Interested in Earning a Teaching License in Special Education?
Wondering How to Finance Your Education?

The University of Oregon has received 2 U.S. Department of Education grants to **support tuition** to prepare students, who have an interest in:

1. Teaching students with low-incidence disabilities (Project STEP)
   - This two-year licensure and endorsement program prepares pre-service teachers to work with students with moderate to severe intellectual disability (including those with autism) ages 3-21 in elementary and middle/high school.
   
   Or

2. Teaching secondary students with intensive support needs (Project HI-TEKS)
   - This two-year licensure and endorsement program prepares pre-service or in-service teachers with a specialty in secondary transition to work with secondary students with intensive support needs.

**Requirements:**

- Complete all requirements for special educator license
- Complete 1 of 2 practicum experiences and student teaching with (a) students with low-incidence disabilities (STEP), or (b) secondary students with intensive support needs (HI-TEKS). Also counts toward license requirements
- Complete required coursework (6 credits [STEP]; 8 credits [HI-TEKS]) that can apply towards master’s degree
- Complete competencies focused on low-incidence disabilities (STEP) or secondary transition to prepare youth with intensive support needs for post-school life (HI-TEKS)

Graduates of each program will be prepared to apply for an initial special education teaching license and endorsement across multiple levels making this a highly flexible option.

**The Application Deadline is February 15, 2016**

- Apply to University of Oregon Special Education Program. Application available online at [https://education.uoregon.edu/special-education-ma/admissions](https://education.uoregon.edu/special-education-ma/admissions) and complete the HI-TEKS or STEP application [https://education.uoregon.edu/special-education/student-funding](https://education.uoregon.edu/special-education/student-funding) and submit with SPED application
- Contact Valerie L. Mazzotti (vmazzott@uoregon.edu; Project HI-TEKS) or Wendy Machalicek (wmachali@uoregon.edu; Project STEP)

*These funds will only cover in-state tuition rate and do not cover non-instructional fees, stipends, or books. Students from out of state are eligible, but need to cover the difference in tuition rates. Acceptance of these funds are federal personnel preparation funds and will require that you meet a service obligation to teach or work with students with disabilities for 2.66 years for the four terms of tuition support you receive.*