

ADVANCE

A NOVA | MASON PARTNERSHIP

A.S. Social Science: Teacher Education Specialization
/ B.S.Ed. Special Education - Blind and Visual
Impairments PK-12 Licensure Concentration Pathway
2020-2021

A.S. Social Science: Teacher Education Specialization

ADVANCE Program Milestones

1. Students must take SDV 100 or SDV 101 in the first semester at NOVA.
2. Students must begin Developmental coursework in the first semester in ADVANCE at NOVA.
3. Students must take first college-level MTH course and ENG 111 in the semester immediately following the completion of any MTT or ENF courses (excluding summer).
4. In the first 30 credits, students must:
 - a. Complete ENG 111 and ENG 112 with a C or better.
 - b. Complete the first college-level MTH course with a C or better.
5. Students must complete at least six degree-applicable credits with a C or better each fall and spring semester.
6. Students must maintain a 2.5 cumulative GPA, and must maintain a 2.5 GPA in their major coursework.
7. Students must apply for NOVA graduation and complete their Associate's degree.

Special Education Requirements:

1. Students must maintain a 2.5 GPA in their major coursework.
2. Before matriculating to Mason, students should attempt the following tests: Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators (or qualifying substitutes) and the Virginia Communication and Literacy Assessment (VCLA).
3. By the completion of 90 credits, students must pass and submit the following tests: Emergency First Aid, CPR, and AED certification or training and Reading for Virginia Educators: Elementary and Special Education.
4. After completion of EDSE 419, students must pass and submit the following test: Praxis II: Braille Proficiency. The Praxis II exam must be complete before a student can enroll in EDSE 484.
5. In order to receive teacher licensure, students must successfully complete the following: the Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators test (or qualifying substitutes), Virginia Communication and Literacy Assessment (VCLA), Emergency First Aid, CPR, and AED certification or training, Praxis II: Braille Proficiency, and Reading for Virginia Educators: Elementary and Special Education.

	NOVA DEGREE REQUIREMENT	Credits	Courses	MASON TRANSFER EQUIVALENT	MASON CORE/DEGREE EQUIVALENT
1	SDV Course	1	SDV 101 Orientation to Education	UNIV 100	Elective
2	ENG 111	3	ENG 111 College Composition I	ENGH 101	Written Comm
3	HIS 121	3	HIS 121 United States History I	HIST 121	Soc/Behav
4	MTH 154	3	MTH 154 Quantitative Reasoning	MATH 106	Quantitative
5	Science Course #1	4	BIO 101 General Biology I OR CHM 101 Introductory Chemistry I OR GOL 105 Physical Geology OR PHY 101 Introduction to Physics I	BIOL 103 CHEM 103 GEOL 101 PHYS 103	Nat Science
6	EDU 207	3	EDU 207 Human Growth and Development	EDUC L302	Major
7	ENG 112	3	ENG 112 College Composition II	ENGH XXX	Elective
8	CST Course	3	CST 100 Principles of Public Speaking OR CST 110 Introduction to Communication	COMM 100 COMM 101	Oral Comm
9	HIS 122	3	HIS 122 United States History II	HIST 122	Elective
10	Science Course #2 (Select discipline different from Natural Science above)	4	BIO 101 General Biology I OR CHM 101 Introductory Chemistry I OR GOL 105 Physical Geology OR PHY 101 Introduction to Physics I	BIOL 103 CHEM 103 GEOL 101 PHYS 103	Nat Science
11	ITE 115	3	ITE 115 Introduction to Computer Applications and Concepts	IT 103	Info Tech
12	MTH Course #2	3	MTH 245 Statistics I	STAT 250	Elective
13	EDU 254	3	EDU 254 Teaching Basic Academic Skills to Exceptional Children	EDUC L301	Elective

14	EDU 200	3	EDU 200 Intro. to Teaching as a Profession	EDUC 200	Major
15	Humanities/Fine Arts	3	ART 101 History and Appreciation of Art I OR	ARTH 200	Arts
			ART 102 History and Appreciation of Art II OR MUS 121 Music Appreciation I	ARTH 201 MUSI 101	
16	GEO 210 or GEO 220	3	GEO 220 World Regional Geography	GGG 101	Global
17	ENG Literature	3	ENG 241 Survey of American Literature I OR ENG 242 Survey of American Literature II OR	ENGH 202	Literature
			ENG 250 Children's Literature OR ENG 251 Survey of World Literature I OR ENG 252 Survey of World Literature II		
18	Open Elective	3	EDSE 201 Introduction to Special Education	EDSE 201	Major
19	HIS 101 or 102	3	HIS 101 History of Western Civilization I OR	HIST 101	Western Civ
			HIS 102 History of Western Civilization II	HIST 102	
20	PLS Course	3	PLS 135 American National Politics OR	GOVT 103	Elective
			PLS 136 State & Local Politics OR PLS 211 US Government I	GOVT L304 GOVT 103	

A.S. SOCIAL SCIENCE DEGREE
TOTAL 60

For academic policies and procedures, please see NOVA catalog - <http://www.nvcc.edu/catalog/index.html>

B.S.Ed Special Education - Blind and Visual Impairments PK-12 Licensure Concentration

**Note: Students must maintain a 2.5 GPA in major coursework. Some courses may only be offered once a year.
Please consult your Mason Advisor.**

	MASON DEGREE REQUIREMENT	Credits	Course	MASON CORE/DEGREE EQUIVALENT
21	Program Core Requirements	3	EDSE 251 Classroom Management and Positive Behavior Supports	Major
22	Concentration Requirements	3	EDSE 311 Characteristics of Students with Blindness and Visual Impairments	Major
23	Concentration Requirements	3	EDSE 341 Language Acquisition and Reading Development	Major
24	Program Core Requirements	3	EDSE 351 Technology Integration for Specialized Instruction	Major
25	Program Core Requirements	3	EDSE 352 Assessment	Major
26	Program Core Requirements	3	EDSE 381 Exploratory Field Experience in Special Education	Major
27	Gen Ed: Written Communication (UL)	3	ENGH 302 Advanced Composition	Written Comm
28	Concentration Requirements	3	EDSE 412 Braille Code	Major
29	Program Core Requirements	3	EDSE 353 Individualized Behavior Supports	Major
30	Program Core Requirements	3	EDSE 354 Consultation and Collaboration	Major
31	Concentration Requirements	2	EDSE 414 Orientation and Mobility for Students with Blindness and Visual Impairments	Major
32	Concentration Requirements	3	EDSE 417 Teaching Methods for Students with Blindness and Visual Impairments	Major
33	Concentration Requirements	3	EDSE 418 Curriculum and Assessment of Students with Blindness and Visual Impairments	Major
34	Concentration Requirements	3	EDSE 419 Braille Reading and Writing	Major
35	Concentration Requirements	3	EDSE 413 Medical and Educational Implications of Blindness and Visual Impairments	Major
36	Concentration Requirements	3	EDAT 422 Assistive Technology for Individuals with Sensory Impairments	Major
37	Program Core Requirements	3	EDSE 451 Transition and Self-Determination	Major
38	Program Core Requirements	3	EDSE 452 Intersectionality and Disability	Writing Intensive

39	Gen Ed: Synthesis/Program Core Requirement	12	EDSE 484 Internship: Blindness and Visual Impairments	Synthesis
B.S.ED SPECIAL EDUCATION DEGREE TOTAL		125		
Denotes a course that must be taken at George Mason University. Please see your Success Coach to enroll.				
General Note: Students in a concentration must maintain a 2.5 GPA in their major coursework and successfully complete all Commonwealth of Virginia mandated tests for licensure.				
For academic policies and procedures, please see Mason catalog - https://catalog.gmu.edu/policies/				
Students seeking a bachelor's degree must apply at least 45 credits of upper-level courses (numbered 300 or above) toward graduation requirements.				