

# Special Education: Intellectual Disabilities Major

Bachelor of Arts, BA

The program provides preparation leading to certification in the area of intellectual disabilities. Instruction in special education, elementary education, and psychology is designed to give the teacher candidates a strong background for work with students with intellectual disabilities. Teacher candidates should verify the test code numbers of the South Carolina requirement PRAXIS requirements because the codes are subject to change.

The major includes the add-on requirements for certification in elementary education.

## Student Learning Outcomes

1. Candidates will provide meaningful and challenging learning experiences.
2. Candidates will use multiple methods of assessment and data-sources in making educational decisions.
3. Candidates will use knowledge of general and specialized curricula to individualize learning and to select, adapt, and use a repertoire of evidence-based instructional strategies.

## Required Courses

Teacher candidates may take courses only in Benchmark I before being admitted to the Teacher Education Program. See the departmental web page for a list of Benchmark courses and other important information.

| Item #                   | Title   | Credits   |
|--------------------------|---|-----------|
| SED 300                  | INTRODUCTION TO EXCEPTIONAL LEARNERS                  | 3         |
| SED 361                  | LANGUAGE DEVELOPMENT AND DISABILITIES                 | 3         |
| SED 376                  | ASSESSMENT OF EXCEPTIONAL LEARNERS                    | 3         |
| SED 380                  | INTRODUCTION TO INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES             | 3         |
| SED 382a                 | CLINICAL II: PRACTICUM IN INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES   | 3         |
| SED 386                  | EDUCATIONAL PROCEDURES FOR INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES  | 3         |
| SED 395                  | INTRODUCTION TO LEARNING DISABILITIES                 | 3         |
| SED 397                  | INTRODUCTION TO EMOTIONAL DISABILITIES                | 3         |
| SED 398                  | EDUCATIONAL PROCEDURES FOR EMOTIONAL DISABILITIES     | 3         |
| SED 405                  | BEHAVIOR AND CLASSROOM MANAGEMENT                     | 3         |
| SED 412g                 | DIRECTED STUDENT TEACHING: INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES  | 12        |
| EDU 101                  | CLINICAL I: READING                                   | 1         |
| EDU 301                  | READING AND LANGUAGE ARTS IN THE ELEMENTARY CLASSROOM | 3         |
| EDU 303                  | MATHEMATICS FOR THE ELEMENTARY CHILD                  | 3         |
| EDU 309                  | LITERATURE FOR THE CHILD                              | 3         |
| EDU 314                  | SCIENCE FOR THE CHILD                                 | 3         |
| EDU 315                  | SOCIAL STUDIES FOR THE CHILD                          | 3         |
| EDU 360                  | INTRODUCTION TO EDUCATION                             | 3         |
| EDU 378                  | READING AND LEARNING STRATEGIES                       | 3         |
| PSY 380                  | HUMAN GROWTH AND DEVELOPMENT                          | 3         |
| <b>Sub-Total Credits</b> |   | <b>67</b> |

## Recommended Electives

| <b>Item #</b>            | <b>Title</b>  | <b>Credits</b> |
|--------------------------|---|----------------|
| SED 382b                 | CLINICAL II: PRACTICUM IN LEARNING DISABILITIES     | 3              |
| SED 382c                 | CLINICAL II: PRACTICUM IN EMOTIONAL DISABILITIES    | 3              |
| SED 396                  | EDUCATIONAL PROCEDURES FOR LEARNING<br>DISABILITIES | 3              |
| PSY 374                  | ABNORMAL PSYCHOLOGY                                 | 3              |
| PSY 211                  | BEHAVIOR MODIFICATION                               | 3              |
| PSY 236                  | THEORIES OF PERSONALITY                             | 3              |
| PSY 370                  | CHILD ABUSE AND NEGLECT                             | 3              |
| ART 355                  | SURVEY OF ART THERAPY                               | 3              |
| ART 380                  | ART THERAPY METHODS, MATERIALS AND THEORIES         | 3              |
| <b>Sub-Total Credits</b> |   | <b>27</b>      |
| <b>Total Credits</b>     |   | <b>67</b>      |