Critical Appraisal & Conduct of Systematic Reviews of Intervention Effects

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** Department Controlled Registration. Instructor Approval Required **



Instructor:

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Course Description:

Systematic reviews and meta-analyses are increasingly being used to make guide decisions when making intervention choices for children with disabilities. This doctoral seminar will be an experience-based course in which students will learn the characteristics of systematic reviews and meta-analyses and how to evaluate the quality and believability of these products. After gaining the knowledge of what makes a good systematic review, students will experience conducting a full systematic review of an intervention for children with disabilities.

The following experiences and competencies will be provided during the seminar:

- Question Formulation
- Production & Registration of Review Protocol
- Comprehensive Literature Search
- Reporting of Results
- Data Extraction
- Descriptive & Statistical Analysis

Who will benefit most from taking this course?

Any graduate student with a focus of providing intervention services to children with disabilities who are pursuing degrees in disciplines such as:

- Education
- Special Education
- Psychology

- Allied Health Sciences
- Nursing
- Etc.