Elementary and Special Education Teaching, Graduate Certificate

This program of study is for individuals with a Bachelor's degree who would like to prepare for teacher certification in Elementary Education and Special Education. This graduate certificate program option leads to Missouri Initial Teacher Certification in Elementary Teaching 1-6 with an add-on in Mild/Moderate Cross-Categorical Disabilities, K-12 Special Education. These courses are also what DESE requires for the elementary and special education certifications.

Admission Requirements for the Graduate Certificate in Elementary and Special Education School Teaching Option in Teacher Certification:

- 1. A passing score on the designated Missouri Content Examination or an approved program of study
- 2. A 2.75 or higher overall GPA
- 3. Approved results of the Family Care Safety Registry
- 4. A clear TB test or chest x-ray, if appropriate

Students Applicants must meet the application deadlines set by the Graduate School.

Graduate Certificate in Elementary and Special Education (56 Credit Hours = 41 Elementary + 15 Special Education)

Required Certification Courses				
Related Area Requirements				
TCH ED 5001	Advanced Mid-Level Clinical Experience: Diverse Learners	1		

TCH ED 6565	Enriching Learning through Multicultural Arts, Music, Physical Education and Health	1-2
TCH ED 6566	Cross-Curricular Connections with Multicultural Arts, Music, Physical Education and Health	1-2
Level I Courses		
ED PSY 6222	Advanced Studies in Child and Adolescent Development	3
TCH ED 5310A	Instructional Design: Lesson Planning for Teachers	<mark>1</mark> 2
ELE ED 6337	Teaching and Learning Literacy in the Elementary Classrooms: Teaching Reading and Writing	4
ED PSY 6030	Instruction, Learning, and Assessment	3
ED TECH 6135	Technology for Preparing Inquiry- Based Teaching	1
SPEC ED 6412	Psychology of Exceptional Children	3
SPEC ED 6315	Understanding/Implementing Speech & and Language Interventions that Assist Children	3
ELE ED 6342	Addressing the Mathematical Needs of Students	3
Level III Courses		
SPEC ED 6325	Advanced Studies in Classroom & Behavior Management	3

SPEC ED 6342	Transition Education for Adult Life	3
ELE ED 6241	Science Content, Inquiry-Based Instruction, and Assessment: STEM-Integrated Pedagogy	2-3
ELE ED 6246	Math Content Pedagogy, Inquiry- Based Instruction, and Assessment	3
ELE ED 6253	Teaching Social Studies through Reading, Writing, and English Language Learners	3
ELE ED 6338	Literacy Assessment for Guided Instruction	3
ELE ED 5989	Practicum I: Elementary/Special Education Site-Based Experience	2-3
ELE ED 5990	Practicum II: Elementary/Special Education Site Based Experience	8
SPEC ED 6346	Reading Instruction and Intervention in Special Education	3
SPEC ED 6415	The Law and Special Education	3
Total Hours		<mark>56</mark> 58-62

Rationale Revised to reflect new program requirements and standard program language.