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CULTURAL FOUNDATIONS OF EDUCATION, JD/MS/CAS

Program Requirements

The College of Law's joint degree program in law and education, with a concentration in disability studies, offers students the opportunity to earn a J.D., an M.S. in Cultural Foundations of Education, and a certificate of advanced study (C.A.S.) in Disability Studies, which is a New York State-approved concentration. Disability Studies applies legal, social, cultural, historical, and philosophical perspectives to the study of disability in society. Students may obtain the J.D., M.S., and CAS in three years instead of the four normally required to earn both degrees independently. Because a joint degree program involves reciprocal application of electives, students are not awarded either degree until the requirements for all degrees are completed.

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