

Upon completion of this program plan including courses noted below, initial license/experience, 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><u>FOUNDATIONS OF EDUCATION CORE COURSES (6 hours)</u></b>        |   | <b><u>Hrs</u></b>  | <b><u>Semester</u></b> | <b><u>Grade</u></b> |
|--|---|--------------------|------------------------|---------------------|
| EDUC 701   | Advanced Learning Theory & Research                             | 3                  | _____                  | _____               |
| <i>Choose one of the following courses:</i>                          |   |                    |                        |                     |
| EDUC 703   | Theories of Historical & Social Foundations of Ed.              | 3                  | _____                  | _____               |
| EDUC 741   | Theories of Educational Leadership <sup>1</sup>                 | 3                  | _____                  | _____               |
| <b><u>RESEARCH &amp; EVALUATION CORE COURSES (6 hours)</u></b>       |   |                    |                        |                     |
| EDUC 606   | Tests & Measurements  | 3                  | _____                  | _____               |
| EDUC 798   | Advanced Research & Writing <sup>2,3</sup>                      | 3                  | _____                  | _____               |
| <b><u>CURRIC. &amp; INST./ELEM. ED. CONCENTRATION (18 hours)</u></b> |   |                    |                        |                     |
| EDUC 771   | Curriculum Theory   | 3                  | _____                  | _____               |
| <i>Choose four of the following courses:</i>                         |   |                    |                        |                     |
| EDUC 620   | Organization & Design of Gifted Ed. Programs <sup>4</sup>       | 3                  | _____                  | _____               |
| EDUC 624   | Behavior Management <sup>4</sup>                                | 3                  | _____                  | _____               |
| EDUC 630   | Technology Practices for Instructional Improvement <sup>4</sup> | 3                  | _____                  | _____               |
| EDUC 634   | Teaching Science in the Elementary School <sup>4</sup>          | 3                  | _____                  | _____               |
| EDUC 636   | Teaching Social Studies in the Elementary School <sup>4</sup>   | 3                  | _____                  | _____               |
| <i>Choose one of the following courses:</i>                          |   |                    |                        |                     |
| EDUC 721   | Issues & Trends in Exceptionality                               | 3                  | _____                  | _____               |
| EDUC 730   | Technology Practices for Instructional Improvement <sup>1</sup> | 3                  | _____                  | _____               |
| EDUC 735   | Issues & Trends in Teaching & Learning                          | 3                  | _____                  | _____               |
| EDUC 758   | Teaching the College Student                                    | 3                  | _____                  | _____               |
|  |   | <b>TOTAL HOURS</b> | <b>30</b>              |                     |

**Graduation Requirements**

Complete 30 hours  
A minimum of 24 hours must be completed through Liberty University, not to include credits from a prior degree earned through Liberty  
A maximum of 6 hours of transfer credit may be applied to the degree  
3.0 GPA  
No more than one grade of C may be applied to the degree (includes grades of C+ & C-)  
No grade of D or below may be applied to the degree (includes grades of D+ & D-)  
Degree must be completed within 5 years  
Please submit a Graduation Application to the Registrar's Office at the beginning of the final semester

**Notes**

No residence is required for the non-licensure program. Residence is required for licensure and is strongly recommended for those who plan to complete the Ed.D. after the Ed.S. Licensure information can be found on the next page

<sup>1</sup>Course offered in Residence (EDUC 730, 741)

<sup>2</sup>Capstone course to be taken in final semester

<sup>3</sup>Background check clearance required (EDUC 798)

<sup>4</sup>Students may choose to take a 600-700 level Elementary Education or related content course instead. These courses must be approved by the School of Education.

### SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE

|                                     |          |                                     |          |
|-------------------------------------|----------|-------------------------------------|----------|
| <u>First Semester (B-Term)</u>      |          | <u>First Semester (D-Term)</u>      |          |
| EDUC 606                            | 3        | EDUC Elective <sup>1</sup>          | 3        |
| EDUC 701                            | <u>3</u> | EDUC Elective <sup>2, 3</sup>       | <u>3</u> |
|                                     | Total 6  |                                     | Total 6  |
| <br><u>Second Semester (B-Term)</u> |          | <br><u>Second Semester (D-Term)</u> |          |
| EDUC 703 or 741 <sup>4</sup>        | 3        | EDUC 771                            | 3        |
| EDUC Elective <sup>2, 3</sup>       | <u>3</u> | EDUC Elective <sup>2, 3</sup>       | <u>3</u> |
|                                     | Total 6  |                                     | Total 6  |
| <br><u>Third Semester (B-Term)</u>  |          |                                     |          |
| EDUC 798                            | 3        |                                     |          |
| EDUC Elective <sup>2, 3</sup>       | <u>3</u> |                                     |          |
|                                     | Total 6  |                                     |          |

#### **Notes**

<sup>1</sup>Choose one course from the following: EDUC 721, 730, 735 or 758

<sup>2</sup>Choose four courses from the following: EDUC 620, 624, 630, 634, 636, a 600-700 level Elementary Education course or related content course.

<sup>3</sup>600-700 level Elementary Education and related content courses must be approved by the School of Education.

<sup>4</sup>Intensive

### LICENSURE OPTIONS

Must complete DCP for EdS, including intensives: EDUC 741<sup>1</sup>, and additional courses below

**Initial Licensure** additional courses required:

*Elementary:* EDUC 530, 531, 554, 556, 623<sup>1</sup>, 632<sup>1</sup>, student teaching, content competencies, VCLA, RVE, Praxis II

*Special Education:* EDUC 524, 525, 530, 554, 622<sup>1</sup>, 623<sup>1</sup>, student teaching, VCLA, RVE, Praxis II

*Secondary:* EDUC 539, 556, 623<sup>1</sup>, 625, 673<sup>1</sup> student teaching, content competencies, VCLA, Praxis II

**Add-on Licensure** additional courses required and Field Experience Summary (45 hours)

*Early Childhood (for 3- and 4-year-olds):* EDUC 501, 653, 670, must have elementary license

*Gifted:* EDUC 526, 620, 621, 627, must have initial license

**Advanced Licensure** additional courses required:

*School Counseling:* Master's Degree in Counseling; EDUC 600, 622, 33 hours of EDCE courses as listed on M.Ed. in School Counselor DCP

*Reading or Math Specialist:* EDUC 622<sup>1</sup>, 641<sup>1</sup>, 650, 652, 699-A03, must have initial license and 3 years experience

Also for *Math:* EDUC 530, Praxis II or *Reading:* EDUC 554, 556, RVE

*School Administration:* EDUC 641<sup>1</sup>, 648, 672, 699-A01; equivalent course from master's accepted for EDUC 672

*Additional intensive for School Administration:* EDUC 747<sup>1</sup>, must have initial license and 3 years experience

#### **Note**

<sup>1</sup>Courses offered in residency required for licensure