

After completion of the required program coursework (including student teaching), content competencies (if applicable), and the passing of licensure tests, the graduate of this program would be eligible for a VA state teaching license.

<b><u>INITIAL EDUCATION CORE COURSES (12 hours)</u></b>		<b><u>Hrs</u></b>	<b><u>Sem</u></b>	<b><u>Grade</u></b>
EDUC 500	Learning Theory	3	_____	_____
EDUC 504	Historical & Philosophical Foundations of Education	3	_____	_____
EDUC 521	Foundations of Exceptionality	3	_____	_____
EDUC 606	Tests & Measurements	3	_____	_____
<b><u>MIDDLE GRADES EDUCATION COGNATE (12 hours)</u></b>				
EDUC 571	Curriculum Fundamentals <sup>1,2</sup>	3	_____	_____
EDUC 632	Language Acquisition & Instruction	3	_____	_____
<i>Choose one of the following courses:</i>				
EDUC 601	Professional Development in Middle Grades Education	3	_____	_____
EDUC 602	Young Adolescents, Schools & Communities	3	_____	_____
<i>Choose one of the following courses:</i>				
EDUC 635	Teaching Science in the Middle School	3	_____	_____
EDUC 637	Teaching Social Studies in the Middle School	3	_____	_____
EDUC 668	Teaching Mathematics in the Middle School	3	_____	_____
EDUC 669	Teaching Literacy in the Middle School	3	_____	_____
<b><u>EDUCATION ELECTIVE COURSES (9 hours)</u></b>				
_____	_____	3	_____	_____
_____	_____	3	_____	_____
_____	_____	3	_____	_____
<b><u>PROFESSIONAL COURSES (12 hours)</u></b>				
EDUC 588	Practicum in Education I: External	0	_____	_____
EDUC 59_	Student Teaching <sup>2, 4, 5</sup>	3	_____	_____
EDUC 623	Principles of Behavior Management	3	_____	_____
EDUC 625	Content Instructional Procedures	3	_____	_____
EDUC 656	Teaching Content Area Reading	3	_____	_____
EDUC 688	Practicum in Education II: External	0	_____	_____
<b>TOTAL HOURS</b>		<b>45</b>		

**Graduation Requirements**

Complete 45 hours  
A maximum of 50% of the program hours 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 two grades 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*  
Refer to the Middle Grades Education Content Competency Chart. Competencies must be met prior to student teaching  
<sup>1</sup>EDUC 571 may be taken during the student teaching semester  
<sup>2</sup>**International candidates** seeking a "student visa" to study in residence in the U.S. may use EDUC 571 and 590 to count as part of their residency requirement  
<sup>3</sup>Choose one of the following courses: Any 500-600 level EDUC or EDSP course, or any approved graduate elective on the Course Equivalency Guide for Content Competencies not already required by the degree  
<sup>4</sup>Background check clearance required (EDUC 590, 591, 592, 593, 625)  
<sup>5</sup>Candidates will be assigned either EDUC 590, 591, 592, or 593. Course and section number will be designated during Gate 3 Application  
*Suggested Course Sequence on Second Page*

**SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE**

<p><u>First Semester<sup>1</sup></u></p> <p>EDUC 500                    3</p> <p>EDUC 521                    3</p> <p>EDUC 623                    <u>3</u></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Total    9</p>	<p><u>Second Semester</u></p> <p>EDUC 504                    3</p> <p>EDUC 588                    0</p> <p>EDUC 656                    3</p> <p>Elective<sup>2</sup>                    <u>3</u></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Total    9</p>
<p><u>Third Semester<sup>3</sup></u></p> <p>EDUC 601 or 602<sup>4</sup>        3</p> <p>EDUC 606                    3</p> <p>Elective<sup>5</sup>                    <u>3</u></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Total    9</p>	<p><u>Fourth Semester</u></p> <p>Elective<sup>5</sup>                    3</p> <p>Elective<sup>5</sup>                    <u>3</u></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Total    6</p>
<p><u>Fifth Semester</u></p> <p>EDUC 625<sup>6</sup>                    3</p> <p>EDUC 632                    3</p> <p>EDUC 688                    <u>0</u></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Total    6</p>	<p><u>Sixth Semester</u></p> <p>EDUC 571 (D-term)<sup>7</sup>        3</p> <p>EDUC 59_ <sup>8</sup>                    <u>3</u></p> <p style="text-align: right;">Total    6</p>

**Notes**

<sup>1</sup>Submit Gate 2 Background Check and Content Competencies; Register for VCLA and take Praxis Core.

<sup>2</sup>Choose one course from the following: EDUC 635, 637, 668, or 669

<sup>3</sup>Register for the Praxis Subject Assessment. Submit Gate 3 application by 2/1 for fall Student Teaching or 9/1 for spring Student Teaching

<sup>4</sup>EDUC 601 offered in B-term only, EDUC 602 offered in D-term only

<sup>5</sup>Choose one of the following courses: Any 500-600 level EDUC or EDSP course, or any approved graduate elective on the Course Equivalency Guide for Content Competencies not already required by the degree

<sup>6</sup>EDUC 625 should not be taken in the summer

<sup>7</sup>EDUC 571 may be taken during the student teaching semester

<sup>8</sup>Candidates will be assigned either EDUC 590, 591, 592, or 593

Additional courses required for **dual endorsement**

**Elementary Education:** EDUC 530, 554, 599, 634, and 636; Content Competencies and Praxis Subject Assessment

**Special Education:** EDUC 524, 525, 530, 554, and 622