

SPECIAL EDUCATION

Degree: Bachelor of Arts
 Specializations: Emotionally Handicapped, Learning Disabled, Mental Handicaps
 Minor: Handicapped Individual Services
 Division: Teacher Education
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 College: Professional Studies
 Semester Hours Required for Degree: 135-138

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The B.A. degree program in Special Education is designed to prepare students who plan to teach children and youth who are mentally handicapped, learning disabled, or emotionally handicapped. Many aspects of the program provide the student with opportunities to work with exceptional children. With judicious planning and completion of appropriate electives, graduates of this program may become eligible for certification in more than one area of special education, or elementary education. The challenges and intrinsic rewards, together with the NCATE professional endorsement quality, make our B.A. program in Special Education a rewarding and satisfying career.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

In addition to general University requirements, students seeking the B.A. in Special Education must meet the requirements listed below.

Consult with your academic advisor for courses which may satisfy both the General Studies requirements and common prerequisites.

Candidates for admission to UWF's NCATE/DOE approved teacher education programs must meet and complete admission requirements detailed under Admission to Teacher Education. These requirements include, but are not limited to, satisfactory completion of all areas of the College-Level Academic Skills Test (CLAST) and both the Professional and Subject Area portions of the Florida Teacher Certification Examination (FCTE).

Requirements for teacher education programs may change due to legislative mandates. Therefore, the actual program requirements may differ from those listed in the catalog. Candidates must inquire with the Chair of the Division of Teacher Education or with Teacher Education Student Services to obtain the most current program requirements.

Course descriptions are listed alphabetically by prefix in the back of this catalog.

Lower Division Requirements (61 sh)

The State of Florida mandates specified courses for the Middle School Education program. These common prerequisites, when combined with the University's general studies program requirements, comprise 61 hours of lower division courses. In addition to three specified education courses (EDF 1005, EDG 2701, and EME 2040), 52 hours must be chosen from the following liberal arts and sciences areas: (a) communications; (b) mathematics; (c) natural and

or physical sciences; (d) fine arts and/or humanities; and (e) social sciences. The hours must include at a minimum:

- Nine hours in English to include writing, literature, and speech.
- Nine hours in science to include earth science, life science, and physical science with a minimum of one associated lab.
- Nine hours in mathematics to include college algebra or above and geometry.
- Twelve hours in the social sciences to include American history and general psychology.
- Six hours in the humanities to include philosophy and fine arts.

In addition to EDG 2701, a minimum of 6 hours with an international or diversity focus is required. UWF courses meeting this requirement are indicated below with an "***".

UWF students majoring in Special Education should take the following courses to meet the general studies requirement and the state mandated common prerequisites.

English/Humanities (18 sh)

ENC 1101	English Composition I	3
ENC 1102	English Composition II	3
PHI 2603	Ethics in Contemporary Society	3
SPC 2016	Basic Communication Skills	3
* LIT 2112	Introduction to Literature	3

Choose one:

ART 2003C	Visual Arts Experience	3
MUL 2110	Music in Western Civilization	3
THE 2000	The Theatre Experience	3

Social Science/History (15 sh)

*CPO 2002	Comparative Politics	3
*EUH 1000	Western Perspectives I	3
*GEA 2000	Nations and Regions of the World	3

Choose one:

AMH 2010	United States to 1877	3
AMH 2020	United States since 1877	3

Choose one:

DEP 2004	Human Development Across the Life Span	3
PSY 2012	General Psychology	3

Science (10 sh)

BSC 1010	General Biology I	3
GEO 1200/L	Physical Geography/Lab	4
PHY 1020	Introduction to Concepts in Physics	3

Mathematics (9 sh)

Choose one:

MAC 1105	College Algebra	3
MAC 1140	Precalculus Algebra	3
MGF 1106	Mathematics for Liberal Arts I	3

Required:

MGF 1107	Mathematics for Liberal Arts II	3
STA 2023	Elements of Statistics	3

Education Courses (9 sh)

EDF 1005	Introduction to Education	3
*EDG 2701	Teaching Diverse Populations	3
EME 2040	Introduction to Educational Technology	3

Transfer students from Florida public institutions with an Associate of Arts degree should complete the state mandated requirements as part of their degree program. Students

transferring prior to completion of the A.A. degree or transferring from non-Florida public institutions should contact Teacher Education Student Services. The following upper division courses are required for all specializations:

Special Education Core (41 sh)		
EDE	4200	Planning & Curriculum I 2
EDE	4201	Planning & Curriculum II 2
EDF	3xxx	Applied Foundations of Education 3
EEX	2010	Introduction to Exceptional Children 3
EEX	4141	Survey of Normal & Abnormal Language & Speech Development 3
EEX	4221C	Evaluation & Prescriptive Instruction for the Exceptional Child 3
EEX	4261	Educational Management of Exceptional Children 3
EEX	4772	Personal, Social & Employment Skills for Exceptional Students 3
EME	3410	Integrating Technology Across the Curriculum 1
LAE	3314	Language Skills & Literature in the Elementary School 3
MAE	4310	Teaching Mathematics in the Elementary School 3
RED	3310	Teaching Developmental Reading in the Elementary School 3
RED	4542	Teaching Developmental Reading in the Elementary School II 3
TSL	4080	Foundations of Teaching ESOL Students in the Schools 3
TSL	4xxx	Empowering Teachers to Teach English to ESOL Students 3
Student Teaching (12 sh)		
EDG	4330	Senior Seminar: Teaching in Special Education Settings 2
EDG	4940	Student Teaching 6
EED	4940	Practicum in Teaching of Children with Emotional Handicaps 3
EEX	4939	Professional Development Seminar - Special Education 1

EMOTIONALLY HANDICAPPED SPECIALIZATION

Major (74-77 sh)

Special Education Core (41 sh)

See above

Specialization: Emotional Handicaps (12 sh)

EED	4212	Behavior Management for the Emotionally Handicapped 3
EED	4220	Foundations of Emotional Handicaps 3
EED	4230	Curriculum Development for the Emotionally Handicapped 3
EED	4944	Instructional Strategies and Technology Practicum for Students with Emotional Handicaps 3

Second Area of Specialization (9-12 sh)

Choose one option:

Learning Disabled Option

ELD	4011	Foundations of Learning Disabilities 3
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ELD	4850	Instructional Strategies for Teaching Students with Specific Learning Disabilities 3
ELD	4941	Curriculum Materials & Technology Practicum for Students with Learning Disabilities 3

Mentally Handicapped Option (12 sh)

EMR	4011	Foundations of Mentally Handicapped 3
EMR	4211	Instructional Strategies for Teaching Students with Mental Handicaps 3
EMR	4221	Curriculum for Moderately, Severely & Profoundly Mentally Handicapped 3
EMR	4944	Curriculum Materials and Technology Practicum for Students with Mental Handicaps 3

Student Teaching (12 sh)

See above

Upper Division Electives (0 sh)

LEARNING DISABLED SPECIALIZATION

Major (74)

Special Education Core (41 sh)

See above

Specialization: Learning Disabled (9 sh)

ELD	4011	Foundations of Learning Disabilities 3
ELD	4115	Curriculum for Teaching Students with Learning Disabilities 3
ELD	4945	Instructional Strategies/Technology/Reading Practicum for Students with Learning Disabilities 3

Second Area of Specialization (12 sh)

Choose one option:

Emotionally Handicapped Option (12 sh)

EED	4212	Behavior Management for the Emotionally Handicapped 3
EED	4220	Foundations of Emotional Handicaps 3
EED	4224	Instructional Strategies for Teaching Students with Emotional Handicaps 3
EED	4941	Curriculum, Materials & Technology Practicum for Students with Emotional Handicaps 3

Mentally Handicapped Option (12 sh)

EMR	4011	Foundations of Mentally Handicapped 3
EMR	4211	Instructional Strategies for Teaching Students with Mental Handicaps 3
EMR	4221	Curriculum for Moderately, Severely & Profoundly Mentally Handicapped 3
EMR	4944	Curriculum, Materials, & Technology Practicum for Students with Mental Handicaps 3

Student Teaching (12 sh)

See above

Upper Division Electives (0 sh)

MENTAL HANDICAPS SPECIALIZATION

Major (74-77 sh)

Special Education Core (41 sh)
See above

Mentally Handicapped Option (12 sh)

EMR	4011	Foundations of Mentally Handicapped	3
EMR	4212	Curriculum Development and Vocational Preparation - Educable Mentally Handicapped	3
EMR	4221	Curriculum for Moderately, Severely & Profoundly Mentally Handicapped	3
EMR	4945	Instructional Strategies/Technology/Reading Practicum for Students with Mental Handicaps	3

Second Area of Specialization (9-12 sh)

Choose one option:

Learning Disabled Option (9 sh)

ELD	4011	Foundations of Learning Disabilities	3
ELD	4941	Curriculum Materials & Technology Practicum for Students with Learning Disabilities	3
ELD	4850	Instructional Strategies for Teaching Students with Specific Learning Disabilities	3

Emotionally Handicapped Option (12 sh)

EED	4212	Behavior Management for the Emotionally Handicapped	3
EED	4220	Foundations of Emotional Handicaps	3
EED	4224	Instructional Strategies for Teaching Students with Emotional Handicaps	3
EED	4941	Curriculum, Materials & Technology Practicum for Students with Emotional Handicaps	3

Student Teaching (12 sh)
See above

Upper Division Electives (0 sh)

MINOR

Handicapped Individual Services

The minor in Handicapped Individual Services consists of 12 sh of special education courses. This minor is not available to Special Education majors.

EED	4212	Behavior Management for the Emotionally Handicapped	3
EEX	2010	Introduction to Exceptional Children	3
ELD	4011	Foundations of Learning Disabilities	3
EMR	4011	Foundations of Mentally Handicapped	3