

REHABILITATION PSYCHOLOGY AND SPECIAL EDUCATION

The Department of Rehabilitation Psychology and Special Education is dedicated to enhancing the lives of individuals with disabilities and their families. As the only department on campus solely focused on this mission, it prepares students to advocate for the full inclusion of people with disabilities across the lifespan.

The undergraduate programs in Rehabilitation Psychology and Special Education equip students with the knowledge, skills, and experience necessary to support individuals with disabilities across various settings—whether in schools, workplaces, or community-based environments.

The department offers the following undergraduate programs:

- Rehabilitation Psychology (<https://guide.wisc.edu/undergraduate/education/rehabilitation-psychology-special-education/rehabilitation-psychology-bse/>) (pre-professional track)
- Special Education (<https://guide.wisc.edu/undergraduate/education/rehabilitation-psychology-special-education/special-education-bse/>), with certification options for:
 - Kindergarten-Grade 12 (<https://guide.wisc.edu/undergraduate/education/rehabilitation-psychology-special-education/special-education-bse/special-education-special-education-cross-categorical-K-12-bse/>)
 - Birth-Grade 3 (<https://guide.wisc.edu/undergraduate/education/rehabilitation-psychology-special-education/special-education-bse/special-education-early-childhood-special-education-birth-grade-3-bse/>)
 - Birth-Grade 12 (<https://guide.wisc.edu/undergraduate/education/rehabilitation-psychology-special-education/special-education-bse/special-education-early-childhood-special-education-special-education-dual-certification-birth-grade-12-bse/>)
- Elementary Education and Special Education (<https://guide.wisc.edu/undergraduate/education/rehabilitation-psychology-special-education/elementary-education-special-education-bse/>) – a joint program with the Department of Curriculum and Instruction, leading to certifications in both Special Education (K-12) and Elementary Education (K-9)

Additionally, the department offers a Disability Rights and Services Certificate (<https://guide.wisc.edu/undergraduate/education/rehabilitation-psychology-special-education/disability-rights-services-certificate/>), available to students pursuing other majors across campus.