

THE UNION EDGE PROGRAM

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

Program Leadership

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Program Description

The Union EDGE is a comprehensive program for highly capable students. Students should be contacted to set up an on-campus interview. Final admission decisions are made by the Director and EDGE Admissions Committee composed of School of Education faculty.

2. Interview: Students who score high enough on the application may be invited for an interview that includes question/answer, reading assessment, writing assessment, problem solving assessment, math skills assessment, and determination of ability to follow rules and be a good sport.
3. Trial Day on Campus: Students who score high enough on the interview are then invited to a trial day on campus.

Curriculum

EDGE students register for 12 or more semester hours each semester, 6 semester hours of Life Skills Courses and 6 or more semester hours of Union course audits.

Course Audits: Union EDGE students enroll in two or more regular college courses each semester as course audits for credit toward a certificate – minimum of 48 credit hours to graduate. The EDGE program director works with faculty to develop an education plan for each student.

Life Skills Courses: Students enroll in two life skills courses each semester that focus on training in life skills and career development, including topics such as technology, resume' writing/interviewing, use of social media, banking, cooking, social skills, safety, and job skills.

EDGE Certificate Requirement: 48 Hours

- I. Life Skills Course Requirements – 24 hours
LFS 101, 105, 110, 116, 121, 125, 130, 201
- II. Electives – 24 hours from audits of regular college courses

Additional Program Requirements

Internships and Externships: Students are partnered with an on-campus internship during the first year. During the second

Acceptable candidates must be between the ages of 18-26, possess a documented Intellectual/Developmental Disability (IDD), and be a high school graduate. In addition, applicants must submit the following to the EDGE program office:

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- Psycho-educational evaluation
- Application Fee (\$50)

