

# SPECIAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS

## Undergraduate Majors:

- **Special Education Cohort** (SPED.C.BSE)
- **Special Education** (SPED.D.BSE)

## Undergraduate Minors/Specializations:

- **Special Education Teaching** (SPE.D.SUP.2022)
- **Special Education Teaching-Cohort** (SPE.C.SUP.2022)
- **Early Childhood Specialization Ed UG** (ECSPU.D.SPE. 2024)

## Graduate Programs:

- **Special Education K-12 Grade** (SPE.E.MA)

## Graduate Minors/Specializations/Licenses:

- **Special Education License (p. 2)** (SPE.E.LIC)
- **Special Education License (TAL.E.LIC-SPE.E.LIC)**
- **Early Childhood Special Education Ed GR Specialization (p. 2)** (ECSPE.E.SPEC.2024)
- **K-12 Grade Special Education Specialization** (SPE.E.SPEC.2025)

## Teaching English Language Learners Minor Information:

This is a certifiable minor leading to an English as a Second Language teaching license. This minor is for early childhood and elementary majors and, as well as secondary education students and teachers adding a license. Students learn to address the developmental, social, political and cultural contexts of their students' lives and educational experiences. Also, students learn to recognize the importance of situating support programs for English language learners within the context of the school and community to ensure academic success.

## Faculty

The faculty for this program are all of the Education faculty. The program director is Dr. Thor Stolen (thor.stolen@alverno.edu)

## Major Req

## Special Education (SPED.D.BSE) Major Requirements 25-26 Catalog

Code	Title	Credits
ED-201	Exploration in Teaching, Learning, and Assessing	6
ED-215	Engagement in Teaching, Learning, And Assessing	6
ED-220	Interview Assessment	0
ED-225	Literacy in Early Childhood	3
ED-321	Middle School Teaching & Field	4
ED-325	Literacy in Middle Childhood I-ELC	3
ED-338	Early Childhood Curriculum & Field	4
ED-343	Cornerstones for Effective K-9 Mathematics Teaching & Learning	4
ED-344	Teaching Math/Elementary Classroom	2
ED-412	Critical Issues in School & Society	2

ED-420	Advancement to Student Teaching Performance Assessment	0
ED-468	Student Teaching Placement	18
ED-475	Student Teaching Seminar	0
SPE-314 or ED-396	Foundations of Special Education Introduction to Exceptional Learner	4
SPE-315	Charac, Assmnt-Lrnrs With Disabilities	3
SPE-320	Lang & Literacy Dev/Students W/Disabilit	4
SPE-434	Tchg Adapt-Stds W/Learning Disabilities	4
SPE-435	Community Envir W/Disabilities	3
PST 329	Praxis II Prep Seminar	0
PST 400	Praxis 2 Elc	0
ED RDG (FORT)		0

## GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

AC-151	Initial Social Interaction Assessment	0
BSC-215	Working in Diverse Groups (General Education)	2
BSC-257	Statistics for Health Professionals	4
CM-120	Communication Seminar 1	4
CM-125	Communication Seminar 2	3
CM-225	Communication Seminar 3	3
FA-110	Intro to the Arts	4
FSS-125	First Semester Seminar	2
GLS-200	Introduction to Global Studies	3
or POL-225	American Politics	
or PSY-110	Life Span Development	
or SW-200	Intro to Social Work	
The Globally Effective Citizen (GEC), Choose 3 Credits From:		3
AHS-409/GEC-307, GEC-302, GEC-312, GEC-314, GEC-315, GEC-317, GEC-320, GEC-324, GEC-328, GEC-333, GEC-398		
HFA-210	Humanities & Fine Arts Elective	2
HFA-310	Humanities & Fine Arts Elective	2
HUM-150	Express/Interpretn Human Experience	4
QL-122	Quantitative Literacy in Modern World	4
or BU-151	Personal Finance	
QL-156	Mathematical Connections	3
or MT-256	Probability and Statistics	
BI, CH, PH, SC Course With Lab		4
General Electives		3
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>120</b>

## Cohort Maj Req

## Special Education (Cohort) (SPED.C.BSE) Requirements 25-26 Catalog

Code	Title	Credits
ED-231C	Understanding the Young Child	3
ED-321C	Middle School Teaching & Field	4
ED-338C	Early Childhood Curriculum & Field	4
ED-343C	Cnrnstnes for Effctv K-9 MT Tch & Lrng	4
ED-344C	Teaching Math/Elementary Classroom	4
ED-348	Engagement in Tchnng, Lrng & Assessing	4
ED-351C	Science in the Elementary Classroom	4

ED-352C	Invstgting Int Soc Stdies/Inquiry Arc	4
ED-368	Working With Diverse Populations	4
ED-378	Processes of Literacy Acquisition	4
ED-388	Literacy in Middle Childhood	4
ED-418	Dif Inst/Assessment, Science & Social Studies	4
ED-420C	Portfolio/Interview Assessment	0
ED-438	Student Teaching	12
SPE-314C	Foundations of Special Education	4
SPE-315C	Charac, Assmnt-Lrnrs With Disabilities	4
SPE-320C	Lang & Literacy Dev/Students W/Disabilit	4
SPE-434C	Tchg Adapt-Stds W/Intellectual Disabil	4
SPE-435C	Community Envir W/Intellectual Disabil	3
General Education Transfer Electives		42
Total Credits		120

Minor & Spec UG Req

Special Education Teaching (cohort & regular) <sup>(SPE.C.SUP.2022)</sup>,  
<sup>(SPE.D.SUP.2022)</sup> UG Minor Requirements 25-26 Catalog <sup>1</sup>

Code	Title	Credits
SPE-314	Foundations of Special Education	4
or SPE-314C	Foundations of Special Education	
SPE-315	Charac, Assmnt-Lrnrs With Disabilities	3-4
or SPE-315C	Charac, Assmnt-Lrnrs With Disabilities	
SPE-320	Lang & Literacy Dev/Students W/Disabilit	4
or SPE-320C	Lang & Literacy Dev/Students W/Disabilit	
SPE-434	Tchg Adapt-Stds W/Learning Disabilities	4
or SPE-434C	Tchg Adapt-Stds W/Intellectual Disabil	
SPE-435	Community Envir W/Disabilities	3
or SPE-435C	Community Envir W/Intellectual Disabil	
Total Credits		18-19

Code	Title	Credits
Students who declare this minor do not take ED-396 (Reg Minor) <sup>1</sup>		
Students who declare this minor do not take ED-368 (Cohort Minor)) <sup>1</sup>		

Early Childhood Specialization UG  
<sup>(ECSPU.D.SPEC.2024)</sup> Requirements 25-26 Catalog

Code	Title	Credits
ED-231	Understanding the Young Child	3
Total Credits		3

GR Major Req

MA Special Education K-12th Grade <sup>(SPE.E.MA)</sup> with required  
Early Childhood Specialization) Major Requirements  
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Code	Title	Credits
LTM-750	Practicum	3
SPE-601	Field Experience Module Registration	0
SPE-602	Field Experience Module 1	1
SPE-603	Field Experience Module 2	1

SPE-608	Literacy in Early/Middle Childhood	3
SPE-612	Gen Methods of Teaching Special Educat	4
SPE-614	Foundations of Special Education	3
SPE-615	Charac, Assmnt-Lrnrs With Disabilities	3
SPE-616	Advocacy & Action	3
SPE-620	Lang & Literacy Dev/Students W/Disabilit	3
SPE-634	Tchg Adapt-Stds W/Disabilities	3
SPE-635	Community Envir W/Disabilities	3
SPE-641	Student Teaching	3
SPE-675	Student Teaching Seminar-SPE	0
AC-636	A Vision of Teaching	0
AC-640	Portfolio Assessment	0
ED RDG (FORT)		0
PST 401 Praxis 2 Elm		0

Early Childhood Specialization Required		
ED-662	Urbn Nature-Bsed Erly Chdhd Ed(online)	3
or ED-531	Young Child Development	
Total Credits		36

GR Major Map

MA Special Education K-12th Grade <sup>(SPE.E.MA)</sup> with  
required Early Childhood Specialization) Map 25-26  
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First Year			
Summer	Credits Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
SPE-601	0 SPE-602	1 SPE-603	1
SPE-612	4 SPE-614	3 SPE-608	3
SPE-616	3 SPE-615	3 SPE-620	3
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Second Year			
Summer	Credits Fall	Credits Spring	Credits
SPE-634	3 SPE-641	3 LTM-750	3
SPE-635	3 SPE-675	0	
	6	3	3
Total Credits 33			

GR Spec Lic

K-12 Grade Special Education <sup>(SPE.E.LIC.)</sup> License with  
(Required) Early Childhood Specialization <sup>(ECSPE.E.SPEC 2024)</sup>  
Requirements 25-26 Catalog

Code	Title	Credits
SPE-601	Field Experience Module Registration	0
SPE-602	Field Experience Module 1	1
SPE-603	Field Experience Module 2	1
SPE-608	Literacy in Early/Middle Childhood	3
SPE-612	Gen Methods of Teaching Special Educat	4
SPE-614	Foundations of Special Education	3
SPE-615	Charac, Assmnt-Lrnrs With Disabilities	3
SPE-620	Lang & Literacy Dev/Students W/Disabilit	3
SPE-634	Tchg Adapt-Stds W/Disabilities	3
SPE-635	Community Envir W/Disabilities	3

SPE-641	Student Teaching	3
SPE-675	Student Teaching Seminar-SPE	0
Early Childhood Specialization Required		
ED-662	Urbn Nature-Bsed Erly Chdhd Ed(online)	3
or ED-531	Young Child Development	
PST 400 2 Elc		
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>30</b>

## **K-12 Grade Special Education** (TAL.E.LIC w/SPE.E.LIC.2025) **License** **with Early Childhood Specialization Requirements** **25-26 Catalog**

<b>Code</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Credits</b>
SPE-601	Field Experience Module Registration	0
SPE-602	Field Experience Module 1	1
SPE-603	Field Experience Module 2	1
SPE-608	Literacy in Early/Middle Childhood	3
SPE-612	Gen Methods of Teaching Special Educat	4
SPE-614	Foundations of Special Education	3
SPE-615	Charac, Assmnt-Lrnrs With Disabilities	3
SPE-620	Lang & Literacy Dev/Students W/Disabilit	3
SPE-634	Tchg Adapt-Stds W/Disabilities	3
SPE-635	Community Envir W/Disabilities	3
SPE-641	Student Teaching	3
SPE-675	Student Teaching Seminar-SPE	0
PST 400 Praxis 2 Elc		0
May Add the Early Childhood Specialization		
ED-662	Urbn Nature-Bsed Erly Chdhd Ed(online)	3
or ED-531	Young Child Development	
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>30</b>