

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. Please consult [www.liberty.edu/advisingguide](http://www.liberty.edu/advisingguide) for licensure information and requirements.

<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	_____	_____
<i>Choose one of the following courses:</i>				
EDUC 703	Theories of Historical & Philosophical Foundations	3	_____	_____
EDUC 741	Theories of Educational Leadership <sup>1</sup>	3	_____	_____
<b><u>CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION CORE (9 hours)</u></b>				
<i>Choose three 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>				
EDUC 659	Foundation & Theories of Literacy Instruction	3	_____	_____
<i>Choose two of the following courses:</i>				
EDUC 624	Instructional Methods for Behavior & Learning	3	_____	_____
EDUC 634	Teaching Science in the Elementary School <sup>3</sup>	3	_____	_____
EDUC 636	Teaching Social Studies in the Elementary School <sup>3</sup>	3	_____	_____
EDUC 672	Curriculum Development (Elementary/Secondary) <sup>3</sup>	3	_____	_____
EDUC 675	Elementary Curriculum and Methods <sup>3</sup>	3	_____	_____
<b><u>RESEARCH &amp; EVALUATION COURSES (6 hours)</u></b>				
EDUC 750	Survey of Educational Research	3	_____	_____
EDUC 798	Advanced Research & Writing <sup>2</sup>	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 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

**Program 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  
<sup>3</sup>If seeking licensure, students 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.  
*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 703 or 741 <sup>3</sup>	3
Cognate Elective <sup>1,2</sup>	<u>3</u>	Core Elective <sup>4</sup>	<u>3</u>
Total	6	Total	6
 <u>Second Semester (B-Term)</u>		 <u>Second Semester (D-Term)</u>	
Cognate Elective <sup>1,2</sup>	3	EDUC 750	3
Core Elective <sup>4</sup>	<u>3</u>	EDUC 659	<u>3</u>
Total	6	Total	6
 <u>Third Semester (B-Term)</u>			
EDUC 798 <sup>5</sup>	3		
Core Elective <sup>4</sup>	<u>3</u>		
Total	6		

#### **Notes**

<sup>1</sup>Choose from the following courses: EDUC 624, 634, 636, 672 or 675

<sup>2</sup>If seeking licensure, students may choose to take 600 level courses on 'Licensure options section. These courses must be approved by the School of Education

<sup>3</sup>Intensive Format optional

<sup>4</sup>Choose one course from the following: EDUC 730<sup>5</sup>, 735, 771, 871, or 872

<sup>5</sup>Course should be taken in final semester

### LICENSURE OPTIONS

Must complete DCP for EdS, and additional courses below

#### **Initial Licensure** additional courses required:

**Elementary:** EDUC 530, 554, 571, 606, 623<sup>1</sup>, 632<sup>1</sup>, 634, 636, 656, student teaching, content competencies, VCLA, RVE, Praxis Subject Assessment

**Special Education:** EDUC 521, 524, 525, 530, 554, 571, 606, 622<sup>1</sup>, 623<sup>1</sup>, student teaching, VCLA, RVE, Praxis Subject Assessment

**Secondary:** EDUC 539, 571, 606, 623<sup>1</sup>, 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 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 656, 659, RVE (Reading for Virginia Educators Elementary and Special Education or Reading for Virginia Educators: Reading Specialist)

**Building-level School Administration:** EDUC 641, 648, 672, 740, 741, 742, 747, 699-A01; any graduate-level Curriculum course may substitute for 672; must have initial license and 3 years' experience

#### **Note**

<sup>1</sup>Intensive Format optional