



**Project FUTURE: Focus on the Underserved in Transition Using Rehabilitation and Education** is looking for future doctoral students in Rehabilitation Counselor Education and Special Education!!!

**What is Project FUTURE?**

**Project FUTURE** is a collaboration between Michigan State University's Special Education and Rehabilitation Counselor Education programs and Penn State University's Special Education and Counselor Education and Supervision programs to provide **4 years of funding (i.e., tuition, stipend, health insurance, research support) for 4 doctoral scholars at Penn State**. Scholars participate in a core curriculum focused on transition, learning to collaborate and work across service delivery systems to prepare students with Intellectual and Developmental Disabilities (IDD) for successful transition.

**Project FUTURE** uses an apprenticeship model to prepare scholars to **influence policy and practice through research and scholarship, teaching and supervision of future practitioners**, and outreach and service to their communities and the profession as faculty. **Project FUTURE** scholars will be prepared to lead the fields of special education and rehabilitation counseling with expertise in four competencies:



- (1) Culturally Responsive and Sustaining Evidence-Based Practices
- (2) Community-Based Participatory Research
- (3) Interagency and Family Collaboration
- (4) Disability Policy and Advocacy

**How does Project FUTURE support scholars?**

- Interdisciplinary and cross-university mentoring and collaboration
- Fully funded research opportunities
- 3 years of conference travel funding
- \$25,000 stipend + paid tuition
- \$2000 in moving expenses
- \$3000 for a laptop and software

**How to apply to Project FUTURE?**

You will apply to the doctoral program at the **Project FUTURE** site that you choose- each has their own admissions requirements and deadlines. **Penn State deadline for application is December 1, 2022.**

**Penn State Special Education Program:**  
<https://ed.psu.edu/special-education-phd>

**Penn State Counselor Education Program:**  
<https://ed.psu.edu/counselor-education-phd-program>

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