

# LIBERTY

## UNIVERSITY.

### THE GRADUATE SCHOOL

#### Education Specialist in Curriculum and Instruction (Ed.S.)

#### Middle Grades Education Cognate

#### 2021-2022 Degree Completion Plan

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.

#### **EDUCATION THEORY COURSES (6 hours)**

	<b><u>Hrs</u></b>	<b><u>Sem</u></b>	<b><u>Grade</u></b>
EDUC 701    Advanced Learning Theory & Research	3	_____	_____

*Choose one of the following courses:*

EDUC 703    Theories of Historical & Philosophical Foundations	3	_____	_____
EDUC 741    Theories of Educational Leadership <sup>1</sup>	3	_____	_____

#### **CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION CORE (9 hours)**

*Choose three of the following courses:*

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	_____	_____

#### **MIDDLE GRADES EDUCATION COGNATE (9 hours)**

*Choose three of the following courses:*

EDUC 601    Professional Development in Middle Grades Education	3	_____	_____
EDUC 602    Young Adolescents, Schools & Communities	3	_____	_____
EDUC 624    Instructional Methods for Behavior & Learning	3	_____	_____
EDUC 635    Teaching Science in the Middle School	3	_____	_____
EDUC 637    Teaching Social Studies in the Middle School	3	_____	_____
EDUC 676    Middle Grades Curriculum & Methods	3	_____	_____

#### **RESEARCH & EVALUATION COURSES (6 hours)**

EDUC 750    Survey of Educational Research	3	_____	_____
EDUC 798    Advanced Research & Writing <sup>2</sup>	3	_____	_____

**TOTAL HOURS    30**

#### **Graduation Requirements**

Complete 30 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 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

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

**Offered in Online Format**

#### **Notes**

*All applicable prerequisites must be met*

<sup>1</sup>Intensive Format optional

<sup>2</sup>Capstone course to be taken in final semester  
*Suggested Course Sequence on Second Page*

### **SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE**

#### First Semester (B-Term)

EDUC 701	3
Cognate Elective <sup>1</sup>	<u>3</u>
Total	6

#### First Semester (D-Term)

EDUC 703 or 741 <sup>2</sup>	3
Core Elective <sup>3</sup>	<u>3</u>
Total	6

#### Second Semester (B-Term)

Cognate Elective <sup>1</sup>	3
Core Elective <sup>3</sup>	<u>3</u>
Total	6

#### Second Semester (D-Term)

EDUC 750	3
Cognate Elective <sup>1</sup>	<u>3</u>
Total	6

#### Third Semester (B-Term)

EDUC 798 <sup>4</sup>	3
Core Elective <sup>3</sup>	<u>3</u>
Total	6

#### **Notes**

<sup>1</sup>Choose from the following courses: EDUC 601, 602, 624, 635, 637, or 676

<sup>2</sup>Intensive Format optional

<sup>3</sup>Choose one course from the following: EDUC 730<sup>3,5</sup>, 735, 771, 871, or 872

<sup>4</sup>Course should be taken in final semester