Certifying Online Virginia Educators

What is COVE?
Offered by the VCU Department of Special Education and Disability Policy, the COVE program provides online, graduate-level courses at a reduced tuition rate for special education teachers holding a valid conditional or provisional license in Virginia. These courses prepare participants for a five-year renewable license with an endorsement in special education-general education.

Other reasons to consider the COVE program include:

- Online and hybrid coursework fits into your busy schedule, not the other way around
- Program can be completed in five semesters — less than two years
- Curriculum approved by the Virginia Department of Education
- Stipend support available in addition to reduced tuition rate for COVE students

Our results

"The COVE program offers me an opportunity to work full-time while earning my license in special education. I don’t think I could have managed to do both if the program was not online."

- Student currently enrolled in the COVE program

800 special educators served to date

Contact us
Applications are currently being accepted - to apply, please visit go.vcu.edu/cove. For more information about COVE, contact Dr. LaRon Scott at scottla2@vcu.edu or (804) 827-4309.