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Sam Sharpe
Teachers' College

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Undergraduate Prospectus

Special Education

Sam Sharpe Teachers' College has over forty (40) years of extensive experience in teacher training. We pride ourselves on producing high quality teachers who are equipped to meet the needs of every learner. Our programmes equip our graduates with new methodologies and technologies that are supported by cutting-edge local and international research.



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Built by the Government of Jamaica under the World Bank II programme, Sam Sharpe Teachers' College began operations on September 29, 1975. Sam Sharpe Teachers' College offers baccalaureate degrees in education in partnership with the University of the West Indies and graduate degrees in education with Central Connecticut State University.



Sam Sharpe Teachers' College is committed to providing a consistently high standard of training to produce lifelong learning professionals dedicated to rendering altruistic service and to be formidable change agents in the global environment. These professionals will be:

- Committed individuals empowered with the relevant knowledge, skills, values, attitude and pedagogy to be effective in their various fields;
- Self-directed and able to cope with the challenges concomitant with national and global trends;
- Devoted to enhancing the total development of their students;
- Empowered to be nurturers of the human and natural resources that would promote sustainable development.



To be recognized as the premier institution of higher learning, offering superior training and education to young professionals in our commitment to satisfying the needs and aspirations of this dynamic society through research, service and the demonstration of excellence.



BACHELOR OF EDUCATION DEGREE (B.ED.)

Special Education

Through the Faculty of Humanities and Education at the University of the West Indies, the College offers the Bachelor of Education Degree with a major in Special Education. The Bachelor of Education is a professional degree which is normally intended for practitioners in the field of education. The Special Education Programme prepares students to teach children between the ages 3+ and 14 who are challenged in one or more of the following ways: Hearing Impaired, Visually Impaired, Mentally Challenged or Learning Disabled

THE OPTIONS

- Mild and Moderate Disabilities
- Multiple Disabilities
- Deaf and Hard of Hearing

This specialization includes that range of subjects intended for those being trained as administrators of special education programmes, specialists in the treatment and care of persons with multiple disabilities, for the management of learning difficulties in regular classrooms or any other area warranting special attention.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Five (5) CXC/CSEC subjects including Mathematics, English Language (General Proficiency)

*N.B.: Preference will be given to applicants with more than five (5) passes inclusive of English Language and Mathematics. Applicants to the Bachelor of Education - Special Education major must have passes in a **Physical Science** subject (Biology, Chemistry, Physics, Integrated Science, Human and Social Biology) and a **Social Science** subject (History, Geography, Sociology, Religious Education etc)*

PROGRAMME COURSES

Special Education

- Introduction to the Education of Deaf & Hard of Hearing
- Sign Language 1
- Introduction to Audiology & Management
- Language & Literacy Development in Children Who Are Deaf & Heard of Hearing
- Administration & Management in Special Education
- Introduction to Exceptionalities
- Teaching Gifted & Talented Students
- Foundations of Special Education
- Behaviour Management for Special Needs Classrooms
- Teaching Students with Emotional Disturbance
- Managing Communication Disorders
- Teaching Academic Subjects to Students with Mild to Moderate Disabilities
- Transition Planning for Students with Multiple Disabilities
- Teaching Students with Physical and Health Impairments
- Specialized Techniques for Students with Multiple Disabilities
- Introduction to Curriculum for Students with Multiple to Severe Disabilities
- Basic Skills in Counselling
- Assessment in Special Education
- Information Literacy
- Introduction to Research
- Practicum
- Entrepreneurship
- Introduction to Literacy Development
- Media Literacy
- Citizenship
- Advanced Communication Skills
- Literacy Across The Curriculum
- Literature Appreciation
- Health & Family Life Education (HFLE)
- Music for Special Education