

| <u>EDUCATION ELECTIVE COURSES (21 hours)¹</u> | | <u>Hrs</u> | <u>Sem</u> | <u>Grade</u> |
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| EDUC _____ | _____ 2 | 3 | _____ | _____ |
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| <u>SPECIAL EDUCATION COGNATE (9 hours)¹</u> | | | | |
| <i>Choose three of the following courses:</i> | | | | |
| EDSP 722 | History & Future of Special Education | 3 | _____ | _____ |
| EDSP 724 | Collaboration & Communication in Special Education | 3 | _____ | _____ |
| EDSP 725 | Assessment & Evaluation in Special Education | 3 | _____ | _____ |
| EDSP 726 | Disability & Learning | 3 | _____ | _____ |
| EDUC 721 | Issues & Trends in Exceptionality | 3 | _____ | _____ |
| <u>RESEARCH COURSES (9 hours)¹</u> | | | | |
| EDUC 812 | Advanced Educational Statistics | 3 | _____ | _____ |
| EDUC 815 | Quantitative Methods of Research | 3 | _____ | _____ |
| EDUC 817 | Qualitative Methods of Research | 3 | _____ | _____ |
| <u>DISSERTATION COURSES (21 hours)³</u> | | | | |
| EDDR 915 | Quantitative Dissertation Topic & Planning | 3 | _____ | _____ |
| or EDDR 917 | Qualitative Dissertation Topic & Planning | | | |
| EDDR 980 | Quantitative Dissertation Prospectus | 3 | _____ | _____ |
| or EDDR 981 | Qualitative Dissertation Prospectus | | | |
| EDDR 987 | Dissertation & Research I ⁴ | 5 | _____ | _____ |
| EDDR 988 | Dissertation & Research II ⁴ | 5 | _____ | _____ |
| EDDR 989 | Dissertation & Research III ⁴ | 5 | _____ | _____ |
| EDDR 990 | Dissertation & Research IV | 0 | _____ | _____ |
| TOTAL HOURS | | 60 | | |

Graduation Requirements

Complete 60 hours
 A minimum of 21 hours must be completed through Liberty University, not to include from a prior degree earned through Liberty
 A maximum of 39 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 grades lower than a B- may be applied to the degree
 Successful defense of dissertation
 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
¹Equivalent courses from a conferred Ed.D. or Ph.D. from a regionally accredited institution, including credit from an Ed.D. or Ph.D. previously earned through Liberty, may be applied to the degree. Only 15 credit hours of Graduate Level (500-600) courses may be transferred, all other courses must be Doctoral Level (700-900).
²Choose a 500-800 level EDUC course not already required by the degree.
³Once the student enters the Dissertation phase, he/she must maintain continuous enrollment (Fall, Spring, and Summer semesters) until all degree requirements are completed.
⁴Ph.D. students are allowed to enroll in EDDR 987, 988, and 989, one time. Extensions for exceptional circumstances must be approved by the School of Education.
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SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE

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| <u>First Semester (B-Term)</u> | | <u>First Semester (D-Term)</u> | |
| EDUC Elective ^{1,2} | 3 | EDUC Elective ^{1,2} | 3 |
| EDUC Elective ^{1,2} | <u>3</u> | EDUC Elective ^{1,2} | <u>3</u> |
| Total | 6 | Total | 6 |
| <u>Second Semester (B-Term)</u> | | <u>Second Semester (D-Term)</u> | |
| EDUC Elective ^{1,2} | 3 | EDUC Elective ^{1,2} | 3 |
| EDUC Elective ^{1,2} | <u>3</u> | Cognate Elective ³ | 3 |
| Total | 6 | Total | 6 |
| <u>Third Semester (B-Term)</u> | | <u>Third Semester (D-Term)</u> | |
| Cognate Elective ³ | 3 | Cognate Elective ³ | 3 |
| EDUC 812 ¹ | <u>3</u> | EDUC 815 ¹ | <u>3</u> |
| Total | 6 | Total | 6 |
| <u>Fourth Semester (B-Term)</u> | | <u>Fourth Semester (D-Term)⁴</u> | |
| EDUC 817 ¹ | <u>3</u> | EDDR 915 or 917 | <u>3</u> |
| Total | 3 | Total | 3 |
| <u>Fifth Semester (B-Term)⁴</u> | | <u>Sixth Semester (A-Term)⁴</u> | |
| EDDR 980 or 981 | <u>3</u> | EDDR 987 ⁵ | <u>5</u> |
| Total | 3 | Total | 5 |
| <u>Seventh Semester (A-Term)⁴</u> | | <u>Eighth Semester (A-Term)⁴</u> | |
| EDDR 988 ⁵ | <u>5</u> | EDDR 989 ⁵ | 5 |
| Total | 5 | EDDR 990 | <u>0</u> |
| | | Total | 5 |

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³Choose one of the following courses: EDSP 722, 724, 725, 726, or EDUC 721.

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