TEACHING (M.A.T.) - ELEMENTARY EDUCATION (45 HRS.) - SPECIAL EDUCATION GENERAL CURRICULUM (K-6) ADD-ON

Important: This degree plan is effective for those starting this degree program in fall 2020 through summer 2021. This degree plan will remain in effect for students who do not break enrollment or who do not change degree programs, concentrations, or cognates.

After completion of the required program coursework (including student teaching), content competencies (if applicable), and the passing of licensure tests, the graduate of this program would be eligible for a VA teaching license, content competencies (if applicable), and the passing of the licensure tests. The graduate of this program would be eligible for a VA teaching license with endorsements in Elementary Education and Special Education General Curriculum (K-6).

### Code | Title | Hours
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**Initial Education Core Courses**
EDUC 504 | Educational Philosophy and Theories of Learning | 3
EDUC 510 | Instructional Strategies for Diverse Learners | 3
EDUC 606 | Tests and Measurements | 3
EDUC 623 | Principles of Behavior Management | 3
**Total Hours** | **12**

1 EDUC 530 Teaching Mathematics (3 c.h.) must be taken in the same semester as EDUC 688 Initial Licensure Practicum II (0 c.h.)
2 Background check clearance required (EDUC 530 Teaching Mathematics (3 c.h.), EDUC 554 Reading and Language Acquisition (3 c.h.), EDUC 588 Initial Licensure Practicum I (0 c.h.), EDUC 688 Initial Licensure Practicum II (0 c.h.); EDST 590 Student Teaching Local (3 c.h.), EDST 591 Student Teaching Local – Own Classroom (3 c.h.), EDST 592 Student Teaching External (3 c.h.), EDST 593 Student Teaching External – Own Classroom (3 c.h.); EDSP 525 Transition and Assessment for Exceptional Learners (3 c.h.), EDSP 688 Practicum in Special Education II: External (0 c.h.)
3 EDSP 525 Transition and Assessment for Exceptional Learners (3 c.h.) must be taken in the same semester as EDSP 688 Practicum in Special Education II: External (0 c.h.)

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EDUC 530 | Teaching Mathematics | 3
EDUC 554 | Reading and Language Acquisition | 3
EDUC 634 | Teaching Science in the Elementary School | 3
EDUC 636 | Teaching Social Studies in the Elementary School | 3
**Total Hours** | **12**

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EDSP 525 | Transition and Assessment for Exceptional Learners | 3
**Total Hours** | **9**

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EDSP 525 | Transition and Assessment for Exceptional Learners | 3
**Total Hours** | **9**

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### Code | Title | Hours
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EDUC 571 | Curriculum Fundamentals | 3
EDUC 632 | Literacy and Language Instruction | 3
**Total Hours** | **6**

### Code | Title | Hours
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EDSP 525 | Transition and Assessment for Exceptional Learners | 3
**Total Hours** | **3**

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### Notes

- Competencies must be met prior to student teaching. Refer to the Elementary Content Competency Chart.

**All applicable prerequisites must be met**

### Graduation Requirements

- Complete 45 hours
- A maximum of 50% of the program hours 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 two grades 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**