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THE GRADUATE SCHOOL

Education Specialist Curriculum and Instruction (Ed.S.)
Elementary Education Cognate
2022-2023 Degree Completion Plan

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.

EDUCATION THEORY COURSES (6 hours)	Hrs	Sem	Grade
EDUC 701 Advanced Learning Theory & Research	3		

Choose one of the following courses:

EDUC 703 Theories of Historical & Philosophical Foundations	3		
EDUC 741 Theories of Educational Leadership[1]	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		

ELEMENTARY EDUCATION COGNATE (9 hours)

EDRS 659 Foundation & Theories of Literacy Instruction	3		

Choose two of the following courses:

EDUC 624 Instructional Methods for Behavior & Learning	3		
EDUC 634 Teaching Science in the Elementary School	3		
EDUC 636 Teaching Social Studies in the Elementary School	3		
EDUC 672 Curriculum Development (Elementary/Secondary)	3		
EDUC 675 Elementary Curriculum and Methods	3		

RESEARCH & EVALUATION COURSES (6 hours)

EDUC 750 Survey of Educational Research	3		
EDUC 798 Advanced Research & Writing[2]	3		
TOTAL HOURS	**30**		

Graduation Requirements
Complete 30 hours
A maximum of 50% of a post-graduate and doctoral degree 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 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

Offered in Online Format

Notes
All applicable prerequisites must be met
[1]Intensive Format optional
[2]Capstone course to be taken in final semester
Suggested Course Sequence on second page

SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE

First Semester (B-Term)
EDUC 701	3
Cognate Elective[1]	3
Total	6

First Semester (D-Term)
EDUC 703 or 741[2]	3
Core Elective[3]	3
Total	6

Second Semester (B-Term)
Cognate Elective[1]	3
Core Elective[3]	3
Total	6

Second Semester (D-Term)
EDUC 750	3
EDRS 659	3
Total	6

Third Semester (B-Term)
EDUC 798[4]	3
Core Elective[3]	3
Total	6

Notes
[1]Choose from the following courses: EDUC 624, 634, 636, 672, or 675
[2]Intensive Format optional
[3]Choose one course from the following: EDUC 730[3,5], 735, 771, 871, or 872
[4]Course should be taken in final semester