

Abraham S. Fischler School of Education

<http://www.fischlerschool.nova.edu/>

Master of Science in Education

Specialization: Exceptional Student Education (Special Education Generalist)

Nevada Initial Licensure (Certification) Plan

SAMPLE

Entrance Requirements

1. Complete the admission application packet and submit a \$50.00 non-refundable fee (U.S. dollars) made payable to Nova Southeastern University (NSU).
2. Official transcripts from **all** previously attended academic institutions. An official transcript indicating conferral of a bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited institution is required.
3. Evidence of a minimum **2.5** cumulative grade point average (CGPA) **or** test scores from the Graduate Record Exam (GRE) with a combined score of 1000 for the verbal and quantitative scales only. The GRE must have been taken within the past 5 years from the date of application.
4. Applicants who do not meet the minimum 2.5 GPA or GRE score requirement, may enroll in a maximum of six (6) credit hours and must earn a grade of B or higher in each course during the first term of enrollment for **conditional admission**. Students who do not earn a grade of B or higher in each course will be subject to dismissal from the program.
5. Passing PRAXIS I scores **or** CBEST scores.
6. **Nevada Student Enrollment Agreement** (available in application packet).

Coursework

	Completed	Course Title	Credit
Foundation Coursework			
1		EDU 5000 Orientation to the Graduate Teacher Education Program*	0
2		CUR 526 Educational Research for Practitioners*	3
3		EDU 601 Professional Seminar I*	0
4		EDU 502 Psychological Foundations in Education* <i>Prerequisite/s: EDU 601 (Fall I, Winter I and Summer I)</i>	3
5		ELE 502 Methods of Teaching Mathematics in the Elementary Schools	3
6		ELE 504 Methods of Teaching Reading in the Elementary Schools	3
Specialization Area Coursework			
7		ESE 600 Survey of Exceptionalities of Children and Youth* <i>Prerequisite/s: CUR 526</i>	3
8		ESE 610 Speech and Language Development and Disabilities* <i>Prerequisite/s: CUR 526 & ESE 600</i>	3
9		ESE 620 Behavior Management of Exceptional Students* <i>Prerequisite/s: CUR 526, ESE 600 & ESE 610</i>	3
10		ESE 630 Educational and Psychological Assessment of Exceptional Students* <i>Prerequisite/s: CUR 526, ESE 600 - ESE 620</i>	3
11		ESE 640 Transition Skills and Services for Exceptional Students* <i>Prerequisite/s: CUR 526, ESE 600 - ESE 630</i>	3
12		ESE 650 Instructional Strategies for Exceptional Students* <i>Prerequisite/s: CUR 526, ESE 600 - ESE 640</i>	3
13		ESE 660 Curriculum and Instructional Materials for Exceptional Students* <i>Prerequisite/s: CUR 526, ESE 600 - ESE 650</i>	3
14		ESE 670 Inclusive Education for Exceptional Students* <i>Prerequisite/s: CUR 526, ESE 600 - ESE 660</i>	3
15		ESE 690 Consultation and Collaboration in Exceptional Student Education* <i>Prerequisite/s: CUR 526, ESE 600 - ESE 680</i>	3
Capstone			
16		EDU 602 Professional Seminar II *	0
17		EDU 688 Teaching Internship Seminar*	9
Total Credits Required for Degree			48

Benchmarks:

1. Complete CUR 526, EDU 5000 and EDU 601 within first term of program at NSU
2. Maintain a 3.0 cumulative GPA
3. Complete program capstone: Teaching Internship Seminar: <http://www.schoolfed.nova.edu/gtep/fldexpl/> - All coursework must be completed with a 3.0 cumulative GPA to be eligible for Teaching Internship Seminar (Internship application must be submitted 6 months in advance)
4. Earn a "Pass" in EDU 601 & 602- Professional Seminar I & II
5. Complete all testing requirements for specialization and program

* **Program Prerequisites:** To check prerequisites, click on the individual course ID in the schedule;

http://www.fischlerschool.nova.edu/current-students/master_edspecialist-schedule

Exit Requirements

1. PRAXIS II – Passing scores on the following areas:
 - a. **Principles of Learning and Teaching (PLT):**
 Grades K-6 minimum score: 169 **Or** Grades 7-12 minimum score: 161
 - b. **Subject Assessments/Specialty Area Tests:**
 (0351) Special Education: Knowledge-Based Core Principles minimum score: 150 **Expires August 31, 2010 – No fault for new test for one year**
 (0354) Special Education: Core Knowledge and Application minimum score: 150 **Effective September 1, 2010**
2. Degree Application <http://www.nova.edu/cwis/registrar/faq.html>

Important Student Notice

Students are strongly encouraged to visit the Abraham S. Fischler School of Education catalog for degree and program requirements; <http://www.fischlerschool.nova.edu/current-students/studentcataloghandbook>. The student has **6** years to complete degree from first session enrolled. **It is the student's responsibility to ensure that all licensure/certification requirements are met.** The program outline is provided to the student based on the current certification area requirements according to the Nevada Department of Education at the time of initial enrollment in the program.

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