

**GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY  
COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT  
SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAM**

**Masters in Special Education and  
Applied Behavior Analysis Graduate Certificate**

*Due to overlap in the requirements of the two programs, students are able to complete these programs concurrently.*

|  | <i>Masters in Special Education Program<br/>(30 credits)</i>   | <i>Applied Behavior Analysis Certificate Program<br/>(18 credits)</i>   |
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| <b>Coursework applies to both MEd and certificate program</b>        | <b>Reading 3 cr. (EDSE 625 or 503 or 557 or 636)</b>   | <b>EDSE 625 ABA: Verbal Behavior (3 cr.)</b>                            |
|  | <b>Collaboration 3 cr. (EDSE 664 or 662 or 663 or 637)</b>   | <b>EDSE 664 Ethics &amp; Prof Conduct for Behavior Analysts (3 cr.)</b> |
| <b>Certificate courses can apply as electives in the MEd program</b> | <b>15 cr. electives that can be any Special Education courses (EDSE or EDAT)*:</b><br><br><i>NOTE: Twelve of the fifteen elective credits can be met with the ABA certificate courses EDSE 619, 621, 623, 624.</i> | <b>EDSE 619 ABA: Principals, Proc, Phil (3 cr.)</b>                     |
|  |  | <b>EDSE 621 ABA: Empirical Bases (3 cr.)</b>                            |
|  |  | <b>EDSE 623 ABA: Assessment &amp; Intervent (3 cr.)</b>                 |
|  |  | <b>EDSE 624 ABA: Applications (3 cr.)</b>                               |
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| <b>Required for MEd only</b>   | <b>EDSE 501 Intro to Spec Educ (3 cr.)</b>   |   |
|  | <b>EDSE 517 Comp Applic Spec Pop (3 cr.)</b>   |   |
|  | <b>EDSE 590 Spec Educ Research (3 cr.)</b>   |   |
| <b>Credits</b>   | <b>Total credits for MEd: 30</b>   | <b>Total credits for certificate: 18</b>                                |
|  | <b><i>Total credits if completing both MEd and certificate: 30**</i></b>   |   |

\*Students completing ABA practicum may use their practicum credit as electives in the MEd degree. Students must apply in advance for practicum. Consult the Special Education program office at 703-993-3670 for details.

\*\*Students completing the full 15 credits of university practicum in conjunction with the MEd and ABA certificate will complete a total of 42 credits.

If you have questions or would like further information, please visit our website at <https://gse.gmu.edu/special-education/> or call 703-993-3670.