

# Gifted Education Endorsement Now at CSU's West Center



Did you know....

...that the state of Ohio identifies students in seven areas of Giftedness: Superior Cognitive Ability; Specific Academic Ability in Math, Science, Social Studies, and Reading/Language Arts; Creative Thinking; and the Visual and Performing Arts (music, drama, dance, visual art)?

... that in 2004, over 16% of Ohio's students were identified and reported as gifted in one of the 7 areas? That's over 1.75 million students!!!

...that a gifted endorsement increases your value on the job market and to your school district?

...that you can add a gifted endorsement to your existing license with only 6 courses (including a practicum that can be completed in your current setting)?

...that you can complete the coursework in under 18 months?

Interested in further developing your abilities to meet the needs of your gifted, talented, advanced, and high-potential students?

Looking for courses that will apply toward licensure renewal but will also apply to your school and classroom work?

In Fall 2009, the sequence of six courses leading to a gifted education license will be offered at Cleveland State's West Center, conveniently located at 26202 Detroit Road (Exit Columbia Road off I-90).

The first course in the sequence, EGT 512, *Nature and Developmental Needs of Learners with Gifts and Talents*, will be held on Thursdays, beginning August 22, from 4:30 to 8:30. This course is also ideal for teachers and administrators who do not plan to earn a gifted education license, but want to increase their understanding of the field and of gifted students.

The course sequence will continue as follows:

SEMESTER	COURSE NO.	COURSE TITLE	PREREQUISITES
Spring 2010	EGT 513	Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment for Gifted Learners	EGT 512
Summer 2010	EGT 517	Creativity, Inquiry and Productive Thinking *	None
Summer 2010	EGT 519	Using Computers with Students with Gifts and Talents *	None
Fall 2010	EGT 518	Working with Students with Gifts and Talents, Their Families and Other Professionals	EGT 512 and EGT 513
Spring 2011	EGT 580	Practicum in Gifted and Talented Education	EGT 512, EGT 513, EGT 517, EGT 518 and EGT 519

\*Students wishing to get a head start may take these courses online in Summer 2009

For 11 additional credit hours (also available at our West Center), you can earn an M.Ed in Curriculum & Instruction with a Specialization in Gifted Education.

Questions? Want to talk to someone about how these courses might work for you? Please contact Dr. Susan Rakow, Director of the Graduate Program in Gifted Education at [s.rakow@csuohio.edu](mailto:s.rakow@csuohio.edu) or 216-523-7296. You may also visit our website at <http://www.csuohio.edu/cehs/departments/candf/gifted/>