## On-line Training Program in Deafblindness



An online training program in deafblindness is available through Utah State University. Based on the National Intervener Competencies, the courses are designed to prepare paraprofessionals to work as interveners with children and youth who are deafblind. It can also be useful to teachers, parents, administrators, and adult service providers.

The deafblind coursework is designed to be taken consecutively beginning with *Introduction to Deafblindness*.

## **Courses in Deafblindness (Undergraduate/Graduate)**

COMD 4660/COMD 6660 Introduction to Deafblindness (4 credits)
COMD 4840/COMD 6840 Vision and Hearing Loss (4 credits)

COMD 4890/COMD 6890 Additional Issues in Deafblindness (4 credits)

COMD 4250 Practicum Work Study (4 credits)

## **National Intervener Credential**

For those wishing to obtain the National Intervener Credential, the following coursework is required at this time.

COMD 4660/COMD 6660 Introduction to Deafblindness (4 credits)
COMD 4840/COMD 6840 Vision and Hearing Loss (4 credits)
COMD 4250 Practicum Work Study (4 credits)

## The following options are available to students:

**Option 1:** Students can register for the courses in the online training program in deafblindness at the undergraduate level or the graduate level. Please contact us for current tuition rates.

**Option 2:** Students can take the coursework as part of an Associate's Degree program in General Studies with a Focus in Deafblindness. This online program includes 30 semester hours of general education classes and 30 hours of coursework that includes the deafblind courses and other related topics.

**Option 3:** Students can request to take the coursework on a **non-transcript basis** (grades do not appear on a transcript). There are a limited number of students we accept each semester.

Upon successful completion of the courses, ComD 4660/6660, ComD 4840/6840, and ComD 4250 students will receive a certificate of completion from the Department of Communicative Disorders and Deaf Education at Utah State University.

For more information about this program and to get registration information, please contact us:

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