



The City University of New York

Hunter College-CUNY

School of Education, Department of Special Education

Advanced Certificate in Gifted & Talented Education

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**Course Formats**

The GT courses are typically offered in a web supported format. All courses are offered in a face-to-face format and enhanced through Blackboard support. Courses are held either on the main Hunter campus (E. 68<sup>th</sup> & Lexington) or at the HC Campus Schools (E. 94<sup>th</sup> & Park). Check CUNYFirst for date, time, and location. Classes are held from 4:30-7:00 pm or 7:10-9:40 pm.

**Required Courses**

Course #	Course Title	Credits	Field Hours	Commonly Offered		
				Fall	Spring	Summer
SPED 753.00	Understanding and Identifying Gifted Learners: Individual and Developmental Diversity	3	10	•		•
SPED 754.00	Differentiating Curriculum for Gifted and Talented Learners	3	10	•		•
SPED 755.00	Assessment and Instruction for Diversely Gifted Learners	3	20		•	•
SPED 756.00	Program Planning, Policy and Leadership in Gifted Education	3	10		•	•

**Recommended Course Sequence Options:**

**Option A** (6 credits per semester)

<b>First Semester Year 1</b> SPED 753.00 SPED 754.00	<b>Second Semester Year 1</b> SPED 755.00 SPED 756.00
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**Option B** (3 credits per semester)

<b>First Semester Year 1</b> SPED 753.00	<b>Second Semester Year 1</b> SPED 755.00
<b>First Semester Year 2</b> SPED 754.00	<b>Second Semester Year 2</b> SPED 756.00

\* **Option C** (Summer Intensive: Summer Session II & III July/August)

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**Option D (off campus cohort model)**

Occasionally, an off campus cohort model will be offered in collaboration with Hunter faculty and a NYCDOE school district. In order for an off campus model to occur, a minimum of 15 matriculated students is required and students must take courses in order as a district cohort. Contact Dr. Elissa Brown ([elissa.brown@hunter.cuny.edu](mailto:elissa.brown@hunter.cuny.edu)) for more information.

**Registering for Classes**

Information on registering for classes is available on the Hunter College *One Stop for Students* webpage ([www.hunter.cuny.edu/onestop](http://www.hunter.cuny.edu/onestop)). Information on when registration opens and closes is available under the registration information link. Check the schedule of classes to find out what day/time courses are offered.

\* If students are registering for summer courses, you must apply for the fall term and then upon program acceptance, may enroll in summer courses. Note: Advisor permission is required if students are taking courses out of sequence.

**Fieldwork experiences**

Field hours are required for each course (state requirements). Each course’s field hours takes on different forms; such as observations of gifted students, working with a specific gifted student, course assignments, etc. Sometimes it can be conducted within your school and sometimes the hours will be fulfilled out of your school.. Check with your professor and the specific course syllabus.

**Graduation**

At the start of the last semester, students need to apply for graduation by submitting a completed Degree Audit Application Form (DAAF) to Office of Educational Services (room 1000W). Additional information on graduation and DAAF forms can be found on the School of Education Degree Audit/Graduation web site

(<http://www.hunter.cuny.edu/school-of-education/current-students/degree-audit/overview>).

**Other requirements**

- **Dignity for All Students Act (DASA):**

<http://www.hunter.cuny.edu/ceprograms/repository/files/DASA%20FAQs.pdf>

Students are advised to complete all requirements no later than one week prior to graduation date, including any DASA workshop.

- Complete **Sexual Assault** module for continuing course registration. Students need to contact the Dean of Students’ Office at 212-772-4882.
- **Content Specialty Test (CST-064):** Students can graduate the program from Hunter College, but in order to be certified in gifted & talented (K-12 extension), the New York State extension in gifted education also requires a passing score on the NYS Gifted Content Specialty Test.

**NOTE:** Since the gifted certificate is an extension, applicants can apply for the certificate at the level your current certificate is at — meaning if you have an initial in childhood education, you apply for the initial annotation. If you have a permanent in Special Education, you apply for the permanent extension. If an applicant applies for and is issued an initial annotation and afterward are eligible for professional certification, you would apply again for the professional annotation and pay the application fee.

**Student Progress Tracker**

<b>Did you.....?</b>	✓			
Submit proof of immunization				
Create a CUNYFirst ID (to register)				
Obtain a Hunter net ID (Hunter email)				
Create a CUNYPortal ID (Blackboard)				
Registration on NYS Dept of Ed TEACH (if applicable)				
Take all courses (12 credits)	SPED 753.00	SPED 754.00	SPED 755.00	SPED 756.00
Completed DASA training				
Completed sexual assault				
Completed DAAF form (prior to graduation)				
Register, take, pass the CST				