

# SPECIAL EDUCATION ASSISTANT (SPEA)

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## **SPEA 3410 THE INCLUSIVE SPECIAL EDUCATION CLASSROOM** **0 unit**

Examination of inclusive education, the Individuals with Disabilities Act (IDEA), and the responsibilities of the Special Education Assistant to support the general and special education instructors in the inclusive classroom. Completion of the Noncredit Special Education Assistant courses (SPEA 3410, SPEA 3420, SPEA 3430, SPEA 3440, SPEA 3450, SPEA 3460) will not result in Paraprofessional certification. Total of 36 hours of lecture.

**Grade Mode:** *Ungraded Non-Credit, Pass/No-Pass*

## **SPEA 3420 EFFECTIVE INSTRUCTIONAL STRATEGIES FOR THE SPECIAL EDUCATION ASSISTANT**

### **0 unit**

Exploration of various instructional strategies and techniques implemented by a special education assistant to support classroom instruction. Examination of the most effective, research based teaching strategies for students with special needs. Completion of the Noncredit Special Education Assistant courses (SPEA 3410, SPEA 3420, SPEA 3430, SPEA 3440, SPEA 3450, SPEA 3460) will not result in Paraprofessional certification. Total of 36 hours lecture.

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## **SPEA 3430 UNDERSTANDING THE IEP PROCESS**

### **0 unit**

Development of a student-centered individualized education plan (IEP) and the role that the special education assistant fulfills throughout the school year in providing structured assistance for the special education student. Examination of federal and state special education laws. Emphasis on teamwork as a member of the IEP team. Completion of the Noncredit Special Education Assistant courses (SPEA 3410, SPEA 3420, SPEA 3430, SPEA 3440, SPEA 3450, SPEA 3460) will not result in Paraprofessional certification. Total of 36 hours of lecture.

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## **SPEA 3440 ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY IN THE SPECIAL EDUCATION CLASSROOM**

### **0 unit**

The use of assistive technology to support the special education student in the academic setting. Creation of equitable learning environments for students with various types of disabilities within the K-12 classroom. Completion of the Noncredit Special Education Assistant courses (SPEA 3410, SPEA 3420, SPEA 3430, SPEA 3440, SPEA 3450, SPEA 3460) will not result in Paraprofessional certification. Total of 36 hours of lecture.

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## **SPEA 3450 SPECIAL EDUCATION ASSISTANT IN THE CLASSROOM** **0 unit**

For students in the Special Education Assistant Level 1 certificate program. Supervised, practical experience in a K-12 classroom. During the course seminar sessions, students will reflect upon their practice as a special education assistant as well as analyze and discuss case scenarios. Completion of the Noncredit Special Education Assistant courses (SPEA 3410, SPEA 3420, SPEA 3430, SPEA 3440, SPEA 3450, SPEA 3460) will not result in Paraprofessional certification. Total of 16 hours of lecture and 20 hours of on-site experience.

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## **SPEA 3460 PREPARING FOR THE INSTRUCTIONAL ASSISTANT EXAMINATION**

### **0 unit**

Preparation for the ETS computerized ParaPro Assessment or any Title 1 Unified School District's developed proficiency exam for instructional assistants. Includes understanding of the reading, writing, and mathematical skill sets that are generally examined within Instructional Assistant exams. Completion of the Noncredit Special Education Assistant courses (SPEA 3410, SPEA 3420, SPEA 3430, SPEA 3440, SPEA 3450, SPEA 3460) will not result in Paraprofessional certification. Total of 36 hours of lecture.

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