

Department of Special Education & Interventions
MS with Initial Certification Teacher Licensure Certificate Program
Recommended Academic Map

Summer I	Cr.	Important Milestones
SPED 501 Education of the Exceptional Learner	3	<input type="checkbox"/> Obtain Taskstream account (via BlackBoard Learn) <input type="checkbox"/> Complete fingerprinting requirement (See SEPS website) <input type="checkbox"/> Begin preparing for Praxis Core exam or determine eligibility for waiver <input type="checkbox"/> Target cumulative GPA \geq 3.0
Total Credits	3	
Semester 1 (Fall)	Cr.	Important Milestones
SPED 502 Principles of Learning in Special Education	3	<input type="checkbox"/> Earn cumulative GPA \geq 3.0 <input type="checkbox"/> Apply to the Professional Program (via TaskStream) Sept 10 th or Feb 10 th deadline <input type="checkbox"/> Join CCSU CEC Chapter on Facebook
SPED 503 Evidence-Based Practices for Diverse Learners	3	
LLA 509 (formerly RDG 508) Reading Instruc. K-12	3	
Total Credits	9	
Semester 2 (Spring)	Cr.	Important Milestones
SPED 514 Cognitive-Behavior Management	3	<input type="checkbox"/> Earn cumulative GPA \geq 3.0 <input type="checkbox"/> Professional Program acceptance
SPED 515 Assessment in Special Education	3	
SPED 516 Instructional Programming	3	
Total Credits	9	
Summer II	Cr.	Important Milestones
SPED 532	3	<input type="checkbox"/> Earn cumulative GPA \geq 3.0 <input type="checkbox"/> Pass Praxis II (ETS 0543/5543) <input type="checkbox"/> Pass Foundations of Reading Exam (190) (SA190)
Total Credits	3	
Semester 3 (Fall)	Cr.	Important Milestones
SPED 517 Methods in Teaching Reading	3	<input type="checkbox"/> Earn cumulative GPA \geq 3.0 <input type="checkbox"/> Apply to the Office of School-Community Partnerships for Student Teaching Sept 15 th or Feb 15 th deadline <input type="checkbox"/> Earn cumulative GAP \geq 3.00
SPED 518 Methods in Teaching Writing	3	
SPED 519 Methods: Content Area Instruction	3	
Total Credits	9	
Semester 4 (Spring)	Cr.	Important Milestones
SPED 521 Student Teaching: Elementary	3	<input type="checkbox"/> Earn cumulative GPA \geq 3.0 <input type="checkbox"/> No other courses may be scheduled during this semester <input type="checkbox"/> Completion of edTPA Teacher Work Sample <input type="checkbox"/> Apply to the CT State Department of Education for Initial Certification in Special Education (#165)
SPED 522 Student Teaching: Secondary	3	
SPED 520 Seminar for Student Teachers	1	
Total Credits	7	
Summer III	Cr.	Important Milestones
SPED 598	3	<input type="checkbox"/> Earn cumulative GPA \geq 3.0 <input type="checkbox"/> Obtain employment as a special educator
Total Credits	3	
Semester 5 (Fall)	Cr.	Important Milestones
SPED 596 Capstone Project I	3	<input type="checkbox"/> Earn cumulative GPA \geq 3.0 <input type="checkbox"/> Apply for graduation Oct 15 or March 15 th deadline
Total Credits	3	
Semester 6 (Spring)	Cr.	Important Milestones
SPED 597 Capstone Project II	3	
Total Credits	3	