

Education

with a Specialization in Exceptional Student Education

MASTER OF SCIENCE



Program Features

36 credit hours

Personalized course of study to meet your academic needs and professional goals

Outstanding faculty and student-centered curriculum

Format

Three semesters per year, two terms per semester

Multiple starts throughout the year (August, January, and May)

Offered online

Quality

Nova Southeastern University is regionally accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS).

The Abraham S. Fischler College of Education's educator preparation programs are nationally accredited.



M.S. in Education with a Specialization in Exceptional Student Education

The Master of Science in Education with a Specialization in Exceptional Student Education (ESE) with an endorsement in autism and an emphasis on cognitive behavioral disabilities prepares professionals to assume positions as teachers, professors, administrators, and disability service providers. The program addresses the academic and professional needs of certified teachers who seek to attain the M.S. in ESE and/or add categorical endorsements to current certification, and individuals from the related services who seek to attain the M.S. in ESE. Students have the option to design a customized program of study. This option is intended to permit students to concentrate on a categorical area of study (disability specific) or to study a combination of courses that best meets individual career objectives and needs.

This program is designed for already certified/licensed educators and does not lead to a state-issued certificate/license.



Visit education.nova.edu/masters/exceptional-student-education.html for more information.

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CURRICULUM

Program Requirements (9 Credits)	Credits
EDU 5000 Orientation to the Graduate Teacher Education Program	0
CUR 526 Educational Research for Practitioners	3
CBD 501 Special Education Law	3
CBD 502 Assessment and Diagnosis of Exceptional Learners	3
OR	
ESE 630 Educational and Psychological Assessment of Exceptional Students	3

Customized Course of Study: The remaining courses (**minimum of 27 credits**) may be selected from categorical program options or from the full menu of courses available, including ESE courses offered as part of the certification programs.

For the purposes of planning, disability specific courses are grouped by categorical area.

Autism

EP 650 Assessment, Diagnosis, and Nature of Children with Autism Spectrum Disorder	3
EP 655 Nature of Autism Spectrum Disorder: Intervention Methods, Strategies, and Application	3
EP 660 Behavioral Assessment and Intervention for Students with Autism Spectrum Disorder	3
EP 665 Language, Communication Development and Augmentative Communication in Autism Spectrum Disorders	3

Developmental/Intellectual Disabilities

CBD 510 Characteristics and Needs of Students with Developmental Disabilities	3
CBD 513 Methods for Teaching Students with Developmental Disabilities	3

Emotional and Behavioral Disorders

CBD 512 Characteristics and Needs of Students with Emotional Behavioral Disorders	3
CBD 515 Methods for Teaching Students with Emotional Behavioral Disorders	3

Gifted

EDU 550 Nature and Needs of the Gifted	3
EDU 551 Educational Procedures for the Gifted	3
EDU 555 Seminar for the Guidance of Gifted Children	3
EDU 561 Independent Study for Research on Gifted Students	3
EP 699 Applied Professional Experience in Gifted Education	3
EP 5281 Developing Creativity in Gifted Students	3
EP 5282 Educating Special Populations of Gifted Students	3

Learning Disabilities

CBD 511 Characteristics and Needs of Students with Learning Disabilities	3
CBD 514 Methods for Teaching Students with Learning Disabilities	3

Prekindergarten Disabilities

(Refer to course descriptions for prerequisites)

EP 5265 Nature and Needs of Young Children with Disabilities	3
EP 5270 Assessing the Needs of Young Children with Disabilities	3
EP 5275 Intervention Strategies and Classroom Behavior Management of Young Children with Disabilities	3
EP 5280 Working with Families of Young Children with Disabilities and the Community	3

Total Credits 36

This publication should not be viewed as a substitution for official program requirements and outcomes. A student is responsible for meeting the curriculum and program requirements in the *Fischler College of Education Catalog and Student Handbook* that are in effect when the student enters the program.

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