

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

M.Ed./Teacher Certification in General Special Education

Required Education Courses

	Course	Field Hours	Credits	M.Ed. w/Cert	M.Ed. Only	Cert. Only
ED501	Graduate Teacher Education Program Orientation		2	X	X	-
ED506	Educational Psychology		3	X	X	X
ED505	Teaching and Learning in a Democratic Society		3	X	X	X
ED510	Design and Management of the Learning Environment	30	3	X	X	X
ED515	Primary Literacy	15	3	X	X	X
ED518	Methods in Teaching Mathematics	15	3	X	X	X
ED508	Introduction to Assessment		3	X	X	X

ED509	Understanding and Teaching Exceptional Learners	15	3	X	X	X
ED512	Special Education Law		3	X	X	X
ED540	Assessments/ Identification of the Exceptional Learner	15	3	X	X	X
ED541	IEPs and Instructional Considerations	15	3	X	X	X
ED526	Best Practices in Secondary Context	30	3	X	-	X
ED545	Effective Consultation and Communication		3	X	X	X
ED516	Teaching Literacy across the Curriculum	15	3	X	X	X
ED578	Action Research in the Classroom (required for Certification)		3	X	X	X
ED562A	Student Teaching for General Special Education		3	X	-	X
ED562B	Student Teaching for General Special Education		3	X	-	X
ED574	Student Teaching Seminar (to be taken with ED562 A&B)		1	X	-	X
ED585	Student Research Capstone		1	-	X	-
	Total Credits			51	42	49

Total field hours prior to student teaching 135 hours

ED462 GSE Student Teaching (10 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					
<i>Fall Semester</i>		<i>Credits</i>	<i>Spring Semester</i>		<i>Credits</i>
ED105	Educational Psychology	3	ED112	Teaching and Learning in a Democratic Society	3
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>
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

Program Courses

Course Code	Course Name
ED105	Educational Psychology
ED112	Teach, Learn & Technology
ED224	Design/Mgmt Teach & Learn
ED231	Primary Literacy
ED263	Methods Teaching Math
ED308	Intro to Assessment
ED312	Undrstnd & Teach Excp Lrn
ED314	Scientific Inq Teach Meth
ED316	Methods Teach Soc Studies
ED328	Special Education Law
ED340	Assmt/Ident Excpnl Lnr
ED341	IEP and Instruct Consdrtm
ED345	Effective Comm & Collabor
ED350	Tch Literacy Across Curr
ED463	Gen Spcl Ed Std Teach Sem
ED464	Gen Spcl Ed Student Teach
EN204	Intro American Literature
EN232	The Teaching of Writing
HS202	Amer Hist Slavery/Civ War

Course Code	Course Name
HS204	U.S. History Since 1945
HS308	From Sea to Sea: US Geo
HS319	History of New England
MT130	Math for K-8 Educators
MT151	College Algebra
PO201	U.S. Government