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Bachelor of Science Degree in Special Education (B.S. Ed.), Adapted K-12 Curriculum

- ❖ **Mason Core, 37 credits**
- ❖ **Special Education Core, 45 credits**
- ❖ **Adapted K-12 Licensure Concentration, 19 credits**
- ❖ **General Electives, 19 credits**

Total: 120 Credits

- ❖ **Mason Core, 37 credits** - for current list of approved courses: catalog.gmu.edu/mason-core/

Written Communication (ENGH 101) – 3 Credits	Arts – 3 Credits
Written Communication (ENGH 302) – 3 Credits	Western Civilization – 3 Credits
Oral Communication – 3 Credits	Social and Behavioral Sciences (EDSE 203 recommended) – 3 Credits
Information Technology – 3 Credits	Global Understanding (EDSE 204 recommended) – 3 Credits
Quantitative Reasoning – 3 Credits	Natural Science – 7 Credits
Literature – 3 Credits	• 4 credit lab / 3 credit non-lab

- ❖ **Special Education Core, 45 credits**

EDUC 200	Introduction to Education: Teaching, Learning and Schools – 3 Credits
EDUC 302 or PSYC 211	Human Growth and Development/Developmental Psychology – 3 Credits
EDSE 201	Introduction to Special Education – 3 Credits
EDSE 251	Classroom Management and Positive Behavior Supports – 3 Credits
EDSE 351	Technology Integration for Specialized Instruction – 3 Credits
EDSE 352	Assessment – 3 Credits
EDSE 353	Individualized Behavior Supports – 3 Credits
EDSE 354	Consultation and Collaboration – 3 Credits
EDSE 381	Exploratory Field Experience in Special Education – 3 Credits
EDSE 451	Transition and Self-Determination – 3 Credits
EDSE 452	Intersectionality and Disability (Writing Intensive) – 3 Credits
EDSE 483	Internship: Adapted (Capstone) – 12 Credits

- ❖ **Concentration in degree: Adapted K-12 Licensure, 19 credits**

EDSE 361	Characteristics of Students with Severe Disabilities - 3 credits
EDSE 362	Communication with Severe Disabilities - 3 credits
EDSE 463	Curriculum and Methods in Severe Disabilities - 3 credits
EDSE 465	Clinical Practice and Seminar 1: Adapted - 2 credits
EDSE 466	Clinical Practice and Seminar 2: Adapted - 2 credits
EDSE 467	Foundations of Language and Literacy for Individuals with Severe Disabilities - 3 credits
EDSE 469	Interdisciplinary Approach for Children with Sensory and Motor Disabilities - 3 credits

- ❖ **Non-Coursework Requirements:**

- **VCLA**
- **Praxis Core Math**
- **Emergency first-aid, CPR, and AED Certification**

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❖ Suggested Academic Plan (to be supplemented by Mason Core and Electives)

Semester	Adapted Curriculum Concentration	Credits	Prerequisites
1 st Year Fall	Mason Core/Electives	Total: 15	
1 st Year Spring	Mason Core/Electives	Total: 15	
2 nd Year Fall	EDSE 201: Introduction to Special Education	3	
	EDUC 200: Introduction to Education: Teaching, Learning and Schools	3	
	Mason Core/Electives	9	
		Total: 15	
2 nd Year Spring	EDSE 251: Classroom Management and Positive Behavior Supports	3	
	PSYC 211: Developmental Psychology or EDUC 302: Human Growth and Development	3	
	EDSE 361: Characteristics of Students with Severe Disabilities	3	
	Mason Core/Electives	6	
		Total: 15	
3 rd Year Fall	EDSE 352: Assessment	3	
	EDSE 362: Communication with Severe Disabilities	3	
	EDSE 381: Exploratory Field Experience in Special Education	3	EDSE 201
	General Electives	6	
		Total: 15	
3 rd Year Spring	EDSE 353: Individualized Behavior Supports	3	
	EDSE 354: Consultation and Collaboration	3	
	EDSE 463: Curriculum and Methods in Severe Disabilities	3	
	EDSE 465: Clinical Practice and Seminar 1: Adapted	2	
	General electives	4	EDSE 381
		Total: 15	
4 th Year Fall	EDSE 451: Transition and Self-Determination	3	
	EDSE 466: Clinical Practice and Seminar 2: Adapted	2	EDSE 465
	EDSE 467: Foundations of Language and Literacy for Individuals with Severe Disabilities	3	
	EDSE 452: Intersectionality and Disability	3	
	EDSE 469: Interdisciplinary Approach for Children with Sensory and Motor Disabilities	3	
	General Electives	1	
		Total: 15	
4 th Year Spring	EDSE 483: Internship: Adapted (Severe Disabilities) Capstone	12	EDSE 466
	EDSE 351: Technology Integration for Specialized Instruction	3	EDSE 201
		Total: 15	

- ❖ Academic Requirements: 120 total credits; 45 Upper Level Credits Hours, 30 Hours (12 upper level) for GMU Residency Requirement; completion of Mason Core courses; cumulative GPA of at least 2.0; GPA of 2.5 in major coursework and a C or better in all major and concentration coursework.