



# Become a Special Education Teacher

## NEW Grant-Funded Graduate Program

### APPLICATION DEADLINE: April 1, 2012

Looking for a career where you can make a difference? Interested in working with struggling learners or with adolescents who have been disadvantaged? Lack of funding held you back?

*If so, the University at Albany has a graduate program to help you reach these goals that will also provide a generous stipend during your year of intensive teaching internship.*



This two-year graduate program will lead to initial and professional certification in Teaching Students with Disabilities Generalist (grades 7-12), Teaching Students with Disabilities (grades 1-6), and Childhood Education (grades 1-6), as well as coursework for a Literacy credential.

This program requires a full year clinically rich residency at Amsterdam High School, a high need school. During this residency year, each admitted student will receive a \$30,000 stipend as well as up to \$10,000 in tuition. Admission to the program will be competitive, as we expect to be able to admit only 12-18 students to this program in Spring 2012 to begin study in June 2012.

#### ADMISSIONS CRITERIA:

1. An undergraduate major or concentration of 30 semester hours in one of the following areas is required for admission: English/Language Arts, History/Social Studies, Science (i.e. Biology, Chemistry, Physics) or Mathematics. See full list of acceptable concentrations at [www.albany.edu/education](http://www.albany.edu/education). Note that Psychology does not qualify.
2. Six semester hours in each of the following: English Language Arts, Social Studies, Science, Language other than English, and Math. It might be possible to take one class after admission to meet this requirement.
3. GPA of 3.0 or better.

4. Commitment to full time studies for Summer 2012, Fall 2012, Spring 2013, Fall 2013, Spring 2014, as well as completing ERDG 620 in summer 2014. Funding is available for the residency only in Fall 2013 and Spring 2014.
5. Completion of written commitment statement to seek work for 4 years in a high need school in New York State if employment is available. If you apply, and none are available, then you have still fulfilled this commitment. See [www.albany.edu/education](http://www.albany.edu/education) for districts that qualify as high need.

A personal interview may be required with both the SUNY Albany and Amsterdam faculty and administration which will focus on the applicant's knowledge, commitment to working with diverse students, and academic content.

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For more information on this opportunity, or if you are interested in applying (DEADLINE FOR APPLICATION IS APRIL 1, 2012), please contact us right away at the following email addresses.

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