NON-DEGREE ENDORSEMENT PROGRAM FOR LEARNING DISABILITIES TEACHER-CONSULTANT
Leading to LDT-C Educational Services Certification

I. PROGRAM DESCRIPTION
This program prepares teachers to serve as Learning Disabilities Teacher-Consultants (LDT-C) in the public school systems. The LDT-C works as an assessment specialist and a member of the Public Personnel Services team. The program includes instruction in the assessment of academic achievement of students referred for learning disabilities evaluation. Participants will also be prepared to interpret patterns found in testing, to devise informal measures to pinpoint cognitive difficulties and to design interventions to help students compensate for academic and behavioral deficiencies.

II. ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS
Applicants are required to have an earned Master's degree, a New Jersey standard instructional certificate, and three years, full-time classroom teaching experience.
- A photocopy of a New Jersey Standard Instructional Certificate or its out-of-state equivalent.
- Official academic transcripts of all undergraduate and graduate studies. Applicants must hold a master’s degree or higher degree equivalent from a regionally accredited college or university. Applicants are not usually admitted with a GPA of less than 2.75 in their most recent degree.
- A letter of recommendation from the applicant’s current or previous school principal or supervisor, on school district letterhead, certifying the completion of three years of successful, full-time teaching under the appropriate certificate.

III. APPLICATION AND ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION
All applicants who are not currently in a Graduate/Non-degree program and don’t have an active RU ID # will need to complete a Graduate Study application online through http://gradstudy.rutgers.edu.

Applicants are responsible for reviewing and confirming that they meet program requirements before the application is submitted. Rutgers Graduate School of Education WILL NOT refund the application fee if an applicant is not accepted.

To Apply:
2. Click on Apply Now and follow the instructions given.
3. Choose "Non-Degree Application", for Application Type.
4. For Program Name choose “Professional Credit Programs” from the drop down menu.
5. Under GSE Professional Credit Program 15000 choose the semester in which you wish to participate.
6. For Enrollment Year, select the corresponding year for the semester in which you wish to participate.
7. Select “No” for Full-Time Study
8. Under Concentration, choose your desired certification/endorsement.
9. Supporting materials must be submitted online or mailed to the Graduate Admissions office at Office of Graduate and Professional Admissions (New Brunswick), Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, 56 College Ave, New Brunswick, NJ 08901-8530:
   - Undergraduate and Graduate transcripts (Official sealed copies must be mailed or submitted electronically directly from the institution).
   - Letter of recommendation/experience.
   - Copy of the Standard certificate (Please upload in the resume field if submitting digital copy)
10. Enter payment information for the non-refundable application fee.
11. Submit your application and authorize payment for the non-refundable application fee.
When the entire application process is complete, students simply register for the courses in the program as described on the program handouts and on the GSE website [www.gse.rutgers.edu](http://www.gse.rutgers.edu). It is the responsibility of the student to enroll in all of the required courses through Rutgers University. **No program requirements may be met at any other institution.** Students are expected to maintain a “B” or better average as a non-degree student in the Learning Disabilities Teacher-Consultants (LDT-C) Endorsement Program. Accepted students will have 5 years to complete the program.

After completing all of the required courses in the program, students should contact the Office of Academic Services at the GSE to notify them and to secure an application for the state endorsement. GSE personnel will then forward the completed application to Trenton along with a recommendation that the certification be awarded.

### IV. PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

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* Students must be admitted into and currently enrolled in either the LDT-C masters or non-degree program and have completed all required program courses in order to be permitted to register for 15:293:636. Faculty may be able to waive the prerequisite when one course other than 15:293:522, 293:526, and 293:527 still needs to be completed after the practicum due to scheduling problems.

### VI. PORTFOLIO

Students will be participating in an on-line instructional and evaluation system that will archive artifacts from classes to be specified by the faculty. Students must submit artifacts for this on-line portfolio throughout their program as directed by their program faculty. Details of this portfolio are specified in the Student Policy and Procedures Handbook.

### VII. HIB TRAINING

All candidates for teacher certification must complete pre-service training in the prevention of harassment, intimidation, and bullying (HIB).

### VI. PROGRAM COORDINATOR

If you have specific questions regarding the application and admissions process then please contact the Office of Student and Academic Services at academic.services@gse.rutgers.edu.

If you have questions regarding course content and need advising then please contact Dr. Angela O’Donnell, angela.odonnell@gse.rutgers.edu.