

Professional Transitions to the Public Schools: Initial ESA Certification

School Nurses, School Occupational Therapists, School Physical Therapists, School Social Workers, and School Speech-Language Pathologists or Audiologist

Courses on this listing are approved by the PESB for the roles indicated above. These approved courses satisfy the thirty clock hours/three credit quarter credits/two semester credits of course work required by WAC 181-79A-223 for initial ESA certification purposes.

These approved courses prepare candidate to:

- Demonstrate an understanding of school and special education laws and policies (national, state, and local) and their application to decision-making processes in the educational settings.
- Understand and demonstrate knowledge of working within the culture of the schools, creating an environment that fosters safety, health, and learning for the students.
- Demonstrate knowledge of appropriate resources in the school setting.
- Demonstrate knowledge of collaboration with team members which may include parents, teachers, administrators, and other to support learning outcomes for all students.
- Demonstrate knowledge of how to support the outcomes for all students through strategies such as scientifically-based practices, collaborative teaming, and ethical decision making.
- Use professional standards to inform professional growth planning.
- Demonstrate an understanding of the use of human, community, and technological resources.

Applicants who meet all requirements with the exception of the ESA course may be issued a temporary permit valid for up to one calendar year. This permit will allow the individual to serve in the role within the public schools of Washington State.

EDUCATIONAL SERVICE DISTRICT (ESD) COURSES FOR ALL ROLES:

Where:	When:	Contact Information:
NorthEast Washington ESD 101 Spokane, WA	Winter 2019 Jan. 14 to Feb. 25 6-Week, Online Course Registration Deadline: Fri., Dec. 28	Tracy Poindexter-Canton tpoindexter-canton@esd101.net
Puget Sound ESD 121 Renton, WA	Spring 2019: Mar. 1-2 and 22-23 Fall 2019: Nov. 22-23 and Dec. 6-7 Four-Day, In-Person Course 8:00 am — 4:00 pm each day	Keely Hogan khogan@psesd.org

Attention course participants: Register early, as courses often fill up quickly. Attendees **MUST** register prior to the day of the course.

To register for the ESD 101 online course, please visit [Go Sign Me Up](#) and create a profile (if you don't already have one). Click on Center for Special Education Services, then click on Initial ESA. Registration for ESD 101 is NOT accepted by email, mail, or telephone.

To register online for the in-person course in Renton through the Puget Sound ESD, please go directly to [pdEnroller](#) and search "ESA."

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UNIVERSITY COURSES

School Nurse Role:

INSTITUTION:	COURSE NO./USUALLY OFFERED:	CONTACT INFORMATION:
Pacific Lutheran University	NURS 901D (formerly 501D) July and September (School Nurse) Available to non-degree students.	Center for Continued Nursing Learning, (253) 535-7683
Washington State University College of Nursing	No Course No. (previously NURSING 598) January & June (School Nurse)	Nancy Oberst, WSU ICN (509) 324-7219

Various Roles:

INSTITUTION:	COURSE NO.:
University of Washington	Rehab 578, 582, and 576 (Occupational Therapist) Rehab 502 and 517 (Physical Therapist) SPHSC 550 "Public School Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology"
University of Washington-Tacoma	TSOCW 536C (Social Worker) TSOCW 542 "Social Work in Schools"
University of Washington-Seattle	SOCW 588 "Social Work in Schools" (Note: Certain sections of SOCW 536 taken before Fall 2006 might also satisfy the requirement. Contact the School of Social Work at UW-Seattle for more information and verification.)
Eastern Washington University	COMD 405 "Speech- Language Pathology and Audiology in the Schools" COMD 599 "Independent Study" (SLP or Audiologist) COMD 539 "Speech-Language Pathology or Audiology in Schools" CMSD 550S "Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology in the Schools" SOWK 559 "School Social Work and School Law"
Walla Walla University	SOWK 555 "School Social Work"
Washington State University	SHS 471 (Speech-Language Pathology or Audiologist) (Note: Available to non-degree students. Contact Leslie Power at 509-358-7592.) SHS 550 (Speech-Language Pathologist or Audiologist) SHS 590 (Speech-Language Pathologist or Audiologist)
Western Washington University	CSD 580 plus CSD 553 or CSD 555 (Speech-Language Pathologist or Audiologist)