

Note: Upon completion of this program plan and passing the required Virginia assessments, you will be eligible for a Virginia license in this program's area of endorsement. Refer to [www.liberty.edu/advisingguide](http://www.liberty.edu/advisingguide)

<b>INITIAL EDUCATION CORE COURSES (12 hours)</b>		<b>Hrs</b>	<b>Semester</b>	<b>Grade</b>
EDUC 500	Advanced Educational Psychology	3	_____	_____
EDUC 504	Historical and Philosophical Foundations of Education <sup>1</sup>	3	_____	_____
EDUC 518	Understanding Educational Research and Assessment	3	_____	_____
EDUC 521	Foundations of Exceptionality	3	_____	_____
<b>SECONDARY EDUCATION COGNATE COURSES (12 hours)</b>				
EDUC 623	Principles of Behavior Management <sup>1</sup>	3	_____	_____
EDUC 673	Curriculum and Methods for Middle School <sup>1</sup>	3	_____	_____
EDUC 695	Directed Research	3	_____	_____
<b>Choose One:</b>		3	_____	_____
EDUC 533	Teaching Writing Across the Curriculum <sup>4</sup>			
EDUC _____	Elective (500-600 level) <sup>4&amp;5</sup>			
<b>PROFESSIONAL COURSES (12 hours)</b>				
EDUC 535	Secondary Instructional Procedures	3	_____	_____
EDUC 556	Teaching Content Area Reading	3	_____	_____
EDUC 571	Curriculum Fundamentals <sup>2&amp;3</sup>	3	_____	_____
EDUC 590, 591, 592 or 593	Student Teaching <sup>2&amp;6</sup>	3	_____	_____
<b>TOTAL HOURS</b>		<b>36</b>		

**NOTE:** Refer to the Content Competency Chart. Competencies must be met **prior** to student teaching. Candidates seeking licensure as 6-12 or K-12 teachers should have completed a bachelor's degree with a major in the teaching endorsement, or a degree in a related field with courses similar to that required for a bachelor's degree in the teaching endorsement. Candidates must document a *minimum* of 30 semester hours of content courses including each of the competencies listed for the endorsement. [See Content Competencies for subject area.] In addition, candidates must successfully complete the appropriate **Praxis II** content exam in the area of endorsement *prior* to student teaching.

**Graduation Requirements**

- Complete 36 semester hours
- Complete a minimum of 30 semester hours through LU
- 2.5 GPA
- No more than two (2) grades of C may be applied to the degree
- No grade of D may be applied to the degree
- Degree must be completed within 5 years
- Three courses in residence
- Submit Graduation Application at the beginning of the final semester

**Notes**

- <sup>1</sup> Residency Requirement (minimum 9 hours)
- <sup>2</sup> EDUC 571 & 590 fulfills residency requirement for *international* students
- <sup>3</sup> EDUC 571 to be taken the semester directly before or during student teaching.
- <sup>4</sup> 500/600 level content elective may be substituted
- <sup>5</sup> EDUC 554 required for TESL/Spanish
- <sup>6</sup> Course and section number will be assigned during Gate 3 Application.

### SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE

**First Semester (Fall)<sup>2</sup>**

EDUC 500 (B-Term)	3
EDUC 518 (B-Term)	3
EDUC 521 (D-Term)	<u>3</u>
Total	9

**Second Semester (Winter)**

EDUC 623 <sup>1</sup>	<u>3</u>
Total	3

**Third Semester (Spring)<sup>3</sup>**

EDUC 535 (B-Term)	3
EDUC 556 (D-Term)	3
EDUC 695 (D-Term)	<u>3</u>
Total	9

**Fourth Semester (Summer)**

EDUC 533 or Elective <sup>4</sup> (B-Term)	3
EDUC 504 <sup>1</sup>	3
EDUC 673 <sup>1</sup>	<u>3</u>
Total	9

**Fifth Semester (Fall)**

EDUC 590, 591, 592 or 593 (A-Term)	3
EDUC 571 <sup>5</sup> (B-Term)	<u>3</u>
Total	6

**Notes:**

<sup>1</sup>Intensive Course

<sup>2</sup>Submit Gate 2 and Content Competencies; Register for Praxis II and VCLA

<sup>3</sup>Submit Gate 3 by 2/15 for fall or 9/15 for spring

<sup>4</sup>500/600 level content elective may be substituted; EDUC 554 required for TESL/Spanish

<sup>5</sup>EDUC 571 must be taken directly before or during student teaching