



Department of Special Education
 Connie L. Lurie College of Education, San Jose State University
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**Master of Arts in Education, Concentration: Special Education
 Program Application**

Submit completed application packet to the Department of Special Education, Sweeney Hall 204, or mail to the address shown above.

Consideration of admission to this MA program is based on evaluation of multiple criteria (including: Graduate Admission's evaluation of your online application, and official transcripts which determine whether you qualify for SJSU admission (minimum 3.0 GPA); Passing the Department's MA Writing Assessment; Receiving a Certificate of Clearance through CTC; Review of materials included in this application packet; Applicant interview).

Term for which you are applying:

_____ Semester _____ Year

Have you previously applied to this Department?

Yes ____ **No** ____

Print Clearly

SJSU ID Number: _____

_____ Last Name _____ First Name _____ MI

_____ Social Security Number _____ Date of Birth

_____ Mailing Address

_____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code

(_____) _____ (_____) _____
 Area Code Best daytime number to reach you Area Code Alternate phone number

_____ Primary Email Address _____ Alternate Email Address

Which, if any, California credentials do you hold? _____

- Indicate: Emergency Clear
 Preliminary Life

- Fields: Education Specialist (Specify Area: MM MS ECSE)
 Multiple Subjects
 Single Subjects

Penal Code Section 11166 requires medical practitioners, teachers, other education personnel, and other persons working with children to report any known or suspected instances of child abuse to a child protective agency as soon as possible. Please sign to indicate that you are now aware of this Penal Code Section and will comply with its provisions.

 Signature

 Date



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Plagiarism Tutorial and Test

All candidates must complete the SJSU plagiarism tutorial and test prior to submitting the Department Master application. Please follow the directions below.

1. Read San Jose State University's policy on Academic Integrity.
<http://www.sjsu.edu/senate/S07-2.htm>
2. Complete the tutorial and test found on the following link:
<http://tutorials.sjlibrary.org/tutorial/plagiarism/index.htm>
3. Click on *SJSU Students - First Time* and register.
4. Go through and complete the tutorial and pass with a 90% or better.
5. Print a copy of the score and attach to application packet.

I have completed the Tutorial, understand what plagiarism is, and agree to follow the policy regarding plagiarism. A printed copy of my score sheet is attached.

Candidate's Signature

Date

Self-Assessment Dispositions Evaluation

Candidate's Full Name: _____

Candidate: Complete the "Initial Evaluation" section of this form (listing Evidences), and a Rating (1-5) for each, using the Rating Scale provided at the bottom of page. Submit this with the Department MA Application. NOTE: You will complete the "Final Evaluation" section at the end of the program.

Initial Self-Evaluation	Date: _____	Rating 1-5	Evidence
	1. I show commitment to ethical conduct: fairness, honesty, responsibility, compassion, collaboration, and collegiality.		
	2. I show commitment as a change agent to equity and social justice: I recognize and oppose social injustice in self, institution, and professional environments.		
	3. I systematically and regularly reflect on my practice with an aim toward continuous improvement and lifelong learning.		
	4. I manifest the belief that every person can learn to use his/her heart and mind well; values diversity and accepts responsibility to facilitate learning for all students.		
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**Master of Arts Degree in Education, Concentration in Special Education
Recommendation Letter & Form**

Candidate's Name: _____
Print Last Name First MI

The candidate named above is applying for admission to the Master of Arts Degree in Education, concentration in Special Education. One of the criteria on which candidates are admitted to the program is successful work experience.

- Use the back side of this form to evaluate this candidate based on your observation of him/her in a work setting (paid or volunteer), or as an integral part of coursework. If a skill/behavior/disposition has not been observed, circle N/O (Not Observed).
- Please provide the requested information about yourself below.
- Please attach a written a letter (on official letterhead, if applicable) that highlights your first-hand observation of this candidate's strengths and experiences in a work or learning environment.
- Submit this form together with your written letter of recommendation. Thank you for your assistance in helping us to better evaluate this candidate for admission consideration to this MA degree program.

Print Your Full Name Your Signature

Your Position (Job Title, Employing Agency)

Work Address

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Area Code Telephone Number Email Address

All records, including recommendations are kept by San Jose State University in accordance with the requirements of the Family and Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974 which allows students access to their records. (P.L. 93-380, Section 513).



**Master of Arts Degree in Education, Concentration in Special Education
 Recommendation Form**

Candidate's Name: _____
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Rating Scale

Inadequate	Weak	Satisfactory	Strong	Outstanding	Not Observed
1	2	3	4	5	N/O
If a skill/behavior/disposition has not been observed, circle Not Observed (N/O).					

- To what degree does the candidate have the potential to *master the knowledge* base required to be an effective special educator and/or consultant?

1 2 3 4 5 N/O

- To what degree does the candidate show a *commitment to ethical conduct* (honesty, fairness, responsibility, compassion, collaboration, and collegiality)?

1 2 3 4 5 N/O

- To what degree does the candidate show a *commitment to equity and social justice* (recognition of the opposition to social injustice in themselves, their institutions and professional environments)?

1 2 3 4 5 N/O

- To what degree does the candidate show a commitment to *reflective practice and life long learning* (the candidate systematically and regularly reflects on practice with an aim toward improvement)?

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- To what degree does the candidate demonstrate the belief that every person can learn to use his/her heart and mind well (candidate values diversity and accepts responsibility to facilitate learning for all students)?

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- To what degree does the candidate demonstrate:

 - Leadership _____ 1 2 3 4 5 N/O
 - Self-Confidence _____ 1 2 3 4 5 N/O
 - Resourcefulness _____ 1 2 3 4 5 N/O
 - Expressive Ability _____ 1 2 3 4 5 N/O
 - Motivation _____ 1 2 3 4 5 N/O
 - Judgment/Common Sense _____ 1 2 3 4 5 N/O
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For Special Education Office Use Only: **Score: /60 points**



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We encourage you to browse through our Department website for current orientation dates, application deadlines and Department updates: <http://www.sjsu.edu/specialed>

Checklist

(Hold on to this checklist to keep track of steps you have completed.)

Date

- Attend a scheduled MA Orientation (<http://www.sjsu.edu/specialed>) _____
- Apply **ONLINE** for admission to SJSU through Graduate Admissions
(Send all **OFFICIAL** transcripts to Graduate Admissions for evaluation) _____
- Register, take, and PASS the Department’s Writing Assessment _____
- Submit Department MA Application _____
- Submit a Statement of Purpose about your interest in pursuing an
MA degree in Special Education _____
- Submit the Self-Assessment Dispositions Evaluation form _____
- Submit your current resume _____
- Submit a copy of your valid Certificate of Clearance (issued through CTC) _____
- Submit three (3) Recommendation Forms with letters attached. _____
- Submit the Plagiarism Tutorial & Test form with a copy of your
official passing score of 90% or better. _____
- The Department staff will contact you to schedule applicant interview
once Graduate Admissions determines you meet the minimum 3.0 GPA
and your Department MA application documents have all been received _____