

TRANSDISCIPLINARY AUTISM SPECIALTY PROJECT: TRAINEE AFFIDAVIT

The Transdisciplinary Autism Specialty Project (TASP) has been funded by the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Special Education Programs (OSEP), to prepare speech-language pathologists and school psychologists who have shared expertise and the skills to collaborate in the provision of services to diverse children with autism and their families. The funded traineeship includes tuition allowances, stipends (12 mo.), and allowances for books, conference travel and professional development expenses.

ELIGIBILITY

Federal Eligibility Requirements - Trainees must:

- Be a citizen or national of the United states; or
- Be a permanent resident of the United States or its commonwealths or territories, or
- Present U.S. Immigration & Naturalization Service documentation of being in the U.S. for other than a temporary purpose, with the intention of becoming a citizen or permanent resident.

Project Eligibility Requirements - Trainees must:

- 1) be a full-time student in good standing in the SDSU school psychology program or in a school credential program in speech-language pathology; and
- 2) experienced in other languages and/or culture(s).

PROJECT REQUIREMENTS

Trainees supported by this Project will complete an Autism Fieldwork and Seminar *each semester and in addition* to the general requirements of their graduate-credential program. This course includes the following:

- An intensive project seminar (Friday afternoons) including discussion of readings and field experiences, cross-disciplinary presentations.
- A transdisciplinary field experience: apprenticeship one morning a week *Weaving* of specialty content into regular program coursework, e.g., class discussions, papers, case study selections.
- Development & maintenance of a project portfolio.

Additional project requirements:

- Annual Autism Institutes;
- Autism conference;
- Participation in project business meetings and special activities (e.g., field trips);
- Participation in project evaluation procedures (e.g., completion of evaluation forms, meetings with external evaluators);

AFFIDAVIT

I hereby certify that: (a) I meet the eligibility requirements and have provided an honest portrayal of myself in the Project Application, (b) I understand and agree to meet all project requirements, (c) I understand that continued participation in and funding from this project is contingent upon satisfactory completion of project requirements and satisfactory progress in my graduate program, (d) I understand that involvement in and support by this project is for a maximum of two year, (e) this project carries a Service Obligation and I have completed that form, and (f) I have made a copy of this agreement for my own records (to be included in Project portfolio).

signature

date

please **print** your name here

student number