



**University of Arizona  
Special Education - Visual Impairment Specialization  
2023 Fast Facts: Teacher of Students with Visual Impairments (TSVI) Program**

The University of Arizona (UArizona) offers a graduate-level program leading to specialization in teaching children who are visually impaired: teacher of students with visual impairments (TVIs). Our graduates are successfully employed in school districts, special schools, and agencies in Arizona as well as in other states across the country. Financial assistance is often available to students enrolled in this program through federal and state grant support. The 2023 Fast Facts include retention, graduation, and employment outcomes for the UArizona TSVI Program from January 2023 to December 2023. Highlights include:

**Retention:**

- 93% (23/26) of students were actively enrolled or have successfully completed the TVI program with good academic standing.
  - 61.5% (16/26) of students remain actively enrolled in the TVI program.
  - 27.0% (7/26) of students graduated/completed from the TVI program.
  - 11.5% (3/26) of students withdrew/dropped from the TVI program.
- 30.8% (8/26) of students were enrolled full-time in the TVI program.
- 69.2% (18/26) of students were enrolled part-time in the TVI program.

**Graduation:**

- 7 students completed/graduated from the TVI program.
  - 57.1% (4/7) of students completed the program in less than 4 semesters.
  - 42.9% (3/7) of students completed the program in 4 or more semesters.

**Employment:**

- 86% (6/7) of graduates were employed as TVIs upon graduation/completion of the visual impairment specialization program.
- 100% (7/7) of graduates were employed in the field of special education upon graduation/completion of the visual impairment specialization program.

It is an honor to work with our local stakeholders and community members as we continue to prepare future TVIs in providing quality educational services to students with visual impairments and their families. If you have questions regarding the UArizona Visual Impairment Specialization Program, please reach out via email to [Dr. Garrison Tsinajinie](mailto:Dr. Garrison Tsinajinie).

Respectfully,

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