

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

General Special Education

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Certification in K-12 General Special Education is a single major or can be combined with the K-6 Elementary Education Certification. Combining the two majors result in 1 16-week Elementary placements and an additional 8-week student teaching placement in Special Education.

The content area courses follow the requirements of the Elementary Education certification to give the candidate the breadth of knowledge consistent with a K-12 certification.

MT151 College Algebra
 EN204 Introduction to American Literature
 EN232 The Teaching of Writing
 HS308 From Sea to Shining Sea: the Geography of the United States
 HS319 History of New England
 PO201 US Government
 HS202 American History or
 HS204 US History

Required Courses for General Special Education Major

ED105 Educational Psychology 3 Credits
 ED112 Teaching and Learning in a Democratic Society 3 Credits
 ED224 Design and Management in the Public School Setting 30 hours 3 Credits
 ED231 Primary Literacy 15 hours 3 Credits
 ED263 Methods in Teaching Mathematics 15 hours 3 Credits
 ED308 Introduction to Assessment 3 Credits
 ED312 Understanding and Teaching Exceptional Learners 15 hours 3 Credits
 ED314 Scientific Inquiry and Teaching Methods 15 hours 3 Credits or
 ED316 Methods in Teaching Social Studies 15 hours
 ED328 Special Education Law 3 Credits
 ED340 Assessment/Identification of the Exceptional Learner Exceptional Learner 3 Credits
 ED341 IEPs and Instructional Considerations 15 hours 3 Credits
 ED345 Effective Communication and Consultation 3 Credits
 ED350 Teaching Literacy across the Curriculum 15 hours 3 Credits
 ED360
 MT130 Best Practices in Secondary Context
 Math for Educators 3 Credits

Total field hours prior to student teaching 135 hours

ED462 GSE Student Teaching (16 weeks) 14
 ED463 GSE Student Teaching Seminar 1
 Total Credits: 60

Specific Testing for Certification
 Basic Academic Skills Assessment (BASA)

Recommended Curriculum Guide - General Special Education

First Year					
Fall Semester		Credits	Spring Semester		Credits
ED105	Educational Psychology	3	ED112	Teaching and Learning in	3

				a Democratic Society	
GLE101	First-Year Inquiry Seminar	3	EN204	Intro to American Literature	3
GLE110	First-Year Composition	3	MT 151	College Algebra	3
MT130	Math for K-8 Educators	3	HS202 or 204	U.S. History	3
PO201	US Government	3	_____	GLE Natural Science	4
	Total	15		Total	16

Second Year

<i>Fall Semester</i>		<i>Credits</i>	<i>Spring Semester</i>		<i>Credits</i>
ED224	Design and Management of the Learning Environment	3	ED312	Understanding and Teaching Exceptional Learners	3
ED231	Primary Literacy	3	ED314	Scientific Inquiry and Teaching Methods	3
_____	GLE Natural Science	4	_____	GLE Art and Design	3
ED316	Methods in Teaching Social Studies	3	ED263	Methods in Teaching Math	3
_____	GLE Humanities	3	GLE230	Second-Year Composition	3
	Total	16		Total	15

Third Year

<i>Fall Semester</i>		<i>Credits</i>	<i>Spring Semester</i>		<i>Credits</i>
ED328	Special Education and the Law	3	ED340	Assessment & Identification	3
ED341	IEP Development	3	ED345	Effective Communication	3
ED308	Introduction to Assessment	3	ED350	Teaching Literacy Across the Curriculum	3
EN232	Teaching of Writing	3	HS308	From Sea to Shining Sea	3
HS319	History of New England	3	_____	GLE Humanities	3
	Total	15		Total	15

Fourth Year

<i>Fall Semester</i>		<i>Credits</i>	<i>Spring Semester</i>		<i>Credits</i>
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ED360	Best Practices in Secondary Education	3	ED462	General Special Education Student Teaching	14
_____	GLE Arts & Design	3	ED463	General Special Education Student Teaching Seminar	1
_____	Two Electives	6		Total	15
_____	GLE Natural Science	4			
	Total	16		Total Credits	122