

# CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION (ED.S.)

**Important:** This degree plan is effective for those starting this degree program in fall 2025 through summer 2026. 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>Program Courses</b>		
<i>Education Theory Courses</i>		
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	Philosophy of Leadership in Diverse Educational Settings <sup>1</sup>	
<i>Curriculum &amp; Instruction Core</i>		
Choose nine credit hours from 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	
<i>Elective Courses</i>		
Choose 6 credits from a 600-800 level EDUC course <sup>2</sup>		6
Choose 3 credits from a 600-800 level EDUC course		3
<i>Research &amp; Evaluation Courses</i>		
EDUC 750	Survey of Educational Research	3
EDUC 798	Advanced Research and Writing <sup>3</sup>	3
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>30</b>

<sup>1</sup> Intensive format optional.

<sup>2</sup> It is strongly recommended that the student choose from the following courses not already applying to the degree: EDUC 730, EDUC 735, EDUC 771, EDUC 871, or EDUC 872.

<sup>3</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 Course Sequence

<b>First Year</b>		
<b>First Semester</b>		<b>Hours</b>
EDUC 701	Advanced Learning Theory and Research	3
EDUC 703 or EDUC 741	Theories of Historical and Social Foundations of Education or Philosophy of Leadership in Diverse Educational Settings	3
Core Elective <sup>1</sup>		3
Education Elective <sup>2,3</sup>		3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>12</b>
<b>Second Semester</b>		
EDUC 750	Survey of Educational Research	3
Core Elective <sup>1</sup>		3
Education Elective <sup>2,3</sup>		3
Education Elective <sup>2,3</sup>		3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>12</b>
<b>Third Semester</b>		
EDUC 798	Advanced Research and Writing	3
Core Elective <sup>1</sup>		3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>6</b>
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>30</b>

<sup>1</sup> Choose one course from the following: EDUC 730, EDUC 735, EDUC 771, EDUC 871, or EDUC 872.

<sup>2</sup> Choose a 600-800 level EDUC course not already required in the Major.

<sup>3</sup> It is strongly recommended that the student choose from the following courses not already applying to the degree: EDUC 730, EDUC 735, EDUC 771, EDUC 871, or EDUC 872.