



# TEACHER RECRUITING IN MILD/MODERATE (TRIMM) LICENSURE PROJECT

**Bachelor’s or Master’s Degree  
in Special Education Mild Moderate Disabilities**

## TRIMM PROJECT

The Teacher Recruiting in Mild/Moderate (TRIMM) Licensure Project is a partnership between the Utah State Board of Education and the University to address the critical shortage of teachers serving students with mild/moderate disabilities. The TRIMM project targets both bachelor’s and master’s level students interested in obtaining a license in special education with a focus on mild/moderate disabilities. Stipends are available to 5 undergraduate students and 5 graduate students.

The project will include four to five semesters of coursework, including requirements for both the teaching endorsement and either a Bachelor’s or Master’s in Education degree from the University of Utah Department of Special Education. It will also include onsite supervision of early field and student teaching experiences.

## PROGRAM DELIVERY & STRUCTURE

The program will be delivered on the University of Utah campus with most coursework offered in the evenings (i.e., 4:30-7:00 pm) to allow students the flexibility to work in school settings during the day.

### **Bachelor’s Degree-Mild/Moderate Study Requirements\***

Bachelor’s Degree Study Requirements*	Credit Hours
Teacher Education Core Courses	27
Mild Mod Specialization Courses	31
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>	<b>58</b>

\*Bachelor’s prerequisites: Completed 43 hours pre-major courses in Special Education and University General Education and other BS degree requirements.

### Master's Degree-Mild/Moderate Graduate Study Requirements

M.Ed. Graduate Study Requirements	Credit Hours
Teacher Education Core Courses	28
Mild Mod Specialization & Advanced Graduate Courses	40
Total Credit Hours	68

The program includes a coursework sequence that is approved by the state and national accreditation boards.

## USBE-IDEA FLOW-THROUGH FUNDING

Each Master's student admitted under the TRIMM project (projected cap of 5 students) will receive an annual stipend of **\$9,000** for two years to cover program and related expenses.

Each Bachelor's student admitted under the TRIMM project (projected cap of 5 students) will receive an annual stipend of **\$5,000** for two years to cover program and related expenses.

The TRIMM Project is sponsored by IDEA funds from The Utah State Board of Education.

## APPLYING TO THE TRIMM PROGRAM

Notification for the TRIMM Program funding will be after July 1, 2017. Stipends will be awarded on a competitive basis.

Applicants must submit the following to the U of U and the Department of Special Education:

1. Application for admission to the Mild/Moderate Special Education Program
2. Professional career statement
3. Proof of cleared USBE background check
4. Transcripts from **all** colleges or universities attended
5. Praxis (undergraduate-see SPED website for specific required tests) or GRE (graduate) Test Scores
6. Three current letters of recommendation (at least two addressing capacity for academic work)

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## HELPFUL WEBSITES

**Department of Special Education:** [special-ed.utah.edu](http://special-ed.utah.edu)

**University of Utah Homepage:** [utah.edu](http://utah.edu)

**Admissions and deadlines:** [special-ed.utah.edu/prospective/admission/index.php](http://special-ed.utah.edu/prospective/admission/index.php)

**Graduate School:** [gradschool.utah.edu](http://gradschool.utah.edu)

**Utah State Board of Education:** [schools.utah.gov](http://schools.utah.gov)