

# CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION (ED.S.) - SPECIAL EDUCATION

**Important:** This degree plan is effective for those starting this degree program in fall 2022 through summer 2023. This degree plan will remain in effect for students who do not break enrollment or who do not change degree programs, concentrations, or cognates.

This is a non-licensure degree and is not a state-approved program. Completion of this degree will not lead to the eligibility of a VA state teaching license or a teaching license or certificate in any other state.

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Education Theory Courses</b>		
EDUC 701	Advanced Learning Theory and Research	3
Choose three credit hours of the following:		3
EDUC 703	Theories of Historical and Social Foundations of Education	
EDUC 741	Theories of Educational Leadership <sup>1</sup>	
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>6</b>

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Curriculum &amp; Instruction Core</b>		
Choose nine credit hours of the following:		9
EDUC 730	Issues & Trends in Learning Technologies <sup>1</sup>	
EDUC 735	Issues and Trends in Curriculum and Instruction	
EDUC 771	Curriculum Theory	
EDUC 871	Investigations in Curriculum Change	
EDUC 872	Research in Curriculum Design and Development	
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>9</b>

<sup>1</sup> Intensive format optional

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Special Education Cognate</b>		
EDUC 721	Issues and Trends in Exceptionality	3
Choose six credit hours of the following:		6
EDUC 620		
EDUC 621	Educational Assessment for Special Needs	
EDUC 624	Instructional Methods for Behavior and Learning	
EDUC 629	Technology and Diversity	
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>9</b>

Code	Title	Hours
<b>Research &amp; Evaluation Courses</b>		
EDUC 750	Survey of Educational Research	3
EDUC 798	Advanced Research and Writing <sup>1</sup>	3
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>6</b>

<sup>1</sup> Capstone course to be taken in the final semester

*All applicable prerequisites must be met*

## Graduation Requirements

- Complete 30 hours
- A maximum of 50% of a post-graduate and doctoral degree may be transferred if approved and allowable, including credit from an earned degree from Liberty University on the same academic level
- 3.0 GPA
- No more than one grade of C may be applied to the degree (includes grades of C+ & C-)
- No grade of D or below may be applied to the degree (includes grades of D+ & D-)
- Degree must be completed within 5 years
- Submission of Degree Completion Application must be completed within the last semester of a student's anticipated graduation date

## Program Offered in Online Format