



Major: Special Education, BEd (Bachelor of Science in Education)
2025-2026 4-Year Plan Guide
Major: 77 credit hours, Total Degree Requirements: 120 credit hours

Students are not limited to this plan; it is meant to be used as a guide for planning purposes in consultation with your advisor. The sample schedule is one possible path to completing your degree within four years. For official program requirements, please refer to the [Undergraduate Catalog](#).

FIRST YEAR

Fall

Prefix + Number + Course Title	Major / General Education Requirements (SGR)	Credits
FYS 101 First Year Seminar	Major	2
EDFN 102 Introduction to Education, Human Values Course	Major	3
HIST 152 US History II	Major / SGR Goal 3: Social Science	3
ENGL 101 Composition I	SGR Goal 1: Written Communication	3
SPED 100 Introduction to Persons w/ Exceptionalities	Major	3
Total Credit Hours:		14

Spring

Prefix + Number + Course Title	Major / General Education Requirements (SGR)	Credits
Fine Arts & Humanities Course #1	SGR Goal 4: Fine Arts and Humanities	3
Natural Science Course #1 (#1 or #2 must be a Biology course)	SGR Goal 6: Natural Science	3-4
ENGL 201 Composition II	SGR Goal 1: Written Communication	3
POLS 100 American Government	Major	3
Mathematics Course (MATH 103 or higher)	SGR Goal 5: Mathematics	3
Total Credit Hours:		15-16

SECOND YEAR

Fall

Prefix + Number + Course Title	Major / General Education Requirements (SGR)	Credits
CMST 101 Foundations of Communication	SGR Goal 2: Oral Communication	3
SPED 210 Teaching Students with Significant Disabilities	Major	3
GEOG 210 World Regional Geography	Major / SGR Goal 3: Social Science	3
EPSY 302 Educational Psychology	Major	3
EPSY 296 Field Experience	Major	0
Fine Arts & Humanities Course #2	SGR Goal 4: Fine Arts and Humanities	3
Total Credit Hours:		15

Spring

Prefix + Number + Course Title	Major / General Education Requirements (SGR)	Credits
Natural Science Course #2 (#1 or #2 must be a Biology course)	SGR Goal 6: Natural Science	3-4
INED 211/411 SD Indian Culture & Education/SD Indian Studies	Major	3
SPED 460 Family Systems & Professional Collaboration	Major	2
EPSY 428 Child & Adolescent Development	Major	3
Elective or Minor Course	Elective	3
Total Credit Hours:		14-15



THIRD YEAR

Fall

Prefix + Number + Course Title	Major / General Education Requirements (SGR)	Credits
SEED 450 Reading & Content Literacy	Major	2
SPED 396 Field Experience	Major	1
ELED 440 K-8 Language Arts Methods	Major	3
SPED 431 Identification & Assessment	Major	2
SPED 432 Methods & Materials	Major	2
EDER 415 Educational Assessment	Major	2
Elective or Minor Course	Elective	3

Total Credit Hours: 15

Spring

Prefix + Number + Course Title	Major / General Education Requirements (SGR)	Credits
ELRN 435 Instructional Design	Major	3
EDFN 445 Methods of Teaching English Language Learners	Major	3
SPED 410 Behavior Management of the Exceptional Child	Major	3
SPED 420 K-12 Curriculum & Instructional Strategies	Major	3
MLED 480 Middle Level Methods	Major	2
ELED 395 Reading Clinic Practicum	Major	1
SPED 470 Educational Programming	Major	2

Total Credit Hours: 17

FOURTH YEAR

Fall

Prefix + Number + Course Title	Major / General Education Requirements (SGR)	Credits
ELRN 485 Classroom Technology	Major	3
ELED 330 K-8 Math Methods	Major	3
SPED 417 Vocational-Transitional Programs	Major	2
SPED 485 Special Education Law	Major	2
SPED 496 Field Experience	Major	2
EDFN 440 Classroom Management	Major	3

Total Credit Hours: 15

Spring

Prefix + Number + Course Title	Major / General Education Requirements (SGR)	Credits
EDFN 472 School Law & Ethics	Major	2
SPED 441 Inclusive Methods for Diverse Learners	Major	2
Elective or Minor Course	Elective	3
SPED 488 Special Education Student Teaching	Major	6

Total Credit Hours: 13

COMMENTS & NOTES

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