



KU LEAP

A new doctoral training opportunity at top-ranked University of Kansas

The Department of Special Education at the University of Kansas has built an international reputation for excellence in teaching, research, and service over the past 50 years. We are excited to invite applications for a new OSEP-funded leadership grant program: Preparing Leaders to Create Ambitious Educational Programs for Students with Severe Disabilities: Beyond De Minimis (KU LEAP).

To apply, visit [our website](#)

<https://specialedu.ku.edu/academics/special-education/phd/graduate-admission>

Priority application deadline: **December 1, 2018**

Research Focus Areas

Key areas of research and teaching experience will include: secondary education and severe disabilities, particularly in the domains of inclusion, strengths-based approaches, access to the general education curriculum, self-determination, and support needs assessment.

Program Highlights

KU LEAP Scholars will:

- Develop skills in **research, teaching, and service** to prepare for university level special education faculty positions
- Engage in **rigorous and relevant research** and transformational interventions
- **Acquire core competencies** related to promoting access to the general education curriculum, self-determination, and support needs assessment
- **Experience internships** that allow for meaningful application of research training
- **Be published** in multiple peer-reviewed journals
- Complete the program in four years and **assume university-level faculty positions**

Scholar Benefits

- Full tuition package for four years of doctoral study
- Funds provided for stipend and travel to conferences
- Instruction and mentorship from top-tier faculty
- Opportunity to become an important, valued part of the diverse KU SPED community of scholars



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