Special Education and Clinical Sciences

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Through teaching, research, and service, the Department of Special Education and Clinical Sciences seeks to improve the quality of education, employment, and community living for children and adults with special needs and their families. The department has three graduate majors: communication disorders and sciences, school psychology, and special education. The department also offers an undergraduate degree in communication disorders and sciences as well as a minor in special education.

Faculty


Gounah Choi, lecturer. BA, 2013, Southern California; MEd, 2016, Vanderbilt; PhD, 2023, Temple. (2023)


Sierra Corbin, clinical assistant professor. BA, 2009, Oregon; MS, 2014, Nebraska, Kearney. (2021)

David Cosottile, lecturer. (2022)


Katie Griffith, clinical assistant professor. (2022)


Elisa Jamgochian, senior lecturer. BA, 2001, California, Davis; MS, 2004, California State, Fullerton; PhD, 2010, Oregon.(2015)


Kent McIntosh, professor (behavior management, research design, applied behavior analysis); director, educational and community supports. BA, 1997, Duke; MS, 2003, PhD, 2005, Oregon. (2012)


Rhonda N. T. Nese, associate professor (alternatives to exclusionary discipline, positive behavioral interventions and supports, implementation and sustainability of equitable schools). BA, 2004, Maryland; MEd, 2008, Howard; PhD, 2013, Oregon. (2016)


Amanda Thompson, clinical assistant professor. BA, 2011, California State, Chico; MS, 2013, Oregon. (2021)


Shelley Watson, clinical assistant professor. (2018)


Jarrod Zinser, clinical associate professor. (2022)


**Emeriti**

Barbara D. Bateman, professor emerita. BS, 1954, Washington (Seattle); MA, 1958, San Francisco State; PhD, 1962, Illinois; JD, 1976, Oregon. (1966)

Diane D. Bricker, professor emerita. BA, 1959, Ohio State; MS, 1965, Oregon; PhD, 1970, George Peabody. (1978)

Russell M. Gersten, professor emeritus. BA, 1967, Brandeis; PhD, 1978, Oregon. (1977)


Marilyn A. Nippold, professor emeritus. BA, 1972, California, Los Angeles; MA, 1976, California State, Long Beach; PhD, 1982, Purdue. (1982)


The date in parentheses at the end of each entry is the first year on the University of Oregon faculty.

**Undergraduate Programs**

**Major - Bachelor's Degree**

- Communication Disorders and Sciences (BA/BS) ([link](http://catalog.uoregon.edu/education/special-ed-clinical-sci/ug-comm-disorder-sci/))

**Minor**

- Special Education ([link](http://catalog.uoregon.edu/education/special-ed-clinical-sci/min-special-ed/))

**Certificate**

- Special Education ([link](http://catalog.uoregon.edu/education/special-ed-clinical-sci/cert-special-ed/))

**Graduate Programs**

**Majors - Master's Degree**

- Applied Behavior Analysis (MS) ([link](http://catalog.uoregon.edu/education/special-ed-clinical-sci/ms-applied-behavior-analysis/))
- Communication Disorders and Sciences (MS) ([link](http://catalog.uoregon.edu/education/special-ed-clinical-sci/mas-comm-disorder-sci/))
- School Psychology (MS) ([link](http://catalog.uoregon.edu/education/special-ed-clinical-sci/ms-school-psychology/))
- Special Education (MA/MS) ([link](http://catalog.uoregon.edu/education/special-ed-clinical-sci/mas-special-ed/))
- Special Education (MEd) ([link](http://catalog.uoregon.edu/education/special-ed-clinical-sci/med-special-ed/))

**Majors - Doctoral Degree**

- Communication Disorders and Sciences (PhD) ([link](http://catalog.uoregon.edu/education/special-ed-clinical-sci/phd-comm-disorders-sci/))
- School Psychology (PhD) ([link](http://catalog.uoregon.edu/education/special-ed-clinical-sci/phd-school-psychology/))
- Special Education (DEd) ([link](http://catalog.uoregon.edu/education/special-ed-clinical-sci/ded-special-ed/))
- Special Education (PhD) ([link](http://catalog.uoregon.edu/education/special-ed-clinical-sci/phd-special-ed/))

**Certificates**

- Early Intervention-Early Childhood Special Education ([link](http://catalog.uoregon.edu/education/special-ed-clinical-sci/gcert-early-intervention/))