# CAREER & TECHNICAL EDUCATION (CTE) TRANSITION & SPECIAL NEEDS ADD-ON ENDORSEMENT GRADUATE CERTIFICATE

#### **Purpose**

The purpose of the Graduate Certificate in Career and Technical Education – Transition and Special Needs program is to provide candidates who hold an active license with a teaching endorsement, an avenue to earn an add-on endorsement in Career Technical Education – Transition Special Needs. Emphasis is placed on advanced studies regarding the characteristics of students with disabilities, disability law, and planning for employment, community, and independent living needs of exceptional learners. This program is defined by the federal guidelines, state guidelines of the Virginia Department of Education, the Council for Exceptional Children, and national accreditation. The guidelines for this program are subject to change based on federal and state regulations or national accreditation for the licensure of special education. This certificate is intended to better equip teachers and administrators to serve exceptional students.

### **Program Learning Outcomes**

The student will be able to:

 Identify the unique needs of students with disabilities who are transitioning into their post-school lives.

# **Admission Requirements**

Please refer to the Admissions Requirements Matrix for Certificates in the Graduate Admissions section of this Catalog.

# Program of Study Delivery Format: Online Only

 Career & Technical Education (CTE) – Transition & Special Needs -Add-On Endorsement - Graduate Certificate

## **Career Opportunities**

- · Career and Technical Education Teacher
- · K-12 Curriculum Developer and Manager
- · Special Education Teacher
- · Teaching Product Developer

Additional education or training may be required for some jobs or occupations. Conferral of a certificate does not guarantee job placement.