

# **SPECIAL EDUCATION (EDS)**

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## **Program Overview**

The Ed.S. program in Special Education at Columbus State University provides advanced professional and pedagogical studies that develop expertise in the knowledge, skills, and habits of accomplished teachers. Candidates will address a range of advanced issues in special education related to research on developmental disabilities, sociological perspectives of disability, and the law. In addition, students completing this program will be eligible for the Autism Endorsement from the Georgia Professional Standards Commission.

The Ed.S. candidate develops expertise in studies of content, pedagogy, research, reading, and psychological foundations. Programs develop the knowledge and skills reflected in the National Board for Professional Teaching Standards (NBPTS) propositions.

All educator preparation programs are approved by the Georgia Professional Standards Commission.

## **Career Opportunities**

The Ed.S. program is designed for teachers and other leaders who want to influence practice outside of the immediate classroom or school system. The degree leads to certification at the sixth year level.