KU's Department of Special Education invites applications for the OSEP-funded leadership grant program: Preparing Leaders to Create Ambitious Educational Programs for Students with Severe Disabilities: Beyond De Minimis (KU LEAP).

Research Focus Areas
Key areas of research and teaching experience include secondary education and severe disabilities, particularly in the domains of inclusion, strengths-based approaches, access to general education curriculum, self-determination, and support needs assessment.

Scholar Benefits
- **Full tuition** package for 4 years of doctoral study
- **Stipend** and conference funding
- Instruction and **mentoring** from top-tier faculty
- Become part of KU's diverse community of scholars

KU LEAP Scholars
- **Develop skills** in research, teaching, and service to prepare for university level special education faculty positions
- Engage in rigorous and **relevant research** and transformational interventions
- Acquire **core competencies** to promote access to the general education curriculum, self-determination, and support needs assessment
- Experience **internships** that allow for meaningful application of research training
- **Publish** in peer-reviewed journals

KU LEAP Faculty Advisors
- Karrie Shogren, Ph.D. shogren@ku.edu
- Jennifer Kurth, Ph.D. jkurth@ku.edu
- James Thompson, Ph.D. jrthomp@ku.edu
- Michael Wehmeyer, Ph.D. wehmeyer@ku.edu

More Information
- [https://specialedu.ku.edu/academics/special-education/phd/graduate-admission](https://specialedu.ku.edu/academics/special-education/phd/graduate-admission)
- 785-864-4342

KU is an EO/AA Institution.

Applications accepted on a rolling basis. Space is limited. Apply now!