



## College of Education

### Special Education 5587 / 9287 Graduate Practicum End-of-Semester Reflective Essay

4-6 page (double-spaced) academic paper; 12-pt. Times New Roman font
APA formatting and citations
Well-organized and edited for grammatical and mechanical errors
Please share:
A brief summary of your placement context and practicum experience this semester
A description of how you've developed as a special education teacher through your practicum experience
An explanation of how theory has already and continues to inform your practice (with at least 3 citations)
Your successes and challenges during practicum in meeting your students' academic and social needs, in differentiating instruction, in motivating students academically, in managing the classroom environment and in addressing challenging behaviors
New insights, realizations, experiences, questions, and/or concerns about special education as a field or being a special education teacher
Your professional next steps – how will you build off of this practicum experience?
Please submit to Dr. Joseph Boyle by 5:00pm on Monday, April 24th via email, DropBox, or in-person