

SPECIAL EDUCATION (B.ED.) - RESIDENT

Important: This degree plan is effective for those starting this degree program in fall 2023 through summer 2024. This degree plan will remain in effect for students who do not break enrollment or who do not change degree programs, concentrations, or cognates.

General Education/Foundation Skills Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Communication & Information Literacy		
COMS 101	Speech Communication	3
ENGL 101	Composition and Rhetoric	3
ENGL 102	Composition and Literature	3
HIUS 221	Survey of American History I	3
INQR 101	Inquiry	1
Technological Solutions & Quantitative Reasoning ¹		
MATH 117	Elements of Mathematics	3
UNIV 101	Foundational Skills	1
Technology Competency ²		0-3
Critical Thinking		
ENGL 201	American Literature I	3
RLGN 105	Introduction to Biblical Worldview ³	2
RSCH 201	Research	3
Civic & Global Engagement		
CSTU 101	Western Culture	3
EVAN 101	Evangelism and the Christian Life ³	2
Social & Scientific Inquiry		
PHYS 101	Elements of Physics	3
PSYC 210	Developmental Psychology	3
Christianity & Contexts		
BIBL 105	Old Testament Survey	2
BIBL 110	New Testament Survey	2
THEO 201	Theology Survey I ³	2
THEO 202	Theology Survey II ³	2
Total Hours		44-47

¹ Refer to the list of approved general education electives before enrolling in foundational skill requirements

² All students must pass the Computer Assessment OR complete applicable INFT course

³ Students transferring in 45 or more UG credit hours will have the requirements of RLGN 105 Introduction to Biblical Worldview (2 c.h.) and EVAN 101 Evangelism and the Christian Life (2 c.h.) waived; Students transferring in 60 or more UG credit hours will also have the requirements of THEO 201 Theology Survey I (2 c.h.) and THEO 202 Theology Survey II (2 c.h.) waived

After completion of the required program coursework (including student teaching) and the passing of licensure tests, the graduate of this program would be eligible for a VA state teaching license in Special Education General Curriculum.

Major Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
Major Foundational Courses		
BIOL 101	Principles of Biology	3
BIOL 103	Principles of Biology Laboratory	1
GEOG 200	Introduction to Geography	3
GOVT 200	Constitutional Government and Free Enterprise	3
HIEU 202	History of Western Civilization II	3
MATH 121	College Algebra	3
MATH 217	Elementary Geometry	3
PHSC 210	Elements of Earth Science	3
PHYS 103	Elements of Physics Lab	1
Total Hours		23
Major Core		
<i>Special Education Courses</i>		
EDSP 323	Special Education Law and Characteristics	3
EDSP 363	Behavior Management	3
EDSP 413	Inclusion and Diversity: Effective Practices and Strategies	3
EDSP 473	Assessment and Transition Planning for Diverse Learners	3
EDUC 201	Introduction to Education and Classroom Technology	3
EDUC 225	Instructional Design for Elementary & Middle School Classrooms	3
EDUC 315	Instructional Approaches to Literature for Children and Adolescents	3
EDUC 318	Teaching Reading to Diverse Learners	3
EDUC 319	Teaching Writing and Language Arts to Diverse Learners	3
EDUC 323	Teaching Elementary and Middle School Mathematics	3
EDUC 350	Behavior and Individual Differences	3
EDUC 360	Foundations of Education	3
EDUC 410	Elementary School Curriculum	3
EDUC 415	Diagnostic Measurement and Evaluation	3
<i>Practicum and Gate Courses</i>		
EDGT 177	School of Education Gate 1 – UG Initial Licensure – Local	0
EDGT 277	School of Education Gate 2 – UG Initial Licensure – Local	0
EDGT 377	School of Education Gate 3 – UG Initial Licensure – Local	0
EDUC 189	Practicum in Education I: Local ¹	0
EDUC 289	Practicum in Education II: Local ¹	0
EDSP 489	Practicum in Special Education: Local ¹	0
<i>Professional Semester</i>		
EDST 477	The Reflective Educator: Resource Seminar	3
<i>Choose one of the following: ¹</i>		9
EDST 462	Student Teaching - Two Placement – Distance	
EDST 463	Student Teaching - Two Placement – Local	

Code	Title	Hours
EDST 464	Student Teaching - Own Classroom – Distance	
EDST 465	Student Teaching - Own Classroom – Local	
EDST 468	Student Teaching - Multiple Endorsement - Two Placement – Distance	
EDST 469	Student Teaching - Multiple Endorsement - Two Placement – Local	
Total Hours		54

¹ Liberty University School of Education Background check is required for all practicums and student teaching.

Note:

- All practicum courses should be completed before student teaching, and candidate should not plan to take those courses in summer terms.

All applicable prerequisites must be met

Graduation Requirements

- 121 Total hours
- 3.0 Overall grade point average
- 30.25 Hours must be upper-level courses (300-400 level)
- **Grade of 'C'** Minimum required for all upper-level courses in the major
- 25% Of major taken through Liberty University
- 30.25 Hours must be completed through Liberty University
- **Grad App** Submission of Degree Completion Application must be completed within the last semester of a student's anticipated graduation date
- **CSER** All requirements must be satisfied before a degree will be awarded