

# Advising Sheet: Special Education Certification Only

This program is designed for individuals who **already have an undergraduate degree** (i.e., B.A. or B.S.) from a college or university and wish to become certified as a special education teacher in the state of Idaho. Certification in another field is not a requirement for entry into this program; however, some individuals who request admission are teachers certified in other areas.

## Admission Requirements:

- Candidates must make application to the Special Education Certification-Only Program within 6 credit hours of beginning coursework. If a completed application is not on file within that time frame, any coursework beyond the 6 initial credits may not apply to the candidate's program or certification.
- BA/BS Degree
- Students must have an overall GPA of 2.75 on undergraduate coursework
- Praxis II Elementary Education: Content Knowledge (0014)
- Must meet dispositional standards

In addition, the following coursework must be completed within the first 15 credit hours with an average GPA of 3.0 across both courses:

- SPED 330 (or EDUA 231 from CSI)
- SPED 340 (or an Applied Behavior Analysis course on-line from a different institution that has been approved by the ISU Special Education Program faculty prior to enrolling in the course)

## Retention and Exit Requirements:

- In addition to meeting all of the retention and exit requirements of the College of Education, students must maintain a 3.0 GPA in the program courses.
- For certification purposes, any program course with a grade of C- or below must be retaken
- If a student earns two grades of C or lower in any program courses, the student will not be allowed to progress in the program and must reapply to the program. Students in the program must also maintain an overall GPA of 2.75 or better.
- If a student's overall GPA falls below 2.75 for two consecutive semesters, the student will not be allowed to progress in the program and must reapply to the program.
- To be retained in the program, the candidate must be continually enrolled. If the candidate is not enrolled in the program for more than one semester, he/she is no longer considered a candidate in the program. If a candidate wishes to re-enroll, he/she must reapply and be readmitted to the program again before taking additional courses. Any courses taken without reapplying and being readmitted will not count toward certification.

## Assessments Before Student Teaching

- Praxis II Special Education Generalist
  - Education of Exceptional Students: Core Content (0353)
  - Education of Exceptional Students: Mild Moderate (0542)



<p>___ SPED g423 Designing Instruction 3cr (ISU: F) or ___ EDUA 240 Developing and Adapting Curriculum 3cr (Online CSI: S)</p>	<p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>
<p>___ SPED g424 Assessment 3cr (ISU: F) (Online odd years)</p>	<p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>
<p>___ SPED 429 Strategies Severe Disabilities 3cr (ISU: F) (Distance Even Years)</p>	<p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>
<p>___ SPED 430 Practicum in Individualized Instruction 3cr (ISU, F) (Concurrent with SPED 429 and/SPED 434)</p>	<p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>
<p>___ SPED g432 Direct Instruction Systems 3cr (ISU: S) (Online odd years)</p>	<p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>
<p>___ SPED 434 Language and Communication 3cr (ISU: F) (Distance Even Years)</p>	<p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>
<p>___ SPED 435 Practicum in Small Group Instruction 3cr (ISU, S) (Concurrent with 432)</p>	<p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>
<p>___ SPED 436 Math Methods 3cr (Online ISU: F)</p>	<p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>
<p>___ SPED 437 Practicum in Large Group Instruction 3cr (Not required if candidate holds other certification) (ISU: F) (Concurrent with SPED 423 and/or SPED 446)</p>	<p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>
<p>___ SPED 438 Policies and Procedures 3cr (ISU: S) or ___ EDUA 245 Special Ed. Policies and Procedures 3cr (Online CSI: S)</p>	<p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>

<p>___ SPED 441 Classroom Behavior Management 3cr (ISU: F) (Distance odd years)</p>	<p>_____</p>	<p>_____</p>
<p>___ SPED g446 Secondary Special Education 3cr (ISU: S) (Distance even years)</p>	<p>_____</p>	<p>_____</p>
<p>___ SPED 490 Consultation and Collaboration 3cr (ISU: S) (Concurrent with Student Teaching)</p>	<p>_____</p>	<p>_____</p>
<p>___ SPED 495 Student Teaching 7-14 cr (ISU: F,S)</p>	<p>_____</p>	<p>_____</p>