# GIFTED EDUCATION GRADUATE CERTIFICATES AND ENDORSEMENTS



The Gifted Education programs provide educators with the skills and knowledge necessary to work with gifted and talented students. The curriculum is appropriate for teachers who provide instruction in gifted programs or teach in inclusive settings. The Endorsement in Gifted Education and Graduate Certificate in Gifted Education are designed to meet the needs of busy education professionals.

#### **DEGREES/CONCENTRATIONS**

#### **ENDORSEMENT IN GIFTED EDUCATION** (fully online) 12-credit program

The fundamental goal of the Pennsylvania Department of Education—approved gifted education endorsement is to prepare teachers to be effective in helping gifted students achieve social, emotional and academic success in the school setting. This fully online, asynchronous program is intended to provide teachers with the knowledge and skills needed to work with students, families and the community to provide a continuum of services and a nurturing learning environment for a diverse range of gifted learners. The endorsement can be completed in one academic year, with offerings provided during the fall, winter, spring and summer semesters.

### **GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN GIFTED EDUCATION** (fully online) 18-credit program

The certificate program is a fully online distance-learning program that can be completed in 1-2 academic years; it includes the four endorsement courses plus a 6-credit practicum that can be conducted in your own classroom. The certificate program is delivered in an asynchronous, online format to enhance convenience and access for students. The completed certificate can be applied in its entirety towards the requirements for the Master of Education degree in gifted education.

#### **CURRICULUM**

## ENDORSEMENT IN GIFTED EDUCATION Required Courses (18 s.h.)

- GFED 670: Psychology of the Gifted (3)
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- GFED 690: Clinical Practicum (6)

