

# Education Specialist Degree with a Major in Special Education

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## Selected Educational Outcomes

1. Candidates demonstrate a strong knowledge of content area(s) appropriate to their certification levels.
2. Candidates use assessment and research to make data- / evidence-based decisions to ensure the continuous development of all learners.
3. Candidates create positive learning environments for all learners.
4. Candidates use their knowledge of students and their learning to design and plan appropriate learning experiences for all learners.

## Examples of Outcome Assessments

1. Candidates demonstrate content knowledge through course-based content assessment.
2. Candidates demonstrate effective use of data and research to make data- / evidence-based decisions through completion of a review of current literature.
3. Candidates demonstrate positive learning environments through video-taped evidence.
4. Candidates demonstrate positive impact on learners through an applied research project.

## Admission Deadlines

Fall Deadline: July 15

Spring Deadline: November 15

Summer Deadline: April 15

## Requirements for the Ed.S. Degree with a Major in Special Education

| Code                                       | Title   | Hours     |
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| <b>Core Courses</b>                        |   | <b>12</b> |
| EDUC 5999                                  | Professional Orientation  | 0         |
| SPEC 8010                                  | Readings in Issues of the Education of Children and Youth with Disabilities             | 3         |
| Select one of the following:               |   | 6         |
| SPEC 8110                                  | Advanced Capstone Experience  |           |
| and Elective                               |   |           |
| OR   |   |           |
| SPEC 8999                                  | Thesis  |           |
| Approved Elective                          |   | 3         |
| <b>Required Specialization Courses</b>     |   | <b>9</b>  |
| SPEC 8020                                  | Characteristics of Effective School Structures for Children and Youth with Disabilities | 3         |
| SPEC 8030                                  | Leadership in Special Education Programs  | 3         |
| SPEC 8040                                  | Using Technology for Professional Development in Special Education                      | 3         |
| <b>Research Requirements</b>               |   | <b>6</b>  |
| RSCH 7100                                  | Research Methodology in Education   | 3         |
| SPEC 8060                                  | Single Subject Designs for Special Education Research                                   | 3         |
| <b>Total Hours Required for the Degree</b> |   | <b>27</b> |