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APPLICATION TO THE 4+1 PROGRAM IN SPECIAL EDUCATION

Please note: This form is an internal application for admission to an accelerated Four Plus One (4+1) option at the University of Maine. This does not serve as an application or acceptance into the M.Ed. program.

This form must be submitted to Amanda Hafford and NOT to the Graduate School.

Please read carefully:

- ❖ Students are eligible for the 4+1 track when they have completed between 60 and 100 undergraduate credits.
- ❖ Admission decisions for the Four Plus One Track cannot be made until the complete application is received.
- ❖ All application materials become part of the permanent records of the University of Maine and are not returned.
- ❖ Students are required to take 12 credits (4 courses) of 400-level coursework in the area of Special Education during their undergraduate degree. *Students must achieve a B or higher in each course.*
- ❖ These credits will be transferred to the student's graduate record upon formal admission to the Graduate School and successful completion of the 4+1 curriculum.
- ❖ Students will officially apply to the M.Ed. in Special Education with the Graduate School application the semester before completing their undergraduate degree program.
- ❖ After completing their undergraduate program, students must apply to the Maine Department of Education for initial certification
- ❖ Students are required to be working or volunteering with students with disabilities before being accepted to the M.Ed. program.
- ❖ Once accepted, students will complete the M.Ed., full-time, through the University of Maine in one year.

Name _____ MaineStreet ID _____
(Last) (First) (Middle)

Maiden name or other names under which records may be filed _____

Mailing Address _____
(Street) (City, State) (Zip Code) (Country)

Phone Number _____ E-mail _____

Current undergraduate degree you are seeking: _____

What semester will you complete your undergraduate degree?

Proposed graduate program of study: **Master of Education in Special Education: High Incidence Disabilities**

List in chronological order all institutions of collegiate standing and location that you have attended. Include dates of entering and leaving degrees received or for which you are a candidate. The department will access transcripts from the University of Maine. Transcripts from other colleges and universities must be sent **directly** from these institutions to: **Amanda Hafford**, amanda.hafford@maine.edu

Name of Institution	Dates Attended	Major	Degree/Diploma	Date Received/Expected

Cumulative undergraduate average on a 4.0 scale (A=4):_____.

List the names and addresses of two people whom you are asking to send letters of recommendation. Letters of recommendation must be recent and must be written by people qualified, through personal experience with your academic work, to judge your capacity for advanced study. Current university instructors would be highly appropriate. Applicants should request the named people to send their recommendations directly to the Four Plus One Coordinator listed at the top of this application. Hard copy and/or electronic letters are acceptable.

Name	Address (include physical address, email, and phone)
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2.	

In the space below, compose a brief essay (300-500 words) to be read by the **Graduate Faculty Admissions Committee** that describes your academic and personal intentions and objectives. Identify any special interests you would like to pursue now or in the future. In your response, include any prior or planned employment or volunteering related to special education, students with disabilities, or education broadly.

REQUIRED SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT

Signature_____ Date_____

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