

# **College of Education and Human Development Division of Special Education and disAbility Research**

Fall 2021

EDAT 422 DL1: Assistive Technology for Individuals with Sensory Impairments CRN: 71787; 3 – Credits

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*Note:* This syllabus may change according to class needs. Teacher Candidates/Students will be advised of any changes immediately through George Mason e-mail and/or through Blackboard.

**Prerequisite(s):** None

**Co-requisite(s):** None

## **Course Description**

Provides an overview of specific technology and resources available to enhance and improve the ability of individuals who are visually impaired/blind or hearing-impaired/deaf.

## **Advising Contact Information**

Please make sure that you are being advised on a regular basis as to your status and progress in your program. Students in Special Education and Assistive Technology programs can contact the Special Education Advising Office at 703-993-3670 or speced@gmu.edu for assistance. All other students should refer to their assigned program advisor or the Mason Care Network (703-993-2470).

# **Advising Tip**

Are you interested in an AT minor? Submit your Minor Declaration (http://registrar.gmu.edu/wp-content/uploads/UMD.pdf), or contact the program for more information: atprog@gmu.edu.

## **Course Instructional Method**

EDAT 422 is an asynchronous online course. Using Blackboard, students are expected to complete assignments weekly and be engaged in course activities throughout the semester.

## **Course Delivery Method**

Learning activities include the following:

- 1. Class lecture and discussion
- 2. Application activities
- 3. Video and other media supports
- 4. Research and presentation activities
- 5. Electronic supplements and activities via Blackboard

This course will be delivered online (76% or more) using asynchronous format via the Blackboard Learning Management system (LMS) housed in the MyMason portal. You will log in to the Blackboard (Bb) course site using your Mason email name (everything before @masonlive.gmu.edu) and email password. The course site will be available on August 23, 2021

Under no circumstances, may candidates/students participate in online class sessions (either by phone or Internet) while operating motor vehicles. Further, as expected in a face-to-face class meeting, such online participation requires undivided attention to course content and communication.

## Technical Requirements

To participate in this course, students will need to satisfy the following technical requirements:

 High-speed Internet access with standard up-to-date browsers. To get a list of Blackboard's supported browsers see: <u>Browser support</u> (<u>https://help.blackboard.com/Learn/Student/Getting\_Started/Browser\_Support#support</u> <u>rted-browsers</u>)

To get a list of supported operation systems on different devices see: <u>Tested devices</u> <u>and operating systems</u> (<u>https://help.blackboard.com/Learn/Student/Getting\_Started/Browser\_Support#tested</u> -devices-and-operating-systems)

• Students must maintain consistent and reliable access to their GMU email and Blackboard, as these are the official methods of communication for this course.

- Students may be asked to create logins and passwords on supplemental websites and/or to download trial software to their computer or tablet as part of course requirements.
- The following software plug-ins for PCs and Macs, respectively, are available for free download:
  - o <u>Adobe Acrobat Reader (https://get.adobe.com/reader/)</u>
  - <u>Windows Media Player (https://support.microsoft.com/en-us/help/14209/get-windows-media-player)</u>
  - <u>Apple Quick Time Player (www.apple.com/quicktime/download/)</u>

# **Expectations**

• Course Week:

Because asynchronous courses do not have a "fixed" meeting day, our week will start on Monday and finish on Sunday.

- Log-in Frequency: Students must actively check the course Blackboard site and their GMU email for communications from the instructor, class discussions, and/or access to course materials at least 2 times per week.
- Participation:

Students are expected to actively engage in all course activities throughout the semester, which includes viewing all course materials, completing course activities and assignments, and participating in course discussions and group interactions.

• Technical Competence:

Students are expected to demonstrate competence in the use of all course technology. Students who are struggling with technical components of the course are expected to seek assistance from the instructor and/or College or University technical services.

• Technical Issues:

Students should anticipate some technical difficulties during the semester and should, therefore, budget their time accordingly. Late work will not be accepted based on individual technical issues.

• Workload:

Please be aware that this course is not self-paced. Students are expected to meet *specific deadlines* and *due dates* listed in the Class Schedule section of this syllabus. It is the student's responsibility to keep track of the weekly course schedule of topics, readings, activities and assignments due.

• Instructor Support:

Students may schedule a one-on-one meeting to discuss course requirements, content or other course-related issues. Students should email the instructor to schedule a oneon-one session, including their preferred meeting method and suggested dates/times.

• Netiquette:

The course environment is a collaborative space. Experience shows that even an innocent remark typed in the online environment can be misconstrued. Students must always re-read their responses carefully before posting them, so as others do not

consider them as personal offenses. *Be positive in your approach with others and diplomatic in selecting your words*. Remember that you are not competing with classmates but sharing information and learning from others. All faculty are similarly expected to be respectful in all communications.

• Accommodations:

Online learners who require effective accommodations to ensure accessibility must be registered with George Mason University Disability Services.

### **Learner Outcomes**

Upon completion of this course, students will be able to:

- 1. Define the issues and/or cultural perspectives and background related to the hearing impaired/deaf and visually impaired/blind populations as they relate to technology.
- 2. Identify environmental issues related to access for individuals who have vision or hearing impairments.
- 3. Locate resources available for hearing impaired/deaf and visually impaired/blind populations.
- 4. Compare the range of technology available for individuals with sensory impairments.
- 5. Conduct a customized training of how to use one piece of hardware or one piece of software technology designed for individuals with a sensory impairment, their family, or a professional who works with individuals.

### **Professional Standards**

This course is part of the George Mason University, School of Education, Assistive Technology Program. The Assistive Technology Program has developed program specific standards in accordance with NCATE requirements. The Assistive Technology Program Standards incorporate several elements within the professional standards from the Council for Exceptional Children (CEC), while also expanding upon them to meet the specific needs related to assistive technology. The primary AT Program standards that will be addressed in this class include the following: Standard 2: Knowledge and Skills and Standard 4: Practical Experience. \*NOTE: NCATE Assessments (in many but not all courses) may address additional AT Program standards.

## **Required Texts**

Siu, Y-T. & Presley, I. (2020). *Access Technology for blind and Low Vision Accessibility (2<sup>nd</sup> ed.)*. Louisville, KY: APH Press.

## **Recommended Texts**

American Psychological Association. (2020). *Publication manual of the American Psychological Association* (7th ed.). <u>https://doi.org/10.1037/0000165-000</u>

## **Additional Readings**

There will be a few required additional readings found in the learning modules.

## **Course Performance Evaluation**

Students are expected to submit all assignments on time in the manner outlined by the instructor (e.g., Blackboard, VIA, hard copy).

### VIA Performance-Based Assessment Submission Requirement

No required upload.

### Assignments and/or Examinations

Performance-based Assessment (VIA submission required)

### Sensory Device Instruction Project (30 points) – due November 29, 2021

Students are required to create an instructional plan (Sensory Device Instruction Project) for training the use of a device designed for individuals who have a sensory impairment. The purpose of this plan is to introduce the use of this device to a potential user (i.e., individual with sensory impairment, their parent or other family member, or a professional working with an individual with a sensory impairment). The designated sensory device must be approved by the instructor. The plan itself must be submitted as a text document and include the following:

#### a. Device Overview

Student provides a description of the sensory device. The description should include the purpose of the device, its features, and its vendor/contact information.

#### b. User Characteristics and Needs

Student provides a rationale for selecting the user/individual(s) for which they are designing the training. The student must list the prerequisite skills as well as the needs of the individual. Consideration of diverse needs of both the user in training as well as those that may be affected by the training should be addressed.

#### c. Customized Training

Student designs a training plan customized specifically for the user. The plan should include: *goal(s)* of the 1 hour training, *objectives* for each section or topic being trained and allocated timeframe for each, a listing of training *materials, procedural steps* for the training that integrates *evidence-based strategies* and *data collection,* and additional *resources* for the user to take with them following the training.

#### d. Demonstration

Student records a 2-3 minutes video documenting a portion of the training that shows the Student demonstrating the use of the sensory device. The video will accompany the Instructional Plan write-up as evidence the student has proficiency in device use.

#### e. Reflection

Student provides a reflection on the implementation of the sensory device training from both the student/instructor and the user/student perspective. The reflection will also include a listing of what would be done differently if the training were repeated, what steps should be taken if additional training was needed and what potential professional development needs that the Student/trainer might require to provide additional training.

### f. Community Impact

Student discusses the potential impact their device training could have on individuals with sensory impairments, their families, and communities across environments, settings, and life span.

## **College Wide Common Assessment** (VIA submission required) N/A

## *Other Assignments* Weekly Learning Module Activities (50 Points).

Students must access online class on Blackboard weekly and complete posted activities for all learning modules. Learning modules are divided into instructional lessons and lab activities. Lesson and lab activities may include weekly reading quizzes, PowerPoint presentations of content, Internet searches/research assignments, video exploration and viewing, community exploration, response tasks, and construction activities. All activities are due by the end of the module period (by Sunday midnight), unless otherwise specified in the learning module instructions. Each Learning Module will be worth will be worth 4 points for a total of 48 points (12 modules x4 points = 48 points). The final Module is worth 2 points for a total of 50 points.

## Assistive Technology Assessment Report (20 points) – Due October 24, 2021

Students are required to write an AT assessment report for individuals who have a sensory impairment. The assessment will be based on an individual the student is currently working with or using a case study provided by the instructor. Assessment templates and detailed instructions will be provided on Blackboard. Specific areas to be covered in the report include:

- Background information
- Purpose of the assessment
- Recommendations in the following areas:
  - Assistive technology devices and software
  - Instructional strategies and
  - o Environmental consideration

#### Assignment Summary

| Sensory Device Instruction | 30 points  |
|----------------------------|------------|
| Project                    |            |
| Assistive Technology       | 20 points  |
| Assessment Report          |            |
| Learning Modules           | 50 points  |
|                            |            |
| Total Points:              | 100 points |

# **Course Policies and Expectations**

# Attendance/Participation

Attendance: Students must login each week at least 2 times during the module time period (Monday – Sunday) in order to complete collaborative activities within the module. Due dates for all activities will be noted for each week.

Participation: Students are expected to actively engage in all course activities throughout the semester, which includes viewing of all course materials, completing course activities and assignments, and participating in course discussions and group interactions.

# Late Work

Late assignments will be given a 10% cost reduction per day following the due date. Students may be given the opportunity to resubmit an assessment however, they are not eligible for full credit.

| Grade      | Percentage |
|------------|------------|
| Α          | 95-100 %   |
| A-         | 90 - 94    |
| <b>B</b> + | 87-89      |
| В          | 83 - 86    |
| B-         | 80 - 82    |
| С          | 70 - 79    |
| D          | 60 -69     |
| F          | <60        |

# Grading

\*Note: The George Mason University Honor Code will be strictly enforced. See <u>Academic</u> Integrity Site (https://oai.gmu.edu/) and <u>Honor Code and System</u>

(<u>https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/honor-code-system/</u>). Students are responsible for reading and understanding the Code. "To promote a stronger sense of mutual responsibility, respect, trust, and fairness among all members of the George Mason University community and with the desire for greater academic and personal achievement, we, the student members of the university community, have set forth this honor code: Student members of the George Mason University community pledge not to cheat, plagiarize, steal, or lie in matters related to academic work." Work submitted must be your own new, original work for this course or with proper citations.

## **Professional Dispositions**

Students are expected to exhibit professional behaviors and dispositions at all times. See <u>Policies</u> and <u>Procedures (https://cehd.gmu.edu/students/polices-procedures/)</u>.

## **Class Schedule**

\*Note: Faculty reserves the right to alter the schedule as necessary, with notification to students.

| Module              | Topic(s)  | Readings & Assignments  |
|---------------------|---|---|
| Module 1            | Course Orientation &  | Readings:<br>Chapter 1 (pp. 15-34)  |
| Aug. 23 – Aug. 29   | VI and HI Characteristics   | Chapter 7 (pp. 243-253)<br>Appendix B Form (pp. 359-374)<br>(Siu & Presley 2020)  |
|                     |   | Assignment: Weekly Online Module<br>Activities Posted on Blackboard   |
| Module 2:           | Assistive Technology for Daily Living   | <u>Readings:</u><br>Materials provided in Module  |
| Aug. 30 – Sept. 5   | Resources for VI & HI   | Assignment: Weekly Online Module<br>Activities Posted on Blackboard   |
| Module 3:           | Technology for Communication<br>(Deaf & Hard of Hearing)  | <b>Readings:</b> Assistive Technology for Students who are Deaf or Hard of  |
| Sept. 6 - Sept. 19  | (Dear & Hard of Hearing)  | Hearing (Chapter 13) from Assessing<br>Students' Needs for Assistive<br>Technology (ASNAT) 5th Edition –<br>available online<br>http://sped.dpi.wi.gov/sped_at-wati-asnat |
|                     |   | Assignment: Weekly Online Module<br>Activities Posted on Blackboard   |
| Module 4:           | <ul> <li>Accessing Print Information – Visually</li> <li>Non-optical and optical devices</li> </ul>           | Readings:<br>Chapter 2 (pp. 35-67)<br>(Siu & Presley 2020)  |
| Sept. 13 - Sept. 19 | <ul><li>Video Magnification Systems</li><li>Scanning with OCR</li></ul>                                       | Assignment: Weekly Online Module<br>Activities Posted on Blackboard   |
| Module 5:           | Accessing Electronic Information<br>Visually  | Readings:<br>Chapter 2 (pp. 100-107)  |
| Sept. 20– Sept. 26  | <ul><li>Screen Magnification</li><li>Built-in Accessibility</li></ul>   | (Siu & Presley 2020)<br>Assignment: Weekly Online Module<br>Activities Posted on Blackboard   |
| Module 6:           | Accessing Print Materials and<br>Electronic Textbooks Auditorily  | Readings:<br>Chapter 2 (pp. 72-86)  |
| Sept. 27 - Oct. 4   | <ul> <li>Readers</li> <li>Audio Recordings</li> <li>Digital Audio Formats</li> <li>Reading Devices</li> </ul> | Chapter 5 (pp. 167-204)<br>Chapter 6 (pp. 205-238)<br>(Siu & Presley 2020)  |
|                     |   | Assignment: Weekly Online Module<br>Activities Posted on Blackboard   |

| Module            | Topic(s)                               | Readings & Assignments            |
|-------------------|--|-----------------------------------|
| Module 7:         | Understanding an Assessment Process    | Readings:                         |
|                   | and Submitting Your Assessment         | Chapter 2 (pp 61 – 72)            |
| Oct. 4 - Oct. 10  | Report Draft                           | Chapter 7 (pp. 243-255)           |
| 001. 4 001. 10    |  | Chapter 8 (pp. 257-281)           |
|                   |  | (Siu & Presley 2020)              |
|                   |  | Assignment: Weekly Online Module  |
|                   |  | Activities Posted on Blackboard   |
| Module 8:         | Accessing Electronic Information       | Readings:                         |
|                   | Auditorily and Tactually               | Chapter 3 (pp. 108-115, 115-131)  |
| Oct. 11 – Oct. 17 |  | Chapter 4 (pp. 133-166)           |
| 0ct. 11 - 0ct. 17 | Producing Written Communication        | (Siu & Presley 2020)              |
|                   | riddenig written communication         |                                   |
|                   |  | Assignment: Weekly Online Module  |
|                   |  | Activities Posted on Blackboard   |
| Module 9:         | Accessing Electronic                   | Readings:                         |
| iviouule 9.       | Information (Screen Reading)           | Materials provided in Module      |
| Oct 18 – Oct. 24  |  | -                                 |
| 001 10 - 001.24   | AT Assessment Report due Oct 25th      | Assignments: Weekly Online Module |
|                   |  | Activities Posted on Blackboard   |
|                   |  |                                   |
|                   |  | AT Assessment Report due Oct 24th |
|                   |  | 1                                 |
| Module 10:        | Strategies and Best Teaching Practices | Readings:                         |
|                   |  | Materials provided in Module      |
| Oct 25- Nov. 31   |  | 1                                 |
| OCI 23- $NOV. 31$ |  | Assignment: Weekly Online Module  |
|                   |  | Activities Posted on Blackboard   |
|                   |  |                                   |
| Module 11:        | Preparing a Technology Lesson          | Readings:                         |
|                   | Plan                                   | Materials provided in Module      |
| Nov. 1 - Nov. 7   |  |                                   |
|                   |  | Assignment: Weekly Online Module  |
|                   |  | Activities Posted on Blackboard   |
|                   |  |                                   |
|                   | Ludotos on Accossibility/Completing    | Readings:                         |
| Module 12:        | Updates on Accessibility/Completing    | Materials provided in Module      |
| Nov 9 Nov 14      | Your Paper                             | rituerius provided in Module      |
| Nov. 8 - Nov. 14  | Deview of Finel Design Carbonies       | Assignment: Weekly Online Module  |
|                   | Review of Final Project Submission     | Activities Posted on Blackboard   |
|                   |  |                                   |
|                   |  |                                   |
|                   |  |                                   |

| Module                                   | Topic(s)  | Readings & Assignments  |
|--|---|---|
| NOULIE IS.                               | Final Week of Class<br>Resources/Instruction on Submissions | <b>Readings:</b> Materials Provided in Module                                   |
| Nov. 15 – Nov 21                         | Individual appointments as requested                        | Assignment: Weekly Online Module<br>Activities Posted on Blackboard             |
| Nov. 22-Nov. 28<br>Thanksgiving<br>Break | Continue work on Final Project                              |   |
| Nov 29 –Dec. 5                           | Final Project due Nov 29th                                  | Assignment: Submit Final Project<br>Instructional Plan Due Nov 29 <sup>th</sup> |

# **Core Values Commitment**

The College of Education and Human Development is committed to collaboration, ethical leadership, innovation, research-based practice, and social justice. Students are expected to adhere to these principles: See <u>Core Values</u> (<u>http://cehd.gmu.edu/values/)</u>.

## **GMU Policies and Resources for Students**

## **Policies**

- Students must adhere to the guidelines of the Mason Honor Code.See <u>Honor Code and</u> <u>System (https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/honor-code-system/)</u>.
- Students must follow the university policy for Responsible Use of Computing. See <u>Responsible Use of Computing (http://universitypolicy.gmu.edu/policies/responsible-use-of-computing/</u>).
- Students are responsible for the content of university communications sent to their Mason email account and are required to activate their account and check it regularly. All communication from the university, college, school, and program will be sent to students solely through their Mason email account.
- Students with disabilities who seek accommodations in a course must be registered with George Mason University Disability Services. Approved accommodations will begin at the time the written letter from Disability Services is received by the instructor. See <u>Disability Services (https://ds.gmu.edu/)</u>.
- Students must silence all sound emitting devices during class unless otherwise authorized by the instructor.

### **Campus Resources**

- Support for submission of assignments to either Tk20 or VIA should be directed to <a href="https://cehd.gmu.edu/aero/assessments/">https://cehd.gmu.edu/aero/assessments/</a>
- Questions or concerns regarding use of Blackboard should be directed to <u>Blackboard</u> <u>Instructional Technology Support for Students (https://its.gmu.edu/knowledgebase/blackboard-instructional-technology-support-for-students/)</u>.

### Notice of mandatory reporting of sexual assault, interpersonal violence, and stalking:

- As a faculty member, I am designated as a "non-confidential employee" and must report all disclosures of sexual assault, interpersonal violence, and stalking to Mason's Title IX Coordinator per University Policy 1202. If you wish to speak with someone confidentially, please contact one of Mason's confidential resources, such as Student Support and Advocacy Center (SSAC) at 703-380-1434 or Counseling and Psychological Services (CAPS) at 703-993-2380. You may also seek assistance from Mason's Title IX Coordinator by calling 703-993-8730, or emailing the <u>Title IX Coordinator</u> (<u>titleix@gmu.edu</u>).
- For information on student support resources on campus, see <u>Student Support</u> <u>Resources on Campus</u> (<u>https://ctfe.gmu.edu/teaching/student-support-resources-on-campus</u>).
- For additional information on the College of Education and Human Development, please visit our website <u>College of Education and Human Development (http://cehd.gmu.edu/)</u>.

# Appendix

#### Assessment Rubric(s)

|              | Assessment       | <b>Does Not Meet</b> | Meets            | Exceeds          |
|--------------|------------------|----------------------|------------------|------------------|
|              | Criteria         | Expectations         | Expectations     | Expectations     |
| Device       | Indicator 2.4:   | Candidate fails      | Candidate        | Candidate        |
| Overview     | In conjunction,  | to identify          | identifies and   | identifies and   |
|              | candidates       | sensory              | introduces       | reviews sensory  |
| AT Program   | possess a        | device(s)            | sensory          | device(s)        |
| Standard 2.4 | repertoire of    | developed to         | device(s)        | designed to      |
|              | evidences-based  | provide              | designed to      | provide          |
|              | strategies to    | personalized         | provide          | personalized     |
|              | develop          | supports for         | personalized     | supports for     |
|              | personalized     | individuals with     | supports for     | individuals with |
|              | supports for     | sensory needs.       | individuals with | sesnory needs    |
|              | individuals with | -                    | sensory needs.   | across           |
|              | exceptional      |                      | -                | environments,    |

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|                 | Assessment            | Does Not Meet     | Meets           | Exceeds         |
|-----------------|-----------------------|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
|                 | Criteria              | Expectations      | Expectations    | Expectations    |
|                 | needs across          |                   |                 | settings, and   |
|                 | environments,         |                   |                 | the life span.  |
|                 | settings, and         |                   |                 |                 |
|                 | the life span.        |                   |                 |                 |
| User            | Indicator: 1.1        | Candidate fails   | Candidate       | Candidate       |
| Characteristics | Candidates            | to identify       | identifies      | identifies      |
| and Needs       | understand the        | characteristics   | salient         | salient         |
|                 | similarities and      | specific to those | characteristics | characteristics |
| AT Program      | differences in        | with              | of those with   | of those with   |
| Standard 1.1    | human                 | exceptional       | exceptional     | exceptional     |
|                 | development           | needs as it       | needs as it     | needs as it     |
|                 | and the               | relates to        | relates to      | relates to      |
|                 | characteristics       | typical human     | typical human   | typical human   |
|                 | between and           | development.      | development.    | development     |
|                 | among                 |                   |                 | across          |
|                 | individuals with      |                   |                 | environments,   |
|                 | and without           |                   |                 | settings, and   |
|                 | exceptional           |                   |                 | life span.      |
|                 | needs.                |                   |                 |                 |
| User            | Indicator 1.2:        | Candidate fails   | Candidate       | Candidate       |
| Characteristics | Candidates            | to identify       | identifies      | identifies      |
| and Needs       | understand            | specific and      | specific        | specific        |
|                 | how exceptional       | related           | characteristics | characteristics |
| AT Program      | conditions can        | characteristics   | of users who    | of users who    |
| Standard 1.2    | interact with         | of users who      | could benefit   | could benefit   |
|                 | the domains of        | could benefit     | from the        | from specified  |
|                 | human                 | from specified    | specified       | sensory         |
|                 | development           | sensory           | sensory         | device(s) based |
|                 | and consider          | device(s)         | device(s).      | on their        |
|                 | the impact of         |                   |                 | understanding   |
|                 | utilizing             |                   |                 | of exceptional  |
|                 | specific features     |                   |                 | conditions or   |
|                 | of assistive          |                   |                 | other human     |
|                 | technology            |                   |                 | factors.        |
|                 | devices and           |                   |                 |                 |
|                 | strategies to         |                   |                 |                 |
|                 | increase,             |                   |                 |                 |
|                 | maintain, or          |                   |                 |                 |
|                 | improve<br>functional |                   |                 |                 |
|                 | functional            |                   |                 |                 |
|                 | capabilities of       |                   |                 |                 |

|                 | Assessment       | <b>Does Not Meet</b> | Meets           | Exceeds          |
|-----------------|------------------|----------------------|-----------------|------------------|
|                 | Criteria         | Expectations         | Expectations    | Expectations     |
|                 | individual with  | -                    | -               | -                |
|                 | exceptional      |                      |                 |                  |
|                 | needs.           |                      |                 |                  |
| User            | Indicator 1.3:   | Candidate fails      | Candidate       | Candidate        |
| Characteristics | Candidates       | to consider how      | considers how   | considers how    |
| and Needs       | understand       | issues of human      | issues of human | issues of human  |
|                 | how issues of    | diversity can        | diversity can   | diversity can    |
| AT Program      | human            | impact               | impact          | impact           |
| Standard 1.3    | diversity can    | individuals,         | individuals,    | individuals,     |
|                 | impact           | families,            | families,       | families,        |
|                 | individuals,     | communities,         | communities,    | communities,     |
|                 | families,        | and cultures,        | and cultures,   | and cultures,    |
|                 | communities,     | and how these        | and how these   | and how these    |
|                 | and cultures,    | complex human        | complex human   | complex human    |
|                 | and how these    | issues can           | issues can      | issues can       |
|                 | complex human    | interact with        | interact with   | interact with    |
|                 | issues in the    | issues in the        | issues in the   | issues in the    |
|                 | delivery of      | delivery of          | delivery of the | delivery of the  |
|                 | assistive        | sensory              | sensory         | sensory          |
|                 | technology.      | device(s).           | device(s).      | device(s).       |
| Customized      | Indicator 2.4:   | Candidate fails      | Candidate       | Candidate        |
| Training Plan   | In conjunction,  | to identify and      | identifies and  | identifies and   |
|                 | candidates       | match an             | matches an      | matches an       |
| AT Program      | possess a        | appropriate          | sensory         | appropriate      |
| Standards 2.4   | repertoire of    | sensory              | device(s) to    | sensory          |
|                 | evidences-based  | device(s) based      | potential users | device(s) to     |
|                 | strategies to    | on individual        | based on        | potential users  |
|                 | develop          | and                  | individual and  | based on         |
|                 | personalized     | environmental        | environmental   | individual and   |
|                 | supports for     | needs.               | needs.          | environmental    |
|                 | individuals with |                      |                 | needs while also |
|                 | exceptional      |                      |                 | considering      |
|                 | needs across     |                      |                 | personal         |
|                 | environments,    |                      |                 | interests,       |
|                 | settings, and    |                      |                 | preferences,     |
|                 | the life span.   |                      |                 | values and       |
|                 |                  |                      |                 | cultural         |
|                 |                  |                      |                 | influences.      |
|                 |                  |                      |                 |                  |
|                 |                  |                      |                 |                  |
|                 |                  |                      |                 |                  |

|               | Assessment       | <b>Does Not Meet</b> | Meets            | Exceeds          |
|---------------|------------------|----------------------|------------------|------------------|
|               | Criteria         | Expectations         | Expectations     | Expectations     |
| Customized    | Indicator2.4: In | Candidate fails      | Candidate        | Candidate        |
| Training Plan | conjunction,     | to utilize           | utilizes         | utilizes         |
| 8             | candidates       | evidence-based       | evidence-based   | evidence-based   |
| AT Program    | possess a        | strategies to        | strategies to    | strategies to    |
| Standards 2.4 | repertoire of    | develop              | customize        | customize        |
|               | evidences-based  | personalized         | supports for     | supports for     |
|               | strategies to    | supports for         | individuals with | individuals with |
|               | develop          | individuals with     | exceptional      | exceptional      |
|               | personalized     | exceptional          | needs.           | needs across     |
|               | supports for     | needs.               |                  | environments,    |
|               | individuals with |                      |                  | settings, and    |
|               | exceptional      |                      |                  | the life span.   |
|               | needs across     |                      |                  |                  |
|               | environments,    |                      |                  |                  |
|               | settings, and    |                      |                  |                  |
|               | the life span.   |                      |                  |                  |
| Customized    | Indicator 3.3:   | If applicable,       | If applicable,   | If applicable,   |
| Training Plan | Candidates       | Candidate does       | candidate        | candidate        |
|               | identify         | not identify         | identifies the   | identifies the   |
| AT Program    | placement of     | physical             | physical         | physical         |
| Standards 3.3 | devices and      | placement of         | placement of     | placement of     |
|               | positioning of   | device(s) and        | device(s) and    | devices and      |
|               | the individual   | positioning of       | positioning of   | positioning of   |
|               | to optimize the  | the individual       | the individual   | the individual   |
|               | use of assistive | to optimize the      | to optimize the  | to optimize the  |
|               | technology.      | use of the           | use of the       | use of the       |
|               |                  | sensory              | sensory          | sensory device.  |
|               |                  | device(s).           | device(s).       |                  |
| Customized    | Indicator 3.7:   | Candidate fails      | Candidate        | Candidate        |
| Training Plan | Candidates       | to develop and       | develops and     | develops and     |
|               | develop and      | report plans to      | reports a plan   | reports a plan   |
| AT Program    | report plans to  | implement and        | to implement     | to implement     |
| Standards 3.7 | implement and    | monitor              | the use of the   | the use of the   |
|               | monitor          | outcomes of          | sensory          | sensory          |
|               | outcomes of      | interventions        | device(s) and    | device(s) and    |
|               | interventions    | and reevaluate       | monitor its      | monitor its      |
|               | and reevaluate   | and adjust the       | outcomes;        | outcomes;        |
|               | and adjust the   | sensory              | considering the  | considering the  |
|               | system as        | device(s) as         | possibility for  | potential for    |
|               | needed.          | needed.              | needing          | needing          |
|               |                  |                      | adjustments      | adjustments      |

|                | Assessment         | Does Not Meet      | Meets              | Exceeds                       |
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|                | Criteria           | Expectations       | Expectations       | Expectations                  |
|                | ontonia            | Lapeeturions       | and                | and                           |
|                |                    |                    | reevaluation.      | reevaluation.                 |
| Customized     | Indicator 4.1:     | Candidate fails    | Candidate          | Candidate                     |
| Training       | Candidates         | to apply           | applies            | applies                       |
| Implementation | apply              | knowledge and      | knowledge and      | knowledge and                 |
| Implementation | knowledge and      | skills to identify | skills to identify | skills to identify            |
| AT Program     | skills to identify | specific           | user/trainee       | user/trainee                  |
| Standard 4.1   | user needs and     | user/trainee       | needs to           | needs to                      |
| and 4.2        | customize          | needs, develop,    | develop,           | develop,                      |
| anu 4.2        | assistive          | and customize      | customize and      | customize and                 |
|                | technology tools   | sensory devices    | present the use    |                               |
|                | and strategies     | and strategies     | of the sensory     | present a range<br>of sensory |
|                | that are           | that are           | device(s) and      | devices and                   |
|                | meaningful and     | meaningful and     | strategies that    | strategies that               |
|                | useful.            | useful to          | are meaningful     | are meaningful                |
|                | useiui.            | individuals with   | and useful to      | and useful to                 |
|                |                    | exceptional        | individuals with   | individuals with              |
|                | Indicator 4.2:     | needs, their       | exceptional        | exceptional                   |
|                | Candidates         | families, and/or   | needs, their       | needs as well as              |
|                | provide            | their              | families, and/or   | their families,               |
|                | customized         | community of       | their              | and community                 |
|                | assistive          | support.           | community of       | of support.                   |
|                | technology         | support.           | support.           | or support.                   |
|                | training           |                    | support.           |                               |
|                | services to        |                    |                    |                               |
|                | individuals with   |                    |                    |                               |
|                | exceptional        |                    |                    |                               |
|                | needs, their       |                    |                    |                               |
|                | families, and/     |                    |                    |                               |
|                | or their           |                    |                    |                               |
|                | community of       |                    |                    |                               |
|                | support.           |                    |                    |                               |
|                | 2 appr 0           |                    |                    |                               |
| Demonstration  | Indicator 2.3:     | Candidate does     | Candidate is       | Candidate is                  |
|                | Candidates are     | not                | knowledgeable      | knowledgeable                 |
| AT Program     | knowledgeable      | demonstrate        | of and             | of and                        |
| Standard 2.3   | of and             | knowledge and      | demonstrates       | demonstrates                  |
|                | demonstrate        | proficiency in     | proficiency in     | proficiency in                |
|                | proficiency in     | the use of         | use of sensory     | use of a range                |
|                | use of a range     | sensory            | device(s).         | of sensory                    |
|                | of assistive       | device(s).         |                    | devices as well               |
|                |                    |                    | 1                  |                               |

| Γ             | Assessment       | <b>Does Not Meet</b> | Meets            | Exceeds          |
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|               | Criteria         | Expectations         | Expectations     | Expectations     |
|               | technology       |                      |                  | as evidence-     |
|               | tools.           |                      |                  | based strategies |
|               |                  |                      |                  | to develop       |
|               |                  |                      |                  | customized       |
|               |                  |                      |                  | supports.        |
| Reflection    | Indicator 5.1:   | Candidate fails      | Candidate        | Candidate        |
|               | Candidates       | to promote and       | promotes and     | promotes and     |
| AT Program    | promote and      | advocate for         | advocates for    | advocates for    |
| Standard 5.1  | advocate for     | the benefits of      | the benefits of  | the benefits of  |
|               | the benefits of  | continued            | continued        | continued        |
|               | continued        | implementation       | implementation   | implementation   |
|               | implementation   | of sensory           | of sensory       | of sensory       |
|               | of assistive     | devices and          | devices and      | devices and      |
|               | technology tools | strategies for       | strategies for   | strategies for   |
|               | and strategies   | individuals with     | individuals with | individuals with |
|               | for individuals  | exceptional          | exceptional      | exceptional      |
|               | with             | needs.               | needs.           | needs across a   |
|               | exceptional      |                      |                  | wide range of    |
|               | needs across a   |                      |                  | settings and     |
|               | wide range of    |                      |                  | based on         |
|               | settings and     |                      |                  | various needs.   |
|               | based on         |                      |                  |                  |
|               | various needs.   |                      |                  |                  |
| Reflection    | Indicator 2.5:   | Candidate fails      | Candidate        | Candidate        |
|               | Candidates       | to identify          | identifies       | identifies       |
| AT Program    | continuously     | specific and         | potential        | potential        |
| Standards 2.5 | broaden and      | relevant             | professional     | professional     |
| and 5.3       | deepen their     | professional         | development      | development to   |
|               | professional     | development          | opportunities to | acquire          |
|               | knowledge, and   | opportunities to     | acquire          | knowledge and    |
|               | expand their     | acquire              | knowledge and    | skills about new |
|               | expertise with   | knowledge and        | skills about new | developments     |
|               | assistive        | skills about new     | developments     | in sensory       |
|               | technology tools | developments         | in sensory       | devices, which   |
|               | and strategies.  | in sensory           | devices.         | may include      |
|               | 8                | devices.             |                  | participation in |
|               | Indicator 5.3:   |                      |                  | activities of    |
|               | Candidates       |                      |                  | professional     |
|               | prepare for      |                      |                  | organizations    |
|               | ongoing          |                      |                  | relevant to the  |
|               | professional     |                      |                  |                  |

| Assessment         | <b>Does Not Meet</b> | Meets        | Exceeds            |
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| <br>Criteria       | Expectations         | Expectations | Expectations       |
| development to     |                      |              | field of assistive |
| acquire            |                      |              | technology.        |
| knowledge and      |                      |              |                    |
| skills about new   |                      |              |                    |
| developments       |                      |              |                    |
| in assistive       |                      |              |                    |
| technology,        |                      |              |                    |
| which may          |                      |              |                    |
| include            |                      |              |                    |
| participation in   |                      |              |                    |
| activities of      |                      |              |                    |
| professional       |                      |              |                    |
| organizations      |                      |              |                    |
| relevant to the    |                      |              |                    |
| field of assistive |                      |              |                    |
| technology.        |                      |              |                    |