



**Department of  
Higher Education**

John R. Kasich, Governor  
John Carey, Chancellor

**REQUEST AND RECOMMENDATION**

**Kent State University**  
Hearing Impaired Intervention Specialist License

**Request:**

Kent State University requests approval to offer a graduate level program leading to the Ohio Hearing Impaired Intervention Specialist License.

**Profile:**

Kent State University is a public university. The university was founded in 1910 with a specific mission to discover, create, apply and share knowledge, as well as to foster ethical and humanitarian values in the service of Ohio and the global community. Located in Kent, Ohio, the university has an enrollment of more than 22,000 undergraduate students and 5,500 graduate students.

**Accreditation/Authorization:**

Kent State University is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) until its next scheduled review in 2022. Kent State University's educator preparation programs are accredited by National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) until the next review in 2023.

**Background:**

Kent State University is submitting its Limited State Review request to ensure program alignment with Ohio standards and requirements. The program currently holds Specialized Professional Association (SPA) national recognition without conditions, which is a pre-requisite to Limited State Review. Programs leading to the Hearing Impaired Intervention Specialist License are valid for teaching students in prekindergarten through grade 12. Kent State University offers the program leading to the Hearing Impaired Intervention Specialist License at the graduate level.

**Recommendation:**

Kent State University's Hearing Impaired Intervention Specialist License preparation program meets the Chancellor's requirements for program approval and the State Board of Education's minimum standards for graduate level programs leading to the Hearing Impaired Intervention Specialist License. Approval is recommended for Kent State University's graduate level program leading to the Hearing Impaired Intervention Specialist License until the spring 2024 review cycle. It should be noted that the program is subject to periodic review by the Chancellor to ensure that the standards for Ohio licensure continue to be met.

End of Comment Period: April 28, 2017 at 2:45 PM  
No comments received, recommend approval

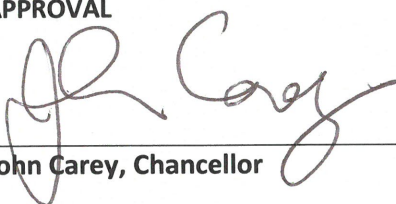
**RECOMMENDATION**

The Senior Director of Educator Preparation has verified that this institution has met the standards and requirements of the Ohio Department of Higher Education.

  
Jessica Mercerhill, Senior Director of Educator Preparation

5/2/17  
Date

**APPROVAL**

  
John Carey, Chancellor

5/11/17  
Date

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