

LIBERTY

UNIVERSITY.

THE GRADUATE SCHOOL

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

Middle Grades Education Cognate

2018-2019 Degree Completion Plan

Upon completion of this program plan including courses noted below, initial license/experience, 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

EDUCATION THEORY COURSES (6 hours)

	<u>Hrs</u>	<u>Sem</u>	<u>Grade</u>
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 ¹	3	_____	_____

RESEARCH & EVALUATION COURSES (6 hours)

EDUC 606 Tests & Measurements	3	_____	_____
EDUC 798 Advanced Research & Writing ²	3	_____	_____

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION CORE (9 hours)

Choose three 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	_____	_____

MIDDLE GRADES EDUCATION COGNATE (9 hours)

Choose three of the following courses:

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

TOTAL HOURS 30

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 Graduation 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

¹Intensive Format optional

²Capstone course to be taken in final semester

³If seeking licensure, students may choose to take 600 level courses on 'Licensure option' 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 ³	3
Cognate Elective ^{1, 2}	<u>3</u>	Core Elective ⁴	<u>3</u>
Total	6	Total	6
 <u>Second Semester (B-Term)</u>		 <u>Second Semester (D-Term)</u>	
Cognate Elective ^{1, 2}	3	EDUC 606	3
Core Elective ⁴	<u>3</u>	Cognate Elective ^{1, 2}	<u>3</u>
Total	6	Total	6
 <u>Third Semester (B-Term)</u>			
EDUC 798 ⁵	3		
Core Elective ⁴	<u>3</u>		
Total	6		

Notes

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

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

³Intensive Format optional

⁴Choose one course from the following: EDUC 730⁵, 735, 771, 871, or 872

⁵Course 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, 531, 554, 556, 623¹, 632¹, student teaching, content competencies, VCLA, RVE, Praxis II

Special Education: EDUC 524, 525, 530, 554, 622¹, 623¹, student teaching, VCLA, RVE, Praxis II

Secondary: EDUC 539, 556, 623¹, 625, 673¹ student teaching, content competencies, VCLA, Praxis II

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

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

Gifted: EDUC 526, 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 II or **Reading:** EDUC 554, 556, RVE

School Administration: EDUC 641¹, 648, 699-A01, 741¹, 742, 747¹, must have initial license and 3 years experience

Note

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