

Ms. Samantha Shiver

Special Programs Director

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Samantha Shiver is a Georgia native who relocated to Missouri in 2011. She is an educator, licensed social worker, and instructional leader with over 15 years of experience serving students, families, and school communities across Missouri, Kansas, and Georgia. She joined the SLLIS community in 2022 and has served as School Social Worker, Special Education Support, and Instructional Coach. Throughout her career, Ms. Shiver has worked across a variety of educational settings, developing a strong foundation in special education, school social work, instructional practice, and systems-level support. She also helped found a charter school in St. Louis, where she supported the development of the special education program and served as Special Education and 504 Coordinator.

Ms. Shiver holds a Bachelor of Social Work from Georgia State University, a Master of Social Work in Administrative and Advocacy Practice from the University of Kansas, and a Master of Education in Special Education from the University of Missouri–St. Louis. She is currently pursuing an Education Specialist degree in Educational Administration at UMSL. She is a licensed master social worker (LMSW) in Missouri and holds Missouri certifications in mild/moderate cross-categorical special education (K-12), early childhood special education (B-3), and middle school mathematics (5-8).

Ms. Shiver is a student-centered leader who is passionate about bridging special education, social work, and instructional leadership to support the whole child, establish and maintain high behavioral and academic expectations, and ensure all students have access to an excellent education.