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## Master of Education: Special Education Accelerated Online Program *Student Planning Guide*

### **Degree Program Required Classes (13 courses, 37 credits)**

All classes should have the “AOP” section (i.e. ED 981 AOP Adv. Foundations of Education)

#### **To be taken at the beginning of the program**

- ☐ ED 981 Advanced Foundations of Education

#### **Additional required courses**

- ☐ CD 910 Speech/Language Development, Differences and Diversity
- ☐ ED 914 Teaching and Learning Literacy Across Multiple Disciplines
- ☐ ED 929 Mathematics Assessment and Instruction for Diverse Learners
- ☐ ED 905 Introduction to Special Education
- ☐ ED 906 Analysis and Implementation of Interventions to Support Learning of Students with Moderate Disabilities
- ☐ ED 907 Universal Design for Learning (UDL) and Inclusion
- ☐ ED 908 Special Education and Related Services: Consultation, Collaboration and Interprofessional Skills
- ☐ ED 913 Differentiated Reading Instruction

#### **Research Course Sequence (*should be taken in this order*)**

- ☐ EQ 970 Education Action Research: Exploring Problems & Existing Research
- ☐ EQ 980 Education Action Research: Methodology & Ethical Considerations
- ☐ EQ 990 Education Action Research: Data Analysis & Determining Findings

#### **To be taken at the end of the program**

- ☐ EQ 994 Graduate Portfolio (1 credit)

### **Course Schedule**

Worcester State University has published the course schedule for this program. You can locate the schedule by clicking on the link below (or cutting and pasting it into your browser). This schedule can be helpful in planning your degree completion.

<https://webcdn.worcester.edu/continuing-education/wp-content/uploads/sites/29/2025/06/Education-Trio-Course-Offerings-2025-05.pdf>

### **Student Completion Plan**

The following chart can be used for planning purposes. You may elect to take two courses every 7 weeks, one course every 7 weeks, or adjust your schedule depending on when you can more or fewer classes.

Students who take two courses every 7 weeks can complete in one year (14 months). Students who take one course every 7 weeks can complete in two years.

Start with your first semester and set a plan for the completion of your master's degree.

<b>7-Week Term</b>	<b>Course I</b>	<b>Course 2</b>
Summer I, 20____		
Summer II, 20____		
Fall I, 20____		
Fall II, 20____		
Spring I, 20____		
Spring II, 20____		
Summer I, 20____		
Summer II, 20____		
Fall I, 20____		
Fall II, 20____		
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Spring I, 20____		
Spring II, 20____		
Summer I, 20____		
Summer II, 20____		

*If you need assistance in planning out your degree completion, please do not hesitate to contact your Graduate Program Coordinator (contact information can be found on your acceptance letter).*