*This master’s degree program is designed to prepare for certification in orientation and mobility.* Content is presented through a combination of online and face-to-face coursework. Online. Online courses require completion of weekly Canvas modules, weekly synchronous meetings with the instructor, and field experiences with hands-on practice of specialized skills and strategies necessary for effectively teaching and assessing children who are blind or who have low vision. Direct work with one or more students with visual impairments is required in this program. Courses must be completed in the sequence provided on the course map. This course map reflects online and in person coursework, requiring students to be on campus each summer semester. Students will be expected to complete an internship their final Fall semester.

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| ***Semester*** | ***Course*** | ***Credits*** |
| Fall 1 | EVI 5317 Unified English Braille | 3 |
| EVI 5371 Foundations of Teaching Students who have Visual Impairments | 4 |
| Spring 1 | EVI 5368 Clinical and Functional Implications of Visual Impairment | 4 |
| Summer 1 | EVI 5310 Teaching Students with High Intensity Needs and Visual Impairments | 3 |
| EVI 5221 Applied Orientation and Mobility | 3 |
| EVI 5229 Foundational Elements of Orientation and Mobility | 3 |
| Fall 2 | EVI 5943 Orientation and Mobility Practicum (25hrs) | 2 |
| EVI 5228 History and Theory of Orientation and Mobility | 3 |
| Spring 2 | EVI 5355 Issues of Blindness in Society | 3 |
| EVI 5943 Orientation and Mobility Practicum (25hrs) | 2 |
| Summer 2 | EVI 5018 Students with Visual Impairments: Assessment Strategies | 3 |
| EVI 5227 Teaching O&M to Individuals with Unique Health Considerations  EVI 5226 Developmentally Appropriate Orientation and Mobility | 3  3 |
| EVI 5222 Advanced Orientation and Mobility | 3 |
| Fall 3 | EVI 5945 Internship Orientation and Mobility | 6 |
|  | **Total Credits** | **48** |

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**Program Website**

<https://annescollege.fsu.edu/vis-dis>

**Financial Aid**

Financial aid information can be found at: <https://financialaid.fsu.edu/>

**How to Apply to the Curriculum and Instruction: *Visual Disabilities Studies* Program.**

1. Click this link: <https://admissions.fsu.edu/gradapp/> and Apply for the ***Fall*** semester
2. Once you create an account, you should receive an email with a link to activate your account and a PIN.
3. Use the link you receive in your email to activate your account and click the login at the top of the screen. (You will need to enter the PIN and your birthdate to complete the login)
4. Enter your new password. Make sure to write it down and click “Set Password”
5. Click “Start New Application” and follow instructions to create and open your application.
   * You will be asked to submit your academic history (include all previously attended institutions, AA, and non-degree coursework) and additional academic information.
6. Fill in and complete the “Degree Program Information” as follows:
   * Application Term: (Choose Fall semester and year)
   * Application Type/Academic Level: Graduate Regular
   * Campus/Location: Tallahassee
   * Degree: Master’s Degree
   * Major: Visual Disabilities Studies– MS
7. Complete the Important Questions section, click “Continue”
8. Sign your application, click “Continue”
9. Review your application and click “Submit”
10. Pay your application fee to complete the application process. (Your application cannot be processed until you submit this fee.)

\*Please email Tim Puch ([tcp20u@fsu.edu](mailto:tcp20u@fsu.edu)) when your application has been completed.