



**STUDENTS with DISABILITIES (ALL GRADES)**

**Master of Science in Education (M.S. Ed.)**

Curriculum Planning Guide – Initial Certification - 43 Credit Hours

Course	Title	Credit Hours	Transfer Credits / Course Substitution	Completed
EDU 523 (Initial Cert only)	Foundations of Education	3		
EDU 536 (Initial Cert only)	Human Learning, Development, and Motivation	3		
EDU 539	Characteristics of Students with Exceptionalities (20 field hours)	3		
EDU 561	Language and Literacy Development for Diverse Young Learners	3		
EDU 575	Literacy: Upper Grades	3		
EDU 595	Introduction to Educational Research	3		
EDU 747	Consultation and Collaboration	3		

**Advanced Required Courses:**

EDU 778	Nature of Autism: Theory & Practice (539 is a prerequisite)	3		
EDU 572	Reading Difficulties: Diagnosis and Intervention (561 or 575 are prerequisites)	3		
EDU 565*	Assessment of Students with Exceptionalities	3		
EDU 745*	Applied Behavior Analysis	3		
EDU 768*	Methods of Teaching Students with Disabilities (50 field hours)	3		

**Final Semester:**

EDU 794**	Seminar in Special Education	3		
EDU 795**	Student Teaching in Special Education (70 days)	3		
EDU 799**	Comprehensive Portfolio Advisement and Defense	1		

**TOTAL CREDIT HOURS: 43**

\*These courses are pre-requisites to EDU 794 & EDU 795

\*\*These courses must be taken together during final semester of study