

ADD-ON ENDORSEMENT IN SPECIAL EDUCATION, GENERAL CURRICULUM GRADUATE CERTIFICATE

Banner Code: E1-CERG-EDGC

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This certificate is designed for elementary and secondary education teachers. Coursework provides knowledge and skills for working with students with disabilities, and meets Virginia Department of Education (VDOE) requirements for teachers endorsed in elementary education (such as early/primary education preK-3 or elementary education preK-6) or in English, history and social sciences, mathematics, biology, chemistry, Earth science, or physics to add a grade level endorsement in special education: general curriculum.

EDCI 790	Internship in Education	1
Total Credits		16

¹ Students seeking to add an endorsement to an elementary license must take EDSE 627. All others must take EDSE 544.

Admissions & Policies

Policies

The VDOE add-on endorsement is grade-level specific and requires a current VDOE endorsement in elementary education (such as early/primary education preK-3 or elementary education preK-6) or in English, history and social sciences, mathematics, biology, chemistry, Earth science, or physics.

Students who have completed graduate or undergraduate coursework equivalent to certificate coursework prior to admission to this program may request that some courses in this certificate be waived. Students who are eligible to waive coursework must complete a minimum of 12 credits to graduate. Students must earn a B- or better in all coursework.

For policies governing all graduate certificates, see AP.6.8 Requirements for Graduate Certificates (<https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/academic/graduate-policies/#ap-6-8>).

Requirements

Certificate Requirements

Total credits: 16

This certificate may be pursued on a full-or part-time basis.

Coursework

Code	Title	Credits
EDSE 501	Introduction to Special Education	3
EDSE 544	Adapted Instructional Methods and Transition for Secondary Learners ¹	3
or EDSE 627	Assessment	
EDSE 641	Instructional Strategies for Reading and Writing	3
EDSE 643	Instructional Strategies for Math	3
EDSE 662	Consultation and Collaboration	3