Learning Disability Specialist

DESCRIPTION
This program will provide the necessary framework for individuals interested in acquiring the skills and training required to take on the role of educator for students with learning disabilities. This program has two streams, enabling course participants to specialize in either the Learning Strategies (LSLD) or the Assistive Technologies (ATLD) stream.

Learning Strategies stream - upon completion of this stream, graduates will be able to work with special education specialists to develop strategies appropriate for students with learning disabilities, to determine processing strengths and challenges, and to match recommendations from psychological assessments with academic accommodations.

Assistive Technologies stream - upon completion of this stream, graduates will have current skills and knowledge relating to assistive devices and software in order to assist persons with learning disabilities in academic settings.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES
This Learning Disability Specialist program is designed for educators who work with students with diagnosed learning disabilities. The program focuses on providing participants with methods and tools necessary for working with students who have significant information processing difficulties as they relate to organizational, analytical, comprehension, general study and coping skills.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS
The minimum requirements for admission to the Learning Disability Specialist Graduate Certificate programs are as follows:
- Minimum 2 or 3-year diploma or degree from an accredited postsecondary institution.
- It is recommended that the diploma/degree described above is related to the field of education.

This program builds on knowledge and training that participants would have attained in preparing for positions as educational assistants, resource teachers, learning strategists, disability counsellors, educational tutors or assistive technologists for students with learning disabilities and/or other positions that provide educational support for students with learning disabilities in the elementary, secondary, or postsecondary settings.

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS
Students pursuing both streams should contact the program officer regarding the elective courses prior to registering for GIC1161 or GIC1162.

HOW TO APPLY:
Students must register for this program. To do this, please contact Marlene Mcintosh at marlene.mcintosh@cambriancollege.ca or at 705-566-8101 x 7214.

TUITION FEE (CANADIAN STUDENTS)
Fees are charged per course and will vary accordingly.

TUITION FEE (INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS)
Fees are charged per course according to current international rates and will vary accordingly

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES
The book list is available on our website. Please go to www.cambriancollege.ca/continuing and scroll to the bottom of the page to find the Booklist - Off Campus Courses.
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PROGRAM OF STUDY

PRICES LISTED ARE FOR FALL/WINTER 2013

**All prices are approximate

GIC1155  Understanding Learning Disabilities  $210.65 tuition (no textbook)  
Prerequisite: none

GIC1156  Legal Foundations  $210.65 tuition (no textbook)  
Prerequisite: GIC1155

GIC1157  Introduction to Assistive Technology  $210.65 tuition (no textbook)  
Prerequisite: GIC1155

GIC1158  Introduction to Learning Strategies  $210.65 tuition (no textbook)  
Prerequisite: GIC1155

GIC1159  Professional & Ethical Practice  $210.65 tuition (no textbook)  
Prerequisite: GIC1156

Take the Learning Strategies or the Assistive Technology Stream

LEARNING STRATEGIES (LSLD) STREAM

LST1000  Learning Strategies - Academic  $210.65 tuition + $115 for textbook  
Prerequisites: GIC1157, GIC1158, GIC1159

LST1020  Learning Strategies - Efficiency  $210.65 tuition + $115 for textbook  
Prerequisites: GIC1157, GIC1158, GIC1159

LST1010  Learning Applications of Assistive Technology  $210.65 tuition (no textbook)  
Prerequisites: LST1000, LST1020

LST1030  Applied Study - Learning Strategies  $260.65 tuition (no textbook)  
Prerequisites: LST1010 plus 1 elective

ASSISTIVE TECHNOLOGY (ATLD) STREAM

AST1000  Text to Speech  $210.65 tuition + $115 for textbook  
Prerequisites: GIC1156, GIC1157

AST1010  Voice Recognition Software  $210.65 tuition + $115 for textbook  
Prerequisites: GIC1156, GIC1157

AST1020  Integrating AT with LS  $210.65 tuition (no textbook)  
Prerequisites: GIC1158, AST1000, AST1010

AST1030  Applied Study - Assistive Technologies  $260.65 tuition (no textbook)  
Prerequisites: AST1020 plus 1 elective

1 of the streams above  PLUS Choose 1 Elective:

GIC1161  Adults with ADHD and LD  $210.65 tuition (no textbook)  
Prerequisites: GIC1156, GIC1157, GIC1158

GIC1162  Developing & Delivering Workshops  $210.65 tuition (no textbook)  
Prerequisites: GIC1156, GIC1157, GIC1158

OR

Chose one course from the companion stream as your elective

**PLEASE NOTE: The textbook for AST1000, AST1010, LST1000, and LST1020 is the same book.

OTHER INFORMATION

The online and independent learning courses run several times a year.

These courses are designed to be taken part-time, but students can take 5 courses at a time to be considered a full-time load in most cases.

The courses can be taken in any order provided the pre-requisites are met.