

SPECIAL & GIFTED EDUCATION (M.ED.) - TWICE EXCEPTIONALITIES: WITH TRANSITION & SPECIAL NEEDS, GIFTED EDUCATION, & SPECIAL EDUCATION GENERAL CURRICULUM (ADD-ON ENDORSEMENT)

Important: This degree plan is effective for those starting this degree program in fall 2025 through summer 2026. This degree plan will remain in effect for students who do not break enrollment or who do not change degree programs, concentrations, or cognates.

This program provides the option to earn an add-on endorsement to an existing initial Virginia teaching license. This program is not designed to meet the requirements for an initial teaching license. If the initial teaching license is not from Virginia, a Virginia initial teaching license must be obtained during the program.

Code	Title	Hours
Core Courses		
EDGL 619	Supporting the Social, Emotional, and Guidance Needs of the Gifted	3
EDGL 620	Curriculum and Methods for Teaching Gifted Learners ¹	3
EDGL 627	Program Design and Services in Gifted Education	3
EDLC 530	Teaching Mathematics	3
EDLC 554	Foundations in Early Literacy Instruction	3
EDSP 524	Collaborating for Successful Inclusive Classrooms	3
Total Hours		18

¹ Candidates will complete a 45 hour practicum requiring a cleared background check.

Code	Title	Hours
Twice-Exceptionalities Concentration		
EDGL 520	Twice-Exceptional Learners	3
EDGL 526	Identification and Education of the Gifted Learner	3
EDSP 521	Foundations of Exceptionality ¹	3
EDSP 522	Special Education and Disability Law	3
EDSP 525	Transition and Assessment for Exceptional Learners ^{2,3,4}	3
EDSP 529	Employment, Community, and Independent Living	3
Total Hours		18

¹ Completion of this course allows candidates to apply for a Provisional License in Special Education in VA.

² Course should not be taken in the summer terms.

³ EDSP 545, EDSP 546, or EDSP 547 should be taken in the same semester as EDSP 525

⁴ If a candidate is not seeking to fulfill the licensure practicum requirement, they may contact soelicensure@liberty.edu for opt out course availabilities.

Code	Title	Hours
Gate & Field Experience Courses		
EDGL 598	Field Experience Practicum: Gifted Learners ^{1,2}	0
EDGT 677	School of Education Gate 1 – Graduate Add-On Licensure	0
EDGT 679	School of Education Gate 2 – Graduate Add-On Licensure	0
EDGT 681	School of Education Gate 3 – Graduate Add-On Licensure	0
<i>Choose one of the following:</i>		<i>0</i>
EDSP 545	Practicum in Special Education for Add-On Endorsement – Elementary ^{1,3,4,5}	
EDSP 546	Practicum in Special Education for Add-On Endorsement – Middle ^{1,3,4,5}	
EDSP 547	Practicum in Special Education for Add-On Endorsement – Secondary ^{1,3,4,5}	
Total Hours		0

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² EDGL 598 is a co-requisite with EDGL 620

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All applicable prerequisites must be met

Graduation Requirements

- Complete 36 hours
- A maximum of 50% of the program hours may be transferred if approved and allowable, including credit from an earned degree from Liberty University on the same academic level
- 3.0 GPA
- No more than two grades of C may be applied to the degree (includes grades of C+ & C-)
- No grade of D or below may be applied to the degree (includes grades of D+ & D-)
- Degree must be completed within 5 years
- Submission of Degree Completion Application must be completed within the last semester of a student's anticipated graduation date

Program Offered in Online Format

Course Sequence

Course	Title	Hours
First Year		
First Semester		
EDGT 677	School of Education Gate 1 – Graduate Add-On Licensure	0
EDGL 520	Twice-Exceptional Learners	3
EDGL 526	Identification and Education of the Gifted Learner	3
EDGT 679	School of Education Gate 2 – Graduate Add-On Licensure	0
EDSP 521	Foundations of Exceptionality ¹	3
Hours		9
Second Semester		
EDGL 619	Supporting the Social, Emotional, and Guidance Needs of the Gifted	3
EDGT 681	School of Education Gate 3 – Graduate Add-On Licensure	0
EDLC 530	Teaching Mathematics	3
EDLC 554	Foundations in Early Literacy Instruction	3
Hours		9
Second Year		
First Semester		
EDGL 598	Field Experience Practicum: Gifted Learners ^{2,3,4,5}	0
EDGL 620	Curriculum and Methods for Teaching Gifted Learners ^{2,4,5}	3
EDSP 522	Special Education and Disability Law	3
EDSP 524	Collaborating for Successful Inclusive Classrooms	3
Hours		9
Second Semester		
EDGL 627	Program Design and Services in Gifted Education	3
EDSP 525	Transition and Assessment for Exceptional Learners ^{2,5,6}	3
EDSP 529	Employment, Community, and Independent Living	3
EDSP Elective ^{2,3,5,6}		0
Hours		9
Total Hours		36

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