GIFTED AND TALENTED EDUCATION

Microcredential and Teaching Endorsement

REQUIRED COURSES

EDG 621 - Introduction to Gifted Education

EDG 623 - Teaching Creative and Higher Level Thinking

EDG 625 - School Programs for Gifted Children

EDG 627 - Seminar and Field Experience in Gifted Education

Offered in an online format and can be completed in one year.

UNDERSTANDING GIFTED AND TALENTED YOUTH

Develop a better understanding of and ability to meet the needs of gifted and talented youth.

Innovative thinking, entrepreneurial dispositions, critical and creative thinking, collaboration, drive, and the ability to analyze and challenge one’s schema are all sought after skills in today’s economy. These skills are essential components of NKU’s gifted and talented endorsement program. Gifted and talented students and those with high abilities need opportunities and innovative educational experiences that enable them to make continuous progress. NKU’s gifted and talented education endorsement courses will provide you with the opportunity to explore the variations in learning and development among gifted learners; establish and sustain challenging learning environments; develop innovative evidence-based instructional and curricular strategies; and develop inclusive collaborative opportunities to support gifted and talented students, their parents, and educators. The gifted and talented education endorsement courses are offered online and can be completed within one academic year.
WHAT YOU CAN TEACH

Meeting the unique needs of high potential students

The gifted and talented education endorsement provides valuable experience and resources for classroom teachers, counselors, administrators, librarians, and other community leaders in meeting the special nature and needs of students who are gifted and talented, developing skills for planning and implementation of differentiated educational programming and applying instructional models and strategies.

Those with a base teaching certificate can add the gifted education endorsement (Primary through Grade 12) to their certificates.

Coursework:
Each course is 3 graduate credit hours. Cost is $400 per credit hour

- **Fall 2022:** EDG 621 Introduction to Gifted Education - Historical, philosophical, and psychological foundations of special educational provisions for high-ability students; characteristics, identification, and typical school programs. 7 week course

- **Spring 2023:** EDG 623 Teaching Creative and Higher-Level Thinking - Theories of creativity, higher-level thinking, and problem solving; identifying creative potential; classroom strategies and curriculum materials related to creativity and higher-level thinking. 7 week course

- **May 2023:** EDG 625 School Programs for Gifted Students - Theoretical bases and model school programs and services for high-ability students; procedures for planning, implementing, and evaluating special educational provisions for gifted students; curriculum design and teaching strategies. 3 week course

- **June 2023:** EDG 627 Seminar and Field Experiences in Gifted Education - Research and discussion of critical problems in gifted education; application of knowledge and skills in gifted education in one or more settings with gifted students; planning supervised teaching, and advocacy techniques. 5 week course

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