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Bachelor of Science in Special Education Interdisciplinary Studies

With Fifth Year Option for MAT & Licensure

2018-2019 Degree Completion Plan

Important: This degree plan is effective for those starting this degree program in fall 2018 through summer 2019. This degree plan will remain in effect for students who do not break enrollment or who do not change degree programs, concentrations, or cognates.

GENERAL EDUCATION/

CORE COMPETENCY REQUIREMENTS (39-42 hours)

Course		Hrs	Sem	Grade
Communication (6 hours)¹				
ENGL 101	Composition & Rhetoric	3	_____	_____
_____	Communications Elective	3	_____	_____
Math, Science & Technology (6-9 hours)¹				
MATH _____	Math Elective (MATH 114 or higher)	3	_____	_____
_____	Natural Science Elective	3	_____	_____
UNIV 104	Instructional Tech. for Online Learning	0-3	_____	_____
Information Literacy (6 hours)¹				
_____	Composition Elective	3	_____	_____
_____	Information Literacy Elective	3	_____	_____
Critical Thinking (9 hours)¹				
_____	Literature OR Philosophy Elective ²	3	_____	_____
_____	Social Science Elective	3	_____	_____
_____	Cultural Studies Elective	3	_____	_____
Christian Life & Thought (12 hours)^{1,3}				
BIBL 104	Survey of Old & New Testament	4	_____	_____
RLGN 104	Christian Life & Biblical Worldview	4	_____	_____
THEO 104	Introduction to Theology Survey	4	_____	_____

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Major Foundational Courses (9-27 hours)⁴				
BIOL 101	Principles of Biology	3	_____	_____
or BIOL 102	Principles of Human Biology	3	_____	_____
COMS 101	Speech Communication	3	_____	_____
ENGL 102	Composition & Literature	3	_____	_____
HIEU 201	History of Western Civilization I	3	_____	_____
HIUS 221	Survey of American History I	3	_____	_____
MATH 117	Elements of Mathematics	3	_____	_____
MATH 217	Elementary Geometry	3	_____	_____
PHSC 210	Elements of Earth Science	3	_____	_____
or PHYS 101	Elements of Physics	3	_____	_____
PSYC 101	General Psychology	3	_____	_____
or PSYC 210	Developmental Psychology	3	_____	_____

MAJOR

Core (48 hours)				
Area of Study I: Education				
EDUC 200	Principles of Education	3	_____	_____
EDUC 205	Learning Theory & Portfolio Develop.	3	_____	_____
EDUC 301	Instructional Practice for Math Teachers	3	_____	_____
EDUC 302	Instructional Pract. for Reading Teachers	3	_____	_____
EDUC 304	Classroom Management for Teachers	3	_____	_____
EDUC 305	Educational Philosophy for Teachers	3	_____	_____
EDUC 307	Instructional Pract. for Diff. Instruction	3	_____	_____
EDUC _____	Education Elective ⁵	3	_____	_____
_____	Cultural Studies Elective ⁶	3	_____	_____
Area of Study II: Content Core				
EDSP 360	Learning & Behavior Problems	3	_____	_____
EDSP 367	Introduction to Autism Spect. Disorders	3	_____	_____
EDSP 370	Interv. for Students with Intellect. Disab.	3	_____	_____
EDSP 377	Autism: Educational & Theoretical App.	3	_____	_____
EDSP 410	Instructional Adaptation for Special Ed.	3	_____	_____
EDSP 429	Survey of Trends in Special Education	3	_____	_____
PSYC 345	Exceptional Child	3	_____	_____

FREE ELECTIVES (3-24 hours)

Notes

All applicable prerequisites must be met

¹Refer to the list of approved general education electives at www.liberty.edu/gened before enrolling in core competency requirements

²Literature Elective recommended

³Students transferring in 45 or more UG credit hours will have the requirement of RLGN 104 waived; Students transferring in 60 or more UG credit hours will also have the requirement of THEO 104 waived

⁴Major Foundational Courses can also fulfill General Education/Core Competency requirements as applicable

⁵Choose from EDUC 380^{7,8}, 390^{7,9}, or 398¹⁰

⁶Choose any Cultural Studies course from the General Education list

⁷Background check clearance required for EDUC 380 and 390

⁸Capstone course that requires no field experience and does not lead to ACSI licensure

⁹Capstone course where students must complete a minimum of 300 hours and leads to ACSI licensure

¹⁰EDUC 398 requires 45 hours of field experience

Suggested Course Sequence on second page

Graduation Requirements

120 Total Hours

2.0 Overall grade point average

30 Hours must be upper-level courses (300-400 level)

Grade of 'C' Minimum required for all upper-level courses in the major

50% Of major taken through Liberty University

30 Hours must be completed through Liberty University

Grad App Submission of Graduation Application must be completed within the last semester of a student's anticipated graduation date

SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE

FRESHMAN YEAR

First Semester		Second Semester	
BIBL 104	4	ENGL 101	3
UNIV 104	0-3	HIEU 201 OR HIUS 221	3
Communications Elective [COMS 101] ¹	3	THEO 104	4
EDUC 200	3	EDUC 301	3
EDUC 205	<u>3</u>	EDUC 302	<u>3</u>
Total	13-16	Total	16

SOPHOMORE YEAR

PSYC 101 OR 210	3	Composition Elective [ENGL 102] ¹	3
RLGN 104	4	EDSP 367	3
Information Literacy Elective [HIEU 201 OR HIUS 221] ¹	3	EDSP 429	3
EDUC 304	3	EDUC 305	3
PSYC 345	<u>3</u>	Elective	<u>3</u>
Total	16	Total	15

JUNIOR YEAR

Social Science Elective [PSYC 101 OR 210] ¹	3	BIOL 101 OR 102 OR PHSC 210 OR PHYS 101 ¹	3
EDSP 360	3	Cultural Studies Elective ¹	3
EDSP 370	3	Literature OR Philosophy Elective ^{1,2}	3
EDSP 410	3	Elective	3
Elective	<u>3</u>	Elective	<u>3</u>
Total	15	Total	15

SENIOR YEAR

MATH 117 OR 217	3	Cultural Studies Elective ³	3
Natural Science Elective	3	Math Elective [MATH 117 OR 217] ¹	3
[BIOL 101 OR 102 OR PHSC 210 OR PHYS 101] ¹		Education Elective ³	3
EDSP 377	3	Elective	3
EDUC 307	3	Elective	<u>3</u>
Elective	<u>3</u>		
Total	15	Total	15

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OPTIONAL FIFTH YEAR FOR M.A.T. & LICENSURE:
SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE

<u>First Semester¹</u>		<u>Second Semester³</u>	
EDUC 500	3	EDUC 524	3
EDUC 504 ²	3	EDUC 525	3
EDUC 521	3	EDUC 530	3
EDUC 606	3	EDUC 554 ⁴	3
EDUC 623 ²	<u>3</u>	EDUC 622 ²	<u>3</u>
Total	15	Total	15
<u>Student Teaching Semester</u>			
EDUC 571 ⁵	3		
EDUC 59_ ⁶	<u>3</u>		
Total	6		

Notes

¹Submit Gate 2 and Content Competencies; Register for Praxis II, VCLA, and RVE

²Intensive Course

³Submit Gate 3 by 2/15 for fall or 9/15 for spring

⁴EDUC 554 required prior to RVE

⁵EDUC 571 must be taken directly before or during student teaching

⁶Students will be assigned either EDUC 590, 591, 592 or 593. Course and section number will be designated during Gate 3 Application.

Please note that the requirements for the MAT: Elementary Education are subject to change before admission into the degree program. For the most up to date degree information please visit the Liberty University Online website.