

GIFTED EDUCATION - GRADUATE CERTIFICATE

Program Offered in Online Format

Important: This certificate plan is effective for those starting in the fall 2025 through summer 2026. This certificate plan will remain in effect for students who do not break enrollment or who do not change certificates.

Upon completion of this program, candidates who have a current initial license issued by the Virginia Board of Education are eligible for an Add-on Endorsement in Gifted Education.

Code	Title	Hours
Core Courses		
EDGL 526	Identification and Education of the Gifted Learner	3
EDGL 619	Supporting the Social, Emotional, and Guidance Needs of the Gifted	3
EDGL 620	Curriculum and Methods for Teaching Gifted Learners ¹	3
EDGL 627	Program Design and Services in Gifted Education	3
Total Hours		12

¹ Candidates seeking the Gifted Education should take EDGL 598 as a co-requisite with EDGL 620

Code	Title	Hours
Field Experience Course		
EDGL 598	Field Experience Practicum: Gifted Learners ^{1,2,3,4,5}	0
Total Hours		0

¹ Candidates seeking the Gifted Endorsement should take EDGL 598 as a co-requisite with EDGL 620

² EDGL 598 requires a 45 hour practicum

³ EDGL 598 requires the cleared background check

⁴ EDGL 598 should not be taken during summer terms due to limited field placement availability

⁵ If a candidate is not seeking to fulfill the licensure practicum requirement, he/she may contact soelicensure@liberty.edu for opt out course availabilities

Notes

- Candidates who want to apply certificate courses to a graduate degree program will have to abide by the GPA and grade requirements of that degree

Completion Requirements

- 12 total hours
- A maximum of 50% of the program hours may be transferred if approved and allowable
- 2.0 GPA
- No grade of D may be applied to the degree (includes grades of D+ & D-)
- Certificate must be completed within 3 years
- Submission of Certificate Completion Application must be completed within the last semester of a student's anticipated graduation date