

# SPECIAL EDUCATION: TEACHER CERTIFICATION, MS

## REQUIREMENTS

### MINIMUM GRADUATE SCHOOL REQUIREMENTS

Review the Graduate School minimum degree requirements (<https://guide.wisc.edu/graduate/#requirements>) and policies (<https://guide.wisc.edu/graduate/#policies>), in addition to the program requirements listed below.

### NAMED OPTION REQUIREMENTS

#### MODE OF INSTRUCTION

Face to Face	Evening/ Weekend	Online	Hybrid	Accelerated
Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes

#### Mode of Instruction Definitions

**Accelerated:** Accelerated programs are offered at a fast pace that condenses the time to completion. Students typically take enough credits aimed at completing the program in a year or two.

**Evening/Weekend:** Courses meet on the UW–Madison campus only in evenings and/or on weekends to accommodate typical business schedules. Students have the advantages of face-to-face courses with the flexibility to keep work and other life commitments.

**Face-to-Face:** Courses typically meet during weekdays on the UW–Madison Campus.

**Hybrid:** These programs combine face-to-face and online learning formats. Contact the program for more specific information.

**Online:** These programs are offered 100% online. Some programs may require an on-campus orientation or residency experience, but the courses will be facilitated in an online format.

### CURRICULAR REQUIREMENTS

#### Requirement Detail

Minimum Credit Requirement 44 credits

Minimum Residence Credit Requirement 16 credits

Minimum Graduate Coursework Requirement 15 credits must be in graduate-level coursework. Refer to the Graduate School: Minimum Graduate Coursework (50%) Requirement policy: <https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1244> (<https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1244/>).

Overall Graduate GPA Requirement 3.00 GPA required. Refer to the Graduate School: Grade Point Average (GPA) Requirement policy: <https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1203> (<https://policy.wisc.edu/library/UW-1203/>).

Other Grade Requirements n/a

Assessments and Examinations Students who do not complete the Wisconsin teacher certification examinations will be required to complete a comprehensive examination and a master's project or thesis.

Language Requirements No language requirements.

### REQUIRED COURSES

Code	Title	Credits
RP & SE 320	Introduction to Teaching in Special Education	3
RP & SE/ CURRIC 365	Teaching Mathematics in Inclusive Settings	3
RP & SE 464	Diagnosis, Assessment, and Instructional Planning in Special Education	3
RP & SE 465	Language and Reading Instruction for Students with Disabilities	3
RP & SE 472	Methods in Transition and Vocational Education	3
RP & SE 473	Classroom Management for Inclusive Classrooms	3
RP & SE 515	Access to the General Curriculum for Students with Disabilities	3
RP & SE 605	Development, Learning and Education Foundations in Special Education	3
RP & SE 710	Multicultural Issues in Special Education	3
RP & SE 780	Introduction to Research in Special Education	3

#### Practicum Requirement <sup>1</sup>

Students complete the following practicums:	5
RP & SE 475	Special Education Practicum: Early Childhood and Elementary
RP & SE 476	Special Education Practicum: Secondary (Grades 4-12)
or RP & SE 480	Practicum in Teaching Literacy: Secondary Special Education (Grades 4-12)

#### Student Teaching and Seminar Requirement 9

RP & SE 467 & RP & SE 477	Elementary Student Teaching Seminar and Special Education Student Teaching: Elementary (PK - Grade 9)
RP & SE 468 & RP & SE 478	Secondary Student Teaching Seminar and Special Education Student Teaching: Secondary (Grades 4-12)

**Total Credits 44**

<sup>1</sup> At minimum, complete 5 credits of practicum: RP & SE 475 for 3 credits and 2 credits of RP & SE 476 or RP & SE 480, but students may take additional credits according to their program plan.

### **Tests**

For more information on required tests, refer to the certification/licensure information (<https://guide.wisc.edu/graduate/rehabilitation-psychology-special-education/special-education-ms/#certificationlicensuretext>).

### **Other Policy**

Students in this program may not take courses outside the prescribed curriculum without faculty advisor and program director approval.

Students in this program cannot enroll concurrently in other undergraduate or graduate degree programs.