

Field of study	Secondary School Teacher Training in Special Needs Education
Faculty	Faculty of Education
Study	Double-subject, Bachelor's degree, full-time/combined
Length of study (years)	3
Academic degree	Bc.
Combined with...	English Language in Education (both full-time and combined);
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Description of the programme

The study is designed as a teaching structured (two-stage) course with a focus on undergraduate teacher training in the area of special needs education, which deals with the education and development of persons with health or social disadvantage of a specific age group. The aim of the study is to create the conditions for the training of highly qualified educators ready to work in the sectors of education, labour and social affairs and health care including non-governmental organizations in these sectors. An integral part of the study is to fulfil the basic requirements of educational competence in the educational, psychological, teaching practice and general modules. These requirements are common for all fields of study at the Faculty of Education, Palacký University. This field of study is always combined with another field of study of the study programme Specialization in Education or a Bachelor's degree provided by the Faculty of Arts and Faculty of Science, Palacký University according to the current offer and the student's choice.

The graduates have an opportunity to continue in the follow-up Master's degree in Teaching for 2nd Grade of Elementary and for Secondary Schools and Special Needs Education combined with the selected qualification course.

Graduate profile and job opportunities

The graduates of the Bachelor's degree will be qualified for the positions of special needs educators, educational workers, assistant teachers or assistants in the following institutions:

- Special schools,
- 2nd grade of mainstream elementary schools,
- Mainstream secondary schools,
- Social care services and institutions,
- Health care services and institutions.

Admission requirements

The applicant must prove his/her fitness for study in a motivation letter (in English) and a profile essay 15 000 – 20 000 symbols long, focused on the area of study program.

Language competence:

- The standard English language requirement is level B2 in accordance to the Common European Framework of Reference for languages (CEFR).
- Minimum language requirements in the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL): Internet based Test (IbT): 61, Computer based Test (CbT): 173, Paper based Test (PbT): 500 or an International English Language Testing System (IELTS) overall band score of at least 6.0.

The applicants are required to send:

- application ([online application form](#));
- [proof of recognition](#) of their previous education (i.e. foreign certificate as equivalent to a certificate of education issued in the Czech Republic);
- motivation letter;
- profile essay;
- CV;
- certificate of language competence

to the address dagmar.zdrahalova@upol.cz **by 31 May 2018.**