

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>Sem</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./SPECIAL 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>			
EDUC 621	Educational Assessment for Special Needs <sup>4</sup>	3	_____	_____
EDUC 624	Behavior Management <sup>4</sup>	3	_____	_____
EDUC 629	Technology & Diversity <sup>4</sup>	3	_____	_____
EDUC 630	Technology Practices for Instructional Improvement <sup>4</sup>	3	_____	_____
<i>Choose one of the following courses:</i>				
EDUC 721	Issues & Trends in Exceptionality	3	_____	_____
EDUC 730	Issues & Trends in Technology & Learning <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, including credit from a degree on the same academic level previously earned through Liberty, may be applied to the degree  
 3.0 GPA

No more than two grades 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

Submission of Graduation Application must be completed within the last semester of a student's anticipated graduation date

**Program Offered in Online Format**

**Notes**

*All applicable prerequisites must be met*

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 Special Education or related content course instead. These courses must be approved by the School of Education

*Suggested Course Sequence on Second Page*

### SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE

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#### **Notes**

<sup>1</sup>Choose one course from the following: EDUC 721, 730<sup>5</sup>, 735 or 758

<sup>2</sup>Choose four courses from the following: EDUC 620, 621, 624, 629 or 630

<sup>3</sup>Students may choose to take a 600-700 level Special Education or related content course instead. These courses must be approved by the School of Education

<sup>4</sup>Course offered as Intensive

<sup>5</sup>Course offered in residence

### 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, 699-A01, 742

*Additional intensive for School Administration:* EDUC 741<sup>1</sup>, 747<sup>1</sup>, must have initial license and 3 years experience

#### **Note**

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