

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. If you would like to be eligible for a VA state teaching license or work through reciprocity guidelines to be eligible for a license or certificate in another state, you must complete the coursework for this degree and the additional classes and requirements that are listed in the Notes section of the DCP. Refer to www.liberty.edu/advisingguide

EDUCATION THEORY COURSES (6 hours)

	<u>Hrs</u>	<u>Sem</u>	<u>Grade</u>
EDUC 701 Advanced Learning Theory & Research	3	_____	_____
EDUC 703 Theories of Historical & Philosophical Foundations	3	_____	_____

CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION CORE (12 hours)

Choose four of the following courses:

EDUC 730 Issues & Trends in Learning Technologies ¹	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	_____	_____

SPECIAL EDUCATION COGNATE (9 hours)

EDUC 721 Issues & Trends in Exceptionality	3	_____	_____
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Choose two of the following courses:

EDSP 722 History & Future of Special Education ²	3	_____	_____
EDSP 724 Collaboration & Communication in Special Education ²	3	_____	_____
EDSP 725 Assessment & Evaluation in Special Education ²	3	_____	_____
EDSP 726 Disability & Learning ²	3	_____	_____

RESEARCH & EVALUATION COURSES (12 hours)

EDUC 750 Survey of Educational Research ³	3	_____	_____
EDUC 816 Applied Research Methods	3	_____	_____
EDUC 850 Literature Review for Applied Research	3	_____	_____
EDUC 880 Applied Research Concepts & Methodology ⁴	3	_____	_____

CAPSTONE (15 hours)⁵

EDUC 887 Capstone I ⁶	5	_____	_____
EDUC 888 Capstone II ⁶	5	_____	_____
EDUC 889 Capstone III ⁶	5	_____	_____
EDUC 890 Capstone IV ⁷	0	_____	_____

TOTAL HOURS 54

Graduation Requirements

Complete 54 hours

A minimum of 39 hours must be completed through Liberty University, not to include from a prior degree earned through Liberty

A maximum of 15 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 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

*Applicants who have previously completed an Educational Specialist (Ed. S.) or equivalent degree from an institution accredited by an agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education will be considered for advanced standing (up to 24 hours) in the Ed.D. program

Students who have earned an Ed.S. degree through Liberty are permitted to apply up to 27 hours (as applicable) from that degree toward the Ed.D.

**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

Program Offered in Online Format

Notes

All applicable prerequisites must be met

¹Intensive Format optional

²If seeking licensure, student may choose to take 600 level courses on 'Licensure Options' section on Course Sequence page. These courses must be approved by the School of Education

³A minimum of 20 Doctoral credit hours must be earned prior to enrollment in EDUC 750

⁴EDUC 880 must be the final course taken before enrolling in Capstone courses

⁵Once the student enters the Capstone phase, he/she must maintain continuous enrollment (Fall, Spring, and Summer semesters) until all degree requirements are completed

⁶Ed.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.

⁷Enrollment 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	EDSP Elective ^{1,2}	3
EDUC 703	<u>3</u>	Core Elective ³	<u>3</u>
	Total		Total
	6		6
 <u>Second Semester (B-Term)</u>		 <u>Second Semester (D-Term)</u>	
EDUC 721	3	Core Elective ³	3
EDSP Elective ^{1,2}	<u>3</u>	Core Elective ³	<u>3</u>
	Total		Total
	6		6
 <u>Third Semester (B-Term)</u>		 <u>Third Semester (D-Term)</u>	
EDUC 750	3	EDUC 816	3
Core Elective ³	<u>3</u>		<u>3</u>
	Total		Total
	6		3
 <u>Fourth Semester (B-Term)</u>		 <u>Fourth Semester (D-Term)</u>	
EDUC 850	<u>3</u>	EDUC 880	<u>3</u>
	Total		Total
	3		3
 <u>Fifth Semester (A-Term)</u>		 <u>Sixth Semester (A-Term)</u>	
EDUC 887	5	EDUC 888	5
	Total		Total
	5		5
 <u>Seventh Semester (A-Term)</u>		 <u>Eighth Semester (A-Term)</u>	
EDUC 889	5	EDUC 890	0
	Total		Total
	5		0

Notes

¹Choose from the following courses: EDSP 722, 724, 725, or 726

²If seeking licensure, student may choose to take 600 level courses in 'Licensure Options' section. These courses must be approved by the School of Education.

³Choose from the following courses: EDUC 730, 735, 771, 871, or 872

LICENSURE OPTIONS

Must complete additional courses below and all coursework for Ed.D. except Capstone courses²

Initial Licensure additional courses required:

Elementary: EDUC 530, 554, 571, 606, 623¹, 632¹, 634, 636, student teaching, content competencies, VCLA, RVE- Reading for Virginia Educators: Elementary and Special Education, Praxis Subject Assessment

Special Education: EDUC 521, 524, 525, 530, 554, 571, 606, 622¹, 623¹, student teaching, VCLA, RVE- Reading for Virginia Educators: Elementary and Special Education, Praxis Subject Assessment

Secondary: EDUC 539, 571, 606, 623¹, 625, 656, student teaching, content competencies, VCLA, Praxis Subject Assessment

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

Early Childhood (for 3- and 4-year-olds): EDUC 501, 598, 653, 670, must have elementary license

Gifted: EDUC 526, 598, 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 622¹, 641¹, 650, 652, 699-A03, must have initial license and 3 years' experience Also for **Math:** EDUC 530, Praxis Subject Assessment or **Reading:** EDUC 556, 659, RVE- Reading for Virginia Educators: Reading Specialist

Building-level School Administration: EDUC 641¹, 648, 672, 740, 741, 742, 747¹, 699-A01; any graduate-level curriculum course may substitute for 672; must have initial license and 3 years' experience

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²For doctoral candidates seeking licensure, EDUC 880 can be substituted for EDUC 798 in order to post EDS degree for licensure application.