

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

<u>INITIAL EDUCATION CORE COURSES (12 hours)</u>		<u>Hrs</u>	<u>Semester</u>	<u>Grade</u>
EDUC 500	Learning Theory	3	_____	_____
EDUC 504	Historical & Philosophical Foundations of Education ¹	3	_____	_____
EDUC 521	Foundations of Exceptionality	3	_____	_____
EDUC 606	Tests & Measurements	3	_____	_____
<u>MIDDLE GRADES EDUCATION COGNATE (12 hours)</u>				
EDUC 601	Professional Development in Middle Grades Education ²	3	_____	_____
EDUC 602	Young Adolescents, Schools & Communities	3	_____	_____
EDUC 673	Curriculum & Methods for the Middle School ¹	3	_____	_____
<i>Choose one of the following courses:</i>				
EDUC 635	Teaching Science in the Middle School	3	_____	_____
EDUC 637	Teaching Social Studies in the Middle School	3	_____	_____
EDUC 668	Teaching Mathematics in the Middle School	3	_____	_____
EDUC 669	Teaching Literacy in the Middle School	3	_____	_____
<u>PROFESSIONAL COURSES (12 hours)</u>				
EDUC 554	Reading & Language Acquisition ^{3, 4}	3	_____	_____
EDUC 59_	Student Teaching ^{3, 4, 5}	3	_____	_____
EDUC 623	Principles of Behavior Management ¹	3	_____	_____
EDUC 656	Teaching Content Area Reading	3	_____	_____
		TOTAL HOURS	36	

Graduation Requirements

Complete 36 hours
 A minimum of 30 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
 2.5 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-)
 Three courses required in Residence¹
 Degree must be completed within 5 years
 All Online students admitted on Academic Caution are required to enroll in and pass GRST 500 in their first semester
 Please submit a Graduation Application to the Registrar's Office at the beginning of the final semester

Notes

Refer to the Middle Grades Education Content Competency Chart. Competencies must be met prior to student teaching.

¹Course offered in Residence (EDUC 504, 623, 673)
²EDUC 601 may be taken during the student teaching semester
³Background check clearance required (EDUC 554, 590, 591, 592, 593)
⁴*International candidates* seeking a "student visa" to study in residence in the U.S. may use EDUC 554 and 590 to count as part of their residency requirement.
⁵Students will be assigned either EDUC 590, 591, 592 or 593. Course and section number will be designated during Gate 3 Application.

SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE

<u>First Semester</u>		<u>Second Semester¹</u>	
EDUC 500 (B-Term)	3	EDUC 656 (B-Term)	3
EDUC 606 (B-Term)	3	EDUC 504 ²	3
EDUC 521 (D-Term)	<u>3</u>	EDUC 623 ²	<u>3</u>
Total	9	Total	9

<u>Third Semester</u>		<u>Fourth Semester⁵</u>	
Elective ³ (B or D-Term)	3	EDUC 554 (B-Term) ⁴	3
EDUC 602 (D-Term) ⁴	<u>3</u>	EDUC 673 ²	<u>3</u>
Total	6	Total	6

<u>Fifth Semester</u>	
EDUC 59_ ⁶ (A-Term)	3
EDUC 601 (B-Term) ^{4,7}	<u>3</u>
Total	6

Notes

¹Submit Gate 2 and Content Competencies: Register for Praxis II and VCLA

² Intensive

³Choose one course from the following: EDUC 635, 637, 668 or 669

⁴EDUC 554 and 601 offered in B-term only, EDUC 602 offered in D-term only.

⁵Submit Gate 3 application by 2/1 for fall Student Teaching or 9/1 for spring Student

⁶Students will be assigned either EDUC 590, 591, 592 or 593

⁷EDUC 601 may be taken during the student teaching semester