

Applying for the Expedited Master's Program in Special Education at WMU

Thank you for your interest in applying with us! Please follow the step-by-step instructions for submitting your application.

1. Starting from the [Expedited Master of Arts in Special Education with Initial Teaching Certification page](#), click on **Apply**
2. This should open the Graduate Student Applications page. Click on **Degree Seeking** which should be the first option.
3. This will open a page about starting your application. Scroll to the bottom and click on **Start Your Application**
4. Sign in or set up an account with GraduateWMU
5. Once you are on the homepage, click on **Start New** in the bottom right corner
6. At the start of a new application, make the following selections to start the correct application:
 1. Select **international or domestic** depending on your status
 2. Select **Master's** as your degree option
 3. Select **online** as your campus option
 4. Select **Special Education: Clinical Teacher- MA** as your program [this program is for individuals earning their *first* special education endorsement]
 5. Select your readmission option(likely no)
 6. Select **Spring 2024** as your term of choice

Example:

Select "Domestic" if you are one of the following: US Citizen, US Dual Citizen, US Permanent Resident, Asylee/Refugee, or undocumented/DACA.

Domestic ▼

Degree Option

Master's ▼

Campus

Main Campus (Kalamazoo) ▼

Program

Special Education: Clinical Teacher - MA ▼

7. From there, the application questions will be customized based on your responses

8. In your written statement, please mention the following:

- Which endorsement are you seeking? The options are:
 - Autism

- Learning Disability
- Emotional Impairment
- If you have been selected or are interested in receiving funding through Grow Your Own (GYO) or Talent Together (TT). This is funding available through districts.
- That you are interested in the expedited program

9. Once your application is complete, please review and submit the application.

10. Once your application is fully submitted, faculty will begin their review. This typically takes 1-2 weeks. If you have not heard from us after 2 weeks, please email Lynda Root: lynda.root@wmich.edu, who can check on your application status.

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