

Graduate Certificate in Special Education – General Curriculum Add-On Endorsement

2023-2024 Certificate Completion Plan

Upon completion of this program, the Add-On Endorsement in Special Education General Curriculum is an option for those who:

- 1. Have earned a baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited college or university and
- 2. Hold a current teaching license issued by the Virginia Board of Education in one of the following endorsement areas:
  - Elementary Education
  - Middle Grades Education with endorsement(s) in English, history and social sciences, mathematics, or science
  - Secondary Grades Education with endorsement(s) in English, history and social sciences, mathematics, biology, chemistry, Earth science, or physics

This Special Education General Curriculum Add-on Endorsement only applies to the grade band of the initial license (e.g., Elementary Education).

CORE COURSES (15 hours)		<u>Hrs</u>	<u>Semester</u>	<u>Grade</u>
EDLC 530	Teaching Mathematics	3		
EDLC 554	Reading & Language Acquisition	3		
EDSP 521	Foundations of Exceptionality	3		
EDSP 524	Collaborating for Successful Inclusive Classrooms	3		
EDSP 525	Transition & Assessment for Exceptional Learners <sup>1,2</sup>	3		
FIELD EXPERIENCE COURSE (0 hours)				
Choose one of the following courses:				
EDSP 545	Practicum in Special Ed for Add On Endorse - Elementary <sup>1,2,3</sup>	0		
EDSP 546	Practicum in Special Ed for Add On Endorse - Middle Grades <sup>1,2,3</sup>	0		
<b>EDSP 547</b>	Practicum in Special Ed for Add On Endorse - Secondary <sup>1,2,3</sup>	0		
	TOTAL HOURS	15		

## **Completion Requirements**

15 total hours

A maximum of 50% of the program hours may be transferred if approved and allowable

2.0 GPA

No grade of D may be applied to the degree (includes grades of D+ & D-)

Certificate must be completed within 3 years

Submit Certificate Completion Application at beginning of final semester

## Offered in Online Format

## **Notes**

Students who want to apply certificate courses to a graduate degree program will have to abide by the GPA and grade requirements of that degree.

<sup>1</sup>Course should not be taken in the summer terms

<sup>2</sup>EDSP 545, 546, or 547 should be taken in the same semester as EDSP 525

<sup>3</sup>Candidates will complete a 45 hour practicum

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