

Generalist: Transition Planning

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COURSE INFORMATION & COMMITMENTS

Experts in the field from the Institute for Community Inclusion (ICI) at the University of Massachusetts-Boston (UMASS-Boston) are the instructors for this course.

Generalist: Transition Planning is the first of two courses designed to instruct educators, family members, and adult agency personnel on the principle policies and practices related to transition planning for students with disabilities from the ages of 14 to 22 years old. Participants will develop the skills to establish and provide comprehensive transition education services. Participants will receive 67.5 PDP upon course completion and will have the option to purchase 3 graduate level credits at discounted rate through UMass Boston.

It also provides the opportunity to participate in rigorous pedagogical study and a supportive online professional community.

As a three credit graduate level course, participants are expected to dedicate between 4-7 hours per week to complete course work and interact online with other course participants and professors.

Participants enrolled in the fall 2009 course will have priority enrollment in the second course in the series. Individuals who complete both transition courses may have the opportunity to participate in a summer leadership seminar.

If you have any questions, please contact Nicole Doucette at ndoucette@doe.mass.edu or 781-338-3379.

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

1) Apply online at <https://www.keysurvey.com/survey/260463/6d98/>

Please note:

In order for the electronic application to process, participants are required to provide MassONE user IDs as part of the application. It is the responsibility of the applicants to obtain a MassONE account by communicating with the district MassONE administrator.

MassONE administrator contact information can be found at <http://massone.mass.edu/teachers/register.html>.

If you already have a MassONE account, and need to access your username or reset your password please go to:
<https://massone.doemass.org/passreset/startupAction.do>

2) Principal Support Statement (See Attachment) – by fax or mail

CRITERIA SELECTION

- Quality of application
- Appropriateness of role of applicant
- Support from principal

As space is limited, the Department will consider regional and district representation when selecting course participants and preference will be given to colleagues who apply from the same school.

Applications are due by September 17th and the course will tentatively begin the week of October 5th

**Massachusetts FOCUS Academy on MassONE
Principal Support Statement**

Applicant:

Course:

District:

School:

Principal:

Principal's Telephone Number:

Principal's E-mail Address:

I support the above named individual's participation in Massachusetts FOCUS Academy on MassONE.

Signature of Building Principal

Date

Please fax this form to 781-338-3371 or mail it to:

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