

Frequently Asked Questions for Diploma in Inclusive and Special Need Education

Q. What is the Diploma in Inclusive and Special Need Education Course at Kathmandu University School of Education?

Ans. The Program, Diploma in Inclusive and Special Need Education is designed to address the pressing need for inclusive education and support for diverse learners in Nepal's education system and beyond. The shift in the educational processes required to develop skilled, competent human resources to cater the needs of children in the contemporary world. It aims to equip individuals with the knowledge, skills, and strategies required to create inclusive and effective teaching and learning environments at school, home and community.

Inclusive and Special Need Education courses are crucial in today's world to foster a more equitable and accessible education system. It empowers educators (Teachers, Parents, Researchers, medicine practitioner etc) to cater the diverse learning needs, promoting inclusivity and ensuring that every individual, regardless of their abilities, has the opportunity to learn and thrive. This prepares educators to address the unique requirements of students with special needs, contributing to a more inclusive and compassionate society.

Q. What are the Key Features of the course?

Ans.

- A. Sign Language
- B. Pre-Braille Script
- C. Understanding the need and process of Speech/Occupational/Vision/Art/behaviour etc therapies for diverse learners
- D. Individual Learning Plan
- E. Classroom/home based and community based curriculum, Pedagogy and assessment
- F. Understanding Disabilities and Disorders (Intellectual Disabilities, Learning Disabilities, Autism Spectrum Disorders (ASD), Attention-Deficit/Hyperactivity Disorder (ADHD), Physical Disabilities, Sensory Impairments, Emotional/Behavioral Disorders, Speech and Language Disorders, Multiple Disabilities), Gifted and Talented Learners etc

Q. What are the admission requirements for the Diploma in Inclusive and Special Need Education program?

Ans. The entry requirement for the course is the successful completion of a high school education.

Q. How can I contact Kathmandu University School of Education for more information about the program?

Ans. Email, Phone calls and visit to the University

Q. What is the duration of the Diploma in Inclusive and Special Need Education program?

Ans. This is a 6-month course. It consists of 18 credits; each credit having 16 contact hours.

Q. What career opportunities are available after completing the Diploma in Inclusive and Special Need Education program?

Ans.

- Education facilitator (Regular, Inclusive, Integrated, Special, Rehabilitations)
- NGOs and INGOs mobilizer
- Researcher
- Educational Enterprises
- Home and community mobilizer (Parents, Teaching ,non-teaching)

Q. What are the course for the Diploma in Inclusive and Special Need Education program?

Ans.

- Inclusive and Special Need Education: Theory and Practice (3 credits)
- Understanding and Supporting Diverse Learners (3 credits)
- Pedagogy and Assessment Strategies (3 credits)
- Internship (3 credits) (Classroom /Home based/Community based teaching and learning)
- Research Project (3 credits)

Q. What are the key features of the Diploma in Inclusive and Special Need Education program?

Ans.

- Strong focus on inclusive education principles
- Emphasis on practical and applied learning
- Integration of interdisciplinary approaches
- Faculty comprising experienced experts in inclusive and special need education
- Field placements and internships for hands-on experience
- Encouragement of research and innovation
- Promotion of a collaborative learning environment
- Exploration of international best practices in inclusive and special need education
- Assessment methods aligned with modern pedagogical practices
- Access to abundant learning resources and technology
- Emphasis on community engagement and social responsibility
- Support for continuous professional development

Alignment with national educational policies

Aim for a global impact through expertise in inclusive education

Q. What attributes does the program aim to develop in its students?

Ans.

Disability Literate

Competent Educator

Professional Practitioner (Ethics and Values)

Counselors and Social Mobilizers

Continuous Professional Learners

Q. What is the mode of delivery for the program?

Ans. This program is delivered in a blended mode. Most of the courses will be online and the practicals will be done in-person.

Q. What methods of instruction are used in the program?

Ans. The methods of teaching will be a combination of varieties of instructional techniques.

Workshops

Group discussions

Demonstrations

Sessions by guest speakers

Seminars

Colloquium

Report writing

Report presentation

Case analysis

Problem-solving

Practical experiences

Fieldwork

Participatory teaching and learning activities are emphasized.

Q. What is the class size for the Diploma in Inclusive and Special Need Education program?

Ans. Given the nature of the course that requires more opportunity for the engagement of students in practical work, including the internship program, the number of students in each cohort will be limited to 20.

Q. What are the evaluation and attendance requirements for the program?

Ans.

Evaluation will be conducted in the in-semester (formative) and end-semester (summative) modes.

In-semester assessment covers 60% and end-semester covers 40% weightage.

In-semester assessment calls for student participation in the classroom discussions, writing reports, presentations, group activities, Practice teaching, project work, case studies, and written tests, and the end-semester examination will be a written test/assessment at the end of the term.

A minimum of 80% attendance is mandatory

Q. What is the grading system for the program?

Grade	A	A-	B+	B	B-	C+	C
Grade Point	4.0	3.7	3.3	3.0	2.7	2.3	2.0
Performance	Outstanding	Excellent	Very Good	Good	Fair	Fair	Fair

Q. What are the certification requirements for the program?

Ans.

Satisfactory completion of all courses prescribed for the area of the study in which the degree is granted.

A cumulative grade point average of at least 2.0

Regular students must complete all the course requirements and pass the level within one year

Q. What is the fee structure for the program?

Ans. The total fee is Rs 63,000 for the 6-month program. It can be paid in installments.

Q. What degree will be awarded upon completion of the program?

Ans. The students completing all the requirements will be awarded a **"Diploma"** with a specialization in **Inclusive and Special Needs Education**.