure or certification outside the United States. Again, it is important to become educated on the credentialing requirements in the location in which you hope to practice.

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