



**Application Guidelines for** Special Education (PhD)

**Application Deadlines** Fall Admissions: February 28<sup>th</sup>  
Spring Admissions: September 30<sup>th</sup>  
**Applications are accepted at other times; these are priority deadlines only.**

**Website** <https://coehs.unm.edu/departments-programs/spcd/special-education-program/index.html>

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APPLICATION CATEGORY	SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS
<b>Educational Background</b>	Required. Please include unofficial transcripts in the online application and submit official transcripts to UNM (transcripts from UNM excepted).
<b>Program of Interest</b>	Select: College of Education > Special Education > Ph.D.
<b>Letter of Intent</b>	This is your opportunity to tell the program faculty about yourself. It is recommended that you provide information about your areas of research interest, previous experience, and your goals.
<b>Writing Sample</b>	A professional writing sample that reflects strong critical thinking and written communications skills with attention to grammar and composition. This sample should represent only original, single-author work and reflect a topic relevant to the profession.
<b>CV/Resume</b>	Provide an updated copy of your professional vita (resume).
<b>Special Requirements</b>	Please click on the following link and complete the document: <a href="https://coehs.unm.edu/uploads/docs/edspec/specialed/phd-application-special-education.pdf">https://coehs.unm.edu/uploads/docs/edspec/specialed/phd-application-special-education.pdf</a> Please upload completed form in the special requirements section in your online application. May also be added to addendum section in your online application after submission.
<b>Recommendations</b>	Five (5) letters of recommendation are required from professionals who are directly familiar with your academic and professional work.