

**GEORGE MASON UNIVERSITY  
COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT  
SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAM**

**Masters in Special Education program and the Licensure Certificate program in Students with Disabilities  
Accessing the General Curriculum**

*Due to overlaps in the requirements of the two programs, students are able to complete these programs concurrently.*

	<b><i>Masters in Special Education Program (30 credits)</i></b>	<b><i>Students with Disabilities Accessing the General Curriculum Licensure Certificate Program (15-33 credits)*</i></b>
<b>Coursework applies to both MED and licensure program</b>	<b>EDSE 501 Intro to Spec Educ (3 cr.)</b>	<b>EDSE 501 Intro to Spec Educ (3 cr.)</b>
	<b>EDSE 503 Lang Develop &amp; Reading (3 cr.)</b>	<b>EDSE 503 Lang Develop &amp; Reading (3 cr.)</b>
	<b>EDSE 662 Consultation &amp; Collab (3 cr.)</b>	<b>EDSE 662 Consultation &amp; Collab (3 cr.)</b>
	<b>EDSE 791 Midpoint Portfolio (1 cr.)</b>	<b>EDSE 791 Midpoint Portfolio (1 cr.)<sup>1</sup></b>
	<b>EDSE 792 Final Portfolio (1 cr.)</b>	<b>EDSE 792 Final Portfolio (1 cr.)<sup>2</sup></b>
<b>Licensure certificate courses can apply as electives in the MED program</b>	<b>13 cr. electives which can be any Special Education courses (EDSE):</b>	<b>EDSE 502 Classrm Mgt &amp; ABA (3 cr.)</b>
		<b>EDSE 540 Charac of Students with Disab who Access the General Curriculum (3 cr.)</b>
		<b>EDSE 544 Adapt Instruct Methods/ Trans for Sec Learners (3 cr.)</b>
		<b>EDSE 627 Assessment (3 cr.)</b>
		<b>EDSE 628 Elem Reading, Curric, Methods (3 cr.)</b>
		<b>EDSE 629 Sec Curric &amp; Methods (3 cr.)</b>
		<b>EDSE 790 Internship – Elem level (2 cr.)<sup>3</sup></b>
		<b>EDSE 790 Internship – Sec level (2 cr.)<sup>3</sup></b>
<b>Required for MED only</b>	<b>EDSE 517 Comp Applic Spec Pop (3 cr.)</b>	
	<b>EDSE 590 Spec Educ Research (3 cr.)</b>	
<b>Credits</b>	<b>Total credits for MED: 30</b>	<b>Total credits for licensure certificate: 33</b>
	<b><i>Total credits if completing both MED and licensure certificate: 39</i></b>	

\*Students must demonstrate that they have covered the content in all courses in the program, however, students who have completed coursework in a graduate or undergraduate program may waive comparable courses in their Mason licensure certificate program down to a minimum of 15 credits.

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<sup>1</sup> EDSE 791 should be taken with the 4<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup> course in your program. On the non-cohort schedule EDSE 791 is offered in spring and fall, but is not always offered in summer. Please plan your schedule accordingly and register early to ensure you are able to take EDSE 791 with your 4<sup>th</sup> or 5<sup>th</sup> course.

<sup>2</sup> EDSE 792 should be taken with the last course in your program. It is offered every semester, but please register early to ensure you are able to take the course in the semester that you need it (cohort students can disregard).

<sup>3</sup> EDSE 790 Internship: Two internship experiences are required for licensure certificate programs: one at the elementary level and one at the secondary level. Students must have passing Praxis I, VCLA and VRA scores on file before starting an internship.

**INTERNSHIP APPLICATIONS DEADLINES ARE:**

- Fall and Summer: Due to advisor by February 1
- Fall On-the-Job: Due to advisor by April 15
- Summer On-the-Job: Due to advisor by April 15
- Spring: Due to advisor by September 1
- Spring On-the-Job: Due to advisor by November 15

*Late applications will not be accepted.*

- ❖ Some students are eligible to waive one internship experience. (See <http://cehd.gmu.edu/teacher/intpract/> for more information on the requirements for the waiver and the documentation that a student must submit in order to request the waiver.)
  - Students who are teaching may complete one internship on the job and request a waiver of the off level internship (e.g. a secondary teacher may complete an on the job internship at the secondary level and request a waiver for the elementary internship.)
  - Waiving an internship affects the number of credits that a student will have to apply to a certificate program since waiving the course means that 2 credits that the student would normally complete will no longer be applied to their certificate. If you unsure if will be able to meet the 15 credit minimum for the certificate, please discuss your options with an advisor (Jancy Templeton, [jtemple1@gmu.edu](mailto:jtemple1@gmu.edu), 703-993-2387) before deciding whether or not to pursue the waiver option.