



# THE GRADUATE SCHOOL

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## LICENSURE IN SPECIAL EDUCATION – PROFESSIONAL

### PROGRAM OBJECTIVES:

This program is designed for individuals seeking a professional license and/or training in special education.

### ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS:

- A completed application form, available from the Graduate School Office, and a \$35.00 non-refundable application fee made payable to Salem State College.
- A complete, official transcript documenting the award of a bachelor's degree.
- A complete, official transcript documenting the award of a master's degree.
- Three completed Reference for Graduate Admission forms. These forms are available with the application or online. Please include references from people who have known you in both professional and academic capacities. Completed reference forms may have a letter attached to them.
- All students for whom English is not a first language must submit satisfactory scores on the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL).
- A 500-1,000-word double-spaced statement of purpose addressing the following questions:  
What factors in your personal and professional history have influenced you in the past and now lead you to seek admission to this program at Salem State College?  
What are your long-term professional goals, and how will this program help you meet them?  
Is there any other information that you think would help the admissions committee to evaluate your application?

### Additional requirements for individuals pursuing a professional license:

- Submit a copy of your initial Massachusetts educator license.
- A masters degree.
- Three (3) years teaching experience.

### APPLICATION DEADLINES:

Fall admission: June 1 | Spring admission: October 1 | Summer admission: February 1

### PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS:

Upon acceptance into the program, you will complete a tentative Plan of Study in consultation with the program coordinator. You must request that any transfer credits be considered at this time. PLEASE NOTE THAT NO MORE THAN THREE COURSESTAKEN AT SALEM STATECOLLEGE BEFORE ADMISSION CAN BE COUNTED TOWARDS THE THIS PROGRAM. You should meet regularly with the program coordinator to discuss your progress and revise your plan of study, as needed.

### PREREQUISITES:

- An initial license in Special Education
  - A Masters Degree
  - Three (3) years teaching experience.
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**ADVANCED FOUNDATION COURSES:****CREDITS**

- GNE 9807 Special Education Law 3
- EDU 990E Developing Effective Programs for Special Needs Students in the Mainstream 3
- EDU 734 Measurement of Intelligence (Wechsler)  
OR 3
- EDU 794N Assessment of Second Language Learners 3
- EDU 999CS Consulting Services in Special Education 3
- EDU 999ANCreating Brain-Compatible Learning 3

**CLINICAL PRACTICE:**

(This is a restricted admission courses which requires pre-registration with the program coordinator. The initial course sequence must be completed prior to registration.)

- EDU 958 Clinical Experience in Special Education 6

**Total Credits:****21**

Please be aware that the Commonwealth of Massachusetts may change licensure requirements. Students are advised to contact the Commonwealth for specific, current licensure requirements. Students may access that information at [www.doe.mass.edu](http://www.doe.mass.edu).

Subsequent to publication of this flowsheet, the Graduate School reserves the right to make changes in courses, program requirements, policies and regulations as circumstances dictate. There is no guarantee that any listed course will be offered in any given semester.