

MSSE program receives grant

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NTID's Master of Science in Secondary Education of Students who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing (MSSE) program has been awarded a three-year grant from the U.S. Department of Education, Office of Special Education and Rehabilitation Services, Office of Special Education Programs. The grant, the "Preparation of Special Education, Related Services, and Early Intervention Personnel to Serve Infants, Toddlers, and Children with Low-Incidence Disabilities" Program, will provide tuition support to MSSE students and will assist the MSSE program to expand its partnerships with teachers in local school systems and help provide graduate assistantships for MSSE students.

The MSSE project, "Meeting the State and National Need to Increase the Number and Quality of Dually-Certified Secondary Teachers of Students who are Deaf or Hard-of-Hearing," is aimed at attracting high quality students to the MSSE program to prepare as dually certified teachers of secondary-level academic subjects (7-12) and students who are deaf or hard of hearing (K-12). Placing dually certified teachers in both mainstream schools and schools for the deaf will ensure that deaf or hard-of-hearing students will receive quality education in their secondary-level courses and thus will be better prepared to enter the world of work or to pursue their educational goals at the postsecondary level.

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