



## WHY CHOOSE BETHEL UNIVERSITY FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION

Feedback from anonymous survey respondents who have completed graduate-level educator preparation programs in Special Education at Bethel University reports that...

*“I have grown personally, professionally and spiritually as a result of my experiences at Bethel.”*

*“Overall, I felt this program prepared me to become a case manager and helped with paperwork, IEP goals and assessments. I felt like I had more knowledge of how special education works as well as how to appropriately assess student learning and plan lessons.”*

*“I received amazing support from all of my professors throughout -- something you do not always get at the college level.”*

*“I felt that it was very well-rounded with an excellent faith perspective on a Christ-like approach to loving and serving the whole child.”*

Following program completion, our teacher candidates rate their satisfaction with program quality, confidence in teaching preparation, and future plans through completion of the *Bush Exit Survey*. The feedback from our students is used to provide direction for program development and improvement and to ensure the integrity and accuracy of our reported student success.

**Bethel University program completers in education say they are very likely to recommend this program to other teachers.**

Survey Responses from Program Completers				(on a rating scale of 1–4)		
2023-2024				2024-2025		
	N	Mean	%	N	Mean	%
I would recommend my program to other teachers.	8	3.8	100% would recommend program	5	3.7	100% would recommend program

**Bethel University prepares 21<sup>st</sup> century classroom teachers who:**

- effectively teach curricula aligned with K-12 Minnesota State content standards
- acknowledge and target the needs of culturally and ethnically diverse students
- create and maintain classroom environments that promote student engagement

Survey Responses from Program Completers (on a rating scale of 1–4)				
	2023-2024		2024-2025	
	N	Mean	N	Mean
I am able to effectively teach the subject matter in my license area	8	3.9	5	3.7
I am able to effectively teach students from culturally and ethnically diverse backgrounds and communities	8	3.8	5	3.8
I am able to develop and maintain a classroom environment that promotes student engagement.	8	4.0	5	3.8

[Full report 2021 - 2025](#)