This Program of Study must accompany the application for admission to the program. All courses must be selected with the written approval of a special education faculty advisor. Deviations from these guidelines for individual candidates must be approved in writing by the advisor on this official form. In addition, you must be admitted to this degree program before finishing your first 12 hours of graduate work.

Student Signature: ____________________________ Date: ____________

This program of study is appropriate for students who desire specialized training in autism-spectrum disorders for school-based populations. This certificate prepares candidates to serve as Autism support consultants to parents, teachers, direct care staff or others who support children with ASD. After taking the following courses, you may qualify for professional certificate as an Autism Support Professional (ASP).

If you are from a disability-related field, you may complete this plan as part of your graduate studies or as a stand-alone certificate. For this certificate, you need to take the following courses:

- **ESE 580** Introduction to Autism Spectrum Disorders (3 units)
- **DIS 519** Introduction to Positive Behavior Support *(or cross-listed equivalent: ESE 585, Introduction to Positive Behavior Support)* (3 units)
- **ESE 664** Methods in Special Education: Low Incidence/Severe Profound Disabilities (3 units)
- **ESE 681** Advanced Methods and Assessment in Special Education: Autism Spectrum Disorders (3 units)
- **ESE 608** Field Work Experience – Low Incidence (LI) (3 units)

Please be aware that some courses required for this certificate have pre-requisites you must also take. Check all course descriptions to find out.