

ADVANCE

A NOVA | MASON PARTNERSHIP

A.S. Social Sciences: Teacher Education
Specialization / B.S.Ed. Early Childhood Education
for Diverse Learners - All Concentrations
2022-2023

A.S. Social Sciences: Teacher Education Specialization

ADVANCE Program Milestones

ADVANCE Milestone Requirements: All ADVANCE students must adhere to the following requirements. For Milestones #1-#3, failure to meet these milestones will prevent a student from matriculating to Mason and/or result in termination from ADVANCE. For Milestones #4-#7, failure to meet these milestones may delay matriculation to Mason.

1. Students must complete their NOVA degree within 4 years of being admitted into ADVANCE. Students are highly encouraged to be continuously enrolled at NOVA/Mason to support progress towards degree completion.
2. Students must maintain a minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA at NOVA and must have a minimum 2.5 GPA upon matriculation to Mason.
3. Students who wish to enroll at Mason for the fall semester must apply for NOVA spring graduation by March 1 or summer graduation by June 1. Students who wish to enroll at Mason for the spring semester must apply for NOVA fall graduation by October 1.
4. Students must begin developmental coursework no later than the first semester in ADVANCE at NOVA.
5. Students must take first college-level MTH course and ENG 111 in the semester immediately following the completion of any MDE or EDE courses (excluding summer).
6. In the first 30 credits, students must complete ENG 111 and ENG 112 with a C or better.
7. Students must complete a Mason Core Quantitative Reasoning course equivalent with a C or better no later than one semester before NOVA graduation. Refer to your pathway to select the appropriate MTH course(s).

ADVANCE Program-Specific Requirements:

All Concentrations Require:

1. Students must receive a C or better in all major courses for teacher licensure.
2. Before matriculating to Mason, students should attempt the Virginia Communication and Literacy Assessment (VCLA).

The Early/Primary Education PreK-3 Licensure and the Early Childhood Special Education and Early/Primary Education PreK-3 Dual Licensure concentrations also require:

3. Students should meet with the Mason Content Area Advisor prior to matriculating: <https://cehd.gmu.edu/endorse>
4. Students must pass VCLA and other state-mandated licensure exams prior to applying for Mason internship: <https://education.gmu.edu/teacher-track/about-teacher-track/test-requirements>.

The Early Childhood Special Education Licensure concentration also requires:

5. Students must pass the VCLA prior to applying for Mason internship.

	NOVA DEGREE REQUIREMENT	Credits	Courses	MASON TRANSFER EQUIVALENT	MASON CORE/DEGREE EQUIVALENT
1	SDV Course	1	SDV 100 College Success Skills	UNIV 100	General Elective
2	ENG 111	3	ENG 111 College Composition I	ENGH 101	Written Comm
3	EDU 207	3	EDU 207 Human Growth and Development	EDUC L302	General Elective
4	MTH 154 or Higher	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 ENV 121 General Environmental Science I OR GOL 105 Physical Geology OR GOL 106 Historical Geology OR PHY 100 Elements of Physics	BIO 103/105 CHEM 103 EVPP 108/109 GEOL 101/103 GEOL 102/104 PHYS 103	Nat Science
6	ENG 112	3	ENG 112 College Composition II	ENGH XXX	General Elective
7	HIS 121	3	HIS 121 United States History to 1877	HIST 121	Soc/Behav
8	EDU 200	3	EDU 200 Introduction to Teaching as a Profession	EDUC 200	General Elective
9	MTH 245 or Higher	3	MTH 245 Statistics I	STAT 250	Major
10	Science Course #2 <i>(Select discipline different from Natural Science above)</i>	4	BIO 101 General Biology I OR CHM 101 Introductory Chemistry I OR ENV 121 General Environmental Science I OR GOL 105 Physical Geology OR GOL 106 Historical Geology OR PHY 100 Elements of Physics	BIO 103/105 CHEM 103 EVPP 108/109 GEOL 101/103 GEOL 102/104 PHYS 103	Nat Science
11	EDU 280	3	EDU 280 Technology Standards for Teachers	ELED 257	Info Tech
12	CST Course	3	CST 100 Principles of Public Speaking OR CST 110 Introduction to Human Communication	COMM 100 COMM 101	Oral Comm

13	ENG Literature	3	ENG 250 Children's Literature	ELED 258	Literature
14	GEO 220	3	GEO 220 World Regional Geography	GGG 101	Global
15	HIS 122	3	HIS 122 United States History Since 1865	HIST 122	General Elective
16	EDU 254	3	EDU 254 Teaching Basic Academic Skills to Exceptional Children	EDUC L301	General Elective
17	HIS 101 or HIS 102	3	HIS 101 Western Civilizations Pre-1600 CE OR	HIST 101	Western Civ
			HIS 102 Western Civilizations Post-1600 CE	HIST 102	
18	Humanities/Fine Arts	3	ART 101 History of Art: Prehistoric to Gothic OR	ARTH 200	Arts
			ART 102 History of Art: Renaissance to Modern OR	ARTH 201	
			MUS 121 Music in Society	MUSI 101	
19	Open Elective	3	ECED 201 Introduction to Early Childhood Education for Diverse Learners (co-enrollment course) OR CHD 120 Introduction to Early Childhood Education	ECED 201	Major
20	PLS 135 or PLS 136	3	PLS 135 U.S. Government and Politics OR	GOVT 103	General Elective
			PLS 136 State and Local Government and Politics	GOVT L304	

**A.S. SOCIAL SCIENCES
(TEACHER ED) DEGREE**

60

TOTAL

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

**B.S.Ed Early Childhood Education for Diverse Learners -
All Concentrations**

	MASON DEGREE REQUIREMENT	Credits	Course	MASON CORE/DEGREE EQUIVALENT
21	Gen Ed: Written Communication (Upper-level)	3	ENGH 302 Advanced Composition	Written Comm
22	Program Core Requirements	3	ECED 401 Developmental Pathways of Diverse Learners, Birth-Adolescence	Major
23	Program Core Requirements	3	ECED 402 Foundations of Language and Literacy for Diverse Prekindergarten and Kindergarten Learners	Major
24	Program Core Requirements	3	ECED 403 Inclusive Curriculum for Young Learners: Planning Instruction and Guidance	Major
25	Program Core Requirements	3	ECED 404 Engaging Families of Diverse Learners, Birth-Grade 6	Major
26	Program Core Requirements	3	ECED 411 Assessment of Diverse Young Learners	Writing Intensive
27	Concentration Requirements	3	EC Special Education Licensure and PreK-3/ EC Special Education Dual Licensure concentrations: ECED 405 Introduction to Early Childhood Special Education	Major or General Elective
			PreK-3 Licensure concentration: General Elective (See: Advisor) No Concentration: Approved Upper-Level no-concentration or concentration course ¹	
28	Concentration Requirements	3	EC Special Education Licensure and PreK-3/EC Special Education Dual Licensure concentrations: ECED 406 Medical and Developmental Aspects of Disabilities of Diverse Young Learners	Major or General Elective
			PreK-3 Licensure concentration: General Elective (See: Advisor) No Concentration: Approved Upper-Level no-concentration or concentration course ¹	
29	Concentration Requirements	3	PreK-3 and PreK-3/EC Special Education Dual Licensure concentrations: ECED 412 Language and Literacy Assessment and Instruction for Diverse Primary Grade Learners Special Education Licensure concentration and No Concentration: General Electives (See: Advisor)	Major or General Elective

30	Concentration Requirements	3	<p>PreK-3 and PreK-3/EC Special Education Dual Licensure concentrations: ECED 413 Integrating Social Studies Across the Content Areas for Diverse Young Learners</p> <p>EC Special Education Licensure concentration and No Concentration: General Electives (See: Advisor)</p>	Major or General Elective
31	Concentration Requirements	3	<p>PreK-3 and PreK-3/EC Special Education Dual Licensure concentrations: ECED 415 Mathematics for Diverse Young Learners</p> <p>EC Special Education Licensure concentration and No Concentration: General Electives (See: Advisor)</p>	Major or General Elective
32	Concentration Requirements	3	<p>PreK-3 and PreK-3/EC Special Education Dual Licensure concentrations: ECED 416 Science for Diverse Young Learners</p> <p>EC Special Education Licensure concentration: General Electives (See: Advisor)</p> <p>No Concentration: Approved Upper-Level no-concentration or concentration course¹</p>	Major
33	Concentration Requirements	3	<p>EC Special Education Licensure and PreK-3/EC Special Education Dual Licensure concentrations: ECED 422 Developing Language, Literacy, and Communication of Diverse Infants and Toddlers</p> <p>PreK-3 Licensure concentration: General Elective (See: Advisor)</p> <p>No Concentration: Approved Upper-Level no-concentration or concentration course¹</p>	Major or General Elective
34	Concentration Requirements	3	<p>EC Special Education Licensure and PreK-3/EC Special Education Dual Licensure concentrations: ECED 423 Early Intervention for Infants Toddlers with Disabilities: Collaborative & Consultative Approaches</p> <p>PreK-3 Licensure concentration and No Concentration: General Elective (See: Advisor)</p>	Major or General Elective
35	General Electives	3	General Electives (See: Advisor)	General Elective
36	Gen Ed: Synthesis/Program Core Requirement	12	<p>EC Special Education Licensure concentration and PreK-3 Licensure concentration: ECED 490 Internship in Early Childhood Education</p> <p>No Concentration: ECED 492 Internship in Early Childhood Education (Non-Licensure)</p>	Synthesis
37	Program Core Requirements	3	ECED 491 Seminar in Early Childhood Education for Diverse Learners	Major

B.S.ED EARLY CHILDHOOD DEGREE TOTAL 120

Denotes a course that must be taken at George Mason University while attending NOVA. Failure to complete your co-enrollment course(s) while attending NOVA can significantly affect your timeline for Mason graduation. Please see your ADVANCE Coach for more information and to enroll.

Important Academic Information:

¹For approved No Concentration course options, please visit: <https://catalog.gmu.edu/colleges-schools/education-human-development/school-education/early-childhood-education-diverse-learners-bsed/>

Additional General Notes & Resources:

- ADVANCE students who earn at least a 2.85 final, cumulative GPA and no more than 9 credits of unrepeated D/F grades may be eligible to receive a waiver for any lower-level Mason Core courses not already completed. To be eligible for the Mason Core waiver, students must also complete the requirements of the AA or AS degree listed on their pathway, and apply to graduate from NOVA by the deadline (see milestone #3). Students must provide the Office of Admissions with a final, official transcript reflecting the degree conferral date and a cumulative NOVA GPA at or above 2.85
- 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.