



College of Education and Human Development
 Special Education and Disability Research
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BSed Special Education, Concentration TBD (2025-2026 Catalog Year)

Name:

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Date:

Academic Requirements: 120 total credits; C or higher to meet pre-requisite requirements; 45 upper-level credits; completion of Mason Core; minimum of a 2.5 cumulative GPA for licensure or minimum 2.0 for non-licensure pathway. Major and Concentration coursework limited to two attempts.

- **Mason Core (37 credits):** For current list of approved courses, see the [catalog](#).
- **Electives (credits vary depending on concentration):** Select any courses.
- **Special Education Major (45 credits)**
- **Concentration (credits vary depending on concentration)**

Academic Plan – Year 1 & 2

Semester		Courses	Credits	Requirement	Prerequisites
Major and concentration courses should be taken in order. Your course sequence for Electives and Mason Core is flexible other than English classes (ENGH 101, Literature, ENGH 302) which must be taken in order.					
C or better required for all Major & Concentration pre-requisites + ENGH 101 and ENGH 302.					
YEAR 1 Fall (15 cr.)		ENGH 101 Composition	3	Mason Core	
		Natural Science with Lab	4	Mason Core	
		EDUC 200: Introduction to Education (also counts as Social & Behavioral Science Mason Core)	3	Mason Core + Major*	
		Global History (HIST 125)	3	Mason Core	
		Elective (UNIV 100 recommended)	1		
		Elective	1		
Spring (15 cr.)		EDSE 201 Introduction to Special Education	3	Major	
		Oral Communication	3	Mason Core	
		Literature (ELED 258 or SEED 370 recommended)	3	Mason Core	ENGH 101
		IT (ELED 257 Integrating Tech in PK-6 Classroom recommended)	3	Mason Core	
		Elective	3	Elective	
YEAR 2 Fall (15 cr.)		EDUC 302 Human Growth and Development or PSYC 211 Developmental Psychology	3	Major	
		Arts	3	Mason Core	
		Quantitative Reasoning (EDRS 220 Intro to Applied Quant Analysis recommended)	3	Mason Core	
		EDSE 381 Exploratory Field in Special Education	3	Major	Pre/co-req: EDSE 201
		EDSE 251 Classroom Mgt & Positive Behavior Supports	3	Major	
Declare licensure concentration at end of fall. GPA of 2.5 or higher and completion of 45 credits required for licensure concentrations.					
Spring (15 cr.)		Global Understanding	3	Mason Core	
		Natural Science (no lab)	3	Mason Core	
		EDSE 353 Individualized Behavior Supports	3	Major	EDSE 251
		Characteristics course: TBD depending on concentration	3	Concentration	Pre/co-req: EDSE 201
		Elective	3		

Academic Plan – Year 3 & 4

Semester*		Courses	Credits	Requirement	Prerequisites
Major courses should be taken in the recommended sequence. Failure to do so may delay graduation.					
C or better required for ENGH 302 and all pre-requisites in the Major and Concentration.					
Accelerated Master's Option – Apply by Nov. 1 if pursuing; GPA of 3.0 or higher required.					
YEAR 3 Fall (15 cr.)		ENGH 302 Advanced Comp (Social Science or multi-disciplinary section)	3	Mason Core	Literature Core
		EDSE 352 Assessment	3	Major	Pre/co-req: EDSE 201; recommended pre/co-req; EDSE 241 or EDSE 311 or EDSE 361
		Elective or concentration, depending on concentration	3		
		Elective	3		
		Elective	3		
Spring (15 cr.)		EDSE 451 Transition and Self-Determination	3	Major	EDSE 201
		Courses vary depending on concentration	3		
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		Elective	3		
Summer: Complete CPR/First Aid/AED for licensure concentrations.					
Apply for spring internship - Application due Sept. 15					
YEAR 4 Fall (15 cr.)		EDSE 354 Consultation, Collaboration, and IEP Development	3	Major	EDSE 352; recommended pre/co-req: EDSE 241 or EDSE 311 or EDSE 361
		EDSE 452 Intersectionality & Disability	3	Major	EDSE 201; ENGH 302 or HNRS Core
		Courses vary depending on concentration	3		
			3		
		Elective	3		
Test Requirement depending on concentration					
Spring (15 cr.)		EDSE 351 Technology Integration for Specialized Instruction	3	Major	EDSE 201
		Internship	12	Core/Apex + Major	
Graduate with BSED Special Education in May					

*Summer courses required for BVI concentration.

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Undergraduate [Handbook](#): Review and reference for information on program requirements, policies, and procedures.