

SPECIAL EDUCATION, BSE

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SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAM ADVISING

Students not yet admitted to Special Education meet with their assigned advisor in the School of Education Student Services office, Room 139 Education Building, 1000 Bascom Mall (see below). An additional departmental advisor will be assigned once admitted to the professional component of the degree program.

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION ADVISING

Academic Advising in the School of Education

Dedicated to supporting and promoting student success, academic advisors (<https://advising.education.wisc.edu/>) are here to assist students with the adjustment to college, understanding their degree and career goals, and connecting them to resources. Advisors support prospective and current School of Education students in all programs through:

- Course selection
- Mentoring and advocacy for underrepresented and international students
- Understanding degree requirements and progression
- Interpreting academic policies
- Helping students recognize their strengths and suggesting ways to expand their skills
- Expanding learning through activities such as study abroad, volunteering/work/internship, and by assuming leadership roles

Advising appointments are available in person, virtually, or over the phone. Current students schedule appointments through the Starfish app (<https://advising.wisc.edu/facstaff/starfish/starfish-student-resources/>) in MyUW. Appointments can also be made by calling 608-262-1651, or in person in Room 139 Education Building.

Academic Dean Support (<https://advising.education.wisc.edu/academic-dean-support/>) staff are also here for you when facing academic or personal challenges. We provide undergraduate School of Education students support, problem-solving, advocacy, resources, and approve exceptions to policies.

Career Advising in the School of Education

Through individual appointments, events, courses, and online resources, the Career Center provides students and alumni with the tools needed to be successful in their career development.

Career and Internship Advisors are prepared to help students with:

- Exploration of career and academic pathways (<https://careercenter.education.wisc.edu/explore-career/>)
- Resumes
- Cover letters
- Job/Internship search
- Interview preparation

- Mock interviews
- Graduate school search, applications and decisions
- Negotiating job or internship offers
- Professional networking
- Connecting with employers

Students are encouraged to meet with their Career and Internship Advisor early in their college experience to take full advantage of the resources and support available.

To make an appointment: log into Starfish (<https://wisc.starfishsolutions.com/starfish-ops/>) from the MyUW dashboard.

For more information, visit the School of Education Career Center website (<https://careercenter.education.wisc.edu/>) or reach out at career-center@education.wisc.edu.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES

Students interested in special education may also want to consult the following resources:

- Read about the relationship between Special Education and regular education programs (<https://www.cec.sped.org/Policy-and-Advocacy/CEC-Professional-Policies/Special-Education-in-the-Schools/>).
- Watch a Video (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2XsaK3pWyll>) describing the work of Special Educators.