

This is a non-licensure degree and is not a state approved program. Completion of this degree will not lead to the eligibility of a VA state teaching license or a teaching license or certificate in any other state.

| <b><u>EDUCATION THEORY 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                 | _____             | _____               |
| EDUC 703   | Theories of Historical & Philosophical Foundations     | 3                 | _____             | _____               |
| <b><u>CURRICULUM &amp; INSTRUCTION CORE (12 hours)</u></b> |  |                   |                   |                     |
| <i>Choose four of the following courses:</i>               |  |                   |                   |                     |
| EDUC 730   | Issues & Trends in Learning Technologies <sup>1</sup>  | 3                 | _____             | _____               |
| EDUC 735   | Issues & Trends in Curriculum & Instruction            | 3                 | _____             | _____               |
| EDUC 771   | Curriculum Theory                                      | 3                 | _____             | _____               |
| EDUC 871   | Investigations in Curriculum Change                    | 3                 | _____             | _____               |
| EDUC 872   | Research in Curriculum Design & Development            | 3                 | _____             | _____               |
| <b><u>ELEMENTARY EDUCATION COGNATE (9 hours)</u></b>       |  |                   |                   |                     |
| EDRS 659   | Foundation & Theories of Literacy Instruction          | 3                 | _____             | _____               |
| <i>Choose two of the following courses:</i>                |  |                   |                   |                     |
| EDUC 624   | Instructional Methods for Behavior & Learning          | 3                 | _____             | _____               |
| EDUC 672   | Curriculum Development (Elementary/Secondary)          | 3                 | _____             | _____               |
| EDUC 675   | Elementary Curriculum & Methods                        | 3                 | _____             | _____               |
| <b><u>RESEARCH &amp; EVALUATION COURSES (12 hours)</u></b> |  |                   |                   |                     |
| EDUC 750   | Survey of Educational Research <sup>2</sup>            | 3                 | _____             | _____               |
| EDUC 816   | Applied Research Methods                               | 3                 | _____             | _____               |
| EDUC 850   | Literature Review for Applied Research                 | 3                 | _____             | _____               |
| EDUC 880   | Applied Research Concepts & Methodology <sup>3,4</sup> | 3                 | _____             | _____               |
| <b><u>CAPSTONE (15 hours)</u></b>                          |  |                   |                   |                     |
| EDUC 887   | Capstone I <sup>5</sup>                                | 5                 | _____             | _____               |
| EDUC 888   | Capstone II <sup>5</sup>                               | 5                 | _____             | _____               |
| EDUC 889   | Capstone III <sup>5</sup>                              | 5                 | _____             | _____               |
| EDUC 890   | Capstone IV <sup>6</sup>                               | 0                 | _____             | _____               |
| <b>TOTAL HOURS</b>   |  | <b>54</b>         |                   |                     |

**Graduation Requirements**

Complete 54 hours  
A maximum of 50% of a post-graduate and doctoral degree may be transferred if approved and allowable, including credit from an earned degree from Liberty University on the same academic level  
3.0 GPA  
No grades lower than a B- may be applied to the degree  
Successful completion of Capstone Project  
Degree must be completed within 7 years\*  
Submission of Degree Completion Application must be completed within the last semester of a student's anticipated graduation date  
\*There is a limit of 5 years for completion of the Ed.D. for students who were granted 18 hours or more of advanced standing credit from a previously completed Ed.S. or equivalent degree

**Offered in Online Format**

**Notes**

*All applicable prerequisites must be met*  
<sup>1</sup>Intensive Format optional  
<sup>2</sup>A minimum of 20 Doctoral credit hours must be earned prior to enrollment in EDUC 750  
<sup>3</sup>EDUC 880 must be the final course taken before enrolling in capstone courses  
<sup>4</sup>Once the student enters the capstone phase (after completion of EDUC 880), he/she must maintain continuous enrollment (Fall, Spring, and Summer semesters) until all degree requirements are completed.  
<sup>5</sup>Ed.D. students are allowed to enroll in EDUC 887, 888, 889 a maximum of two times. Extensions for exceptional circumstances must be approved by the School of Education.  
<sup>6</sup>Enrollment in EDUC 890 is contingent on School of Education approval  
*Suggested Course Sequence on Second Page*

**SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE**

|                                      |          |                                     |          |
|--------------------------------------|----------|-------------------------------------|----------|
| <u>First Semester (B-Term)</u>       |          | <u>First Semester (D-Term)</u>      |          |
| EDUC 701                             | 3        | EDUC Elective <sup>1</sup>          | 3        |
| EDUC 703                             | <u>3</u> | Core Elective <sup>2</sup>          | <u>3</u> |
| Total                                | 6        | Total                               | 6        |
| <br><u>Second Semester (B-Term)</u>  |          | <br><u>Second Semester (D-Term)</u> |          |
| EDRS 659                             | 3        | Core Elective <sup>2</sup>          | 3        |
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| Total                                | 6        | Total                               | 6        |
| <br><u>Third Semester (B-Term)</u>   |          | <br><u>Third Semester (D-Term)</u>  |          |
| EDUC 750                             | 3        | EDUC 816                            | 3        |
| Core Elective <sup>2</sup>           | <u>3</u> | Total                               | 3        |
| Total                                | 6        |                                     |          |
| <br><u>Fourth Semester (B-Term)</u>  |          | <br><u>Fourth Semester (D-Term)</u> |          |
| EDUC 850                             | 3        | EDUC 880                            | <u>3</u> |
| Total                                | 3        | Total                               | 3        |
| <br><u>Fifth Semester (A-Term)</u>   |          | <br><u>Sixth Semester (A-Term)</u>  |          |
| EDUC 887                             | 5        | EDUC 888                            | 5        |
| Total                                | 5        | Total                               | 5        |
| <br><u>Seventh Semester (A-Term)</u> |          | <br><u>Eighth Semester (A-Term)</u> |          |
| EDUC 889                             | 5        | EDUC 890                            | 0        |
| Total                                | 5        | Total                               | 0        |

**Notes**

<sup>1</sup>Choose from the following courses: EDUC 624, 672, or 675

<sup>2</sup>Choose from the following courses: EDUC 730, 735, 771, 871, or 872