## Master of Education (M.Ed.)
Special Education with Teaching Endorsement in Deaf and Hard of Hearing (K-12)

### Teacher Endorsement Requirements

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### Master of Education Graduate Study Requirements

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<td>Advanced Graduate Core</td>
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<td><strong>Total credit hours for the Master of Education Special Education with an Endorsement in Deaf and Hard of Hearing (K-12)</strong></td>
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### Teacher Education Core (24 Credit Hours)

**Choose one:**
- SP ED 6011: Inclusive Early Childhood and Elementary Classrooms  
  - Term Offered: F, S, U
- SP ED 6012: Teaching Students with Disabilities in Inclusive Secondary Classrooms  
  - Term Offered: F, S, U
- SP ED 6021: Principles of Assessment and Data-Based Decision Making  
  - Term Offered: F, S, U
- SP ED 6022: Principles of Instruction & Behavior Support  
  - Term Offered: F, S, U
- SP ED 6030: Functional Communication and Language Development  
  - Term Offered: U
- SP ED 6040: Legal & Policy Foundations of Special Education  
  - Term Offered: S, U
- SP ED 6054: Professional Writing in Education  
  - Term Offered: F, S, U

**Choose one:**
- ED PS 6315: Reading Methods I: K-6 (Upper Division Communication/Writing Requirement)  
  - May be taken prior to or concurrently with EDU 6314 or EDU 6316  
  - Term Offered: U
- EDU 6314: Reading Practicum K-3: Early Steps May be taken after or concurrently with ED PS 6315  
  - Term Offered: #
- EDU 6316: Reading Practicum K-3: Next Steps May be taken after or concurrently with ED PS 6315  
  - Term Offered: #
- Approved upper division course on Cultural or Linguistic Diversity  
  - Term Offered: #

### Specialization in Deaf and Hard of Hearing (40 Credit Hours)

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<td>Orientation to Education of Students who are Deaf and Hard of Hearing</td>
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<td>SP ED 6520</td>
<td>Audiology and Listening Technology for Teachers of Students Who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing</td>
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<td>SP ED 6521</td>
<td>Speech Acoustics for Teachers of Children who are Deaf and Hard of Hearing</td>
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<td>Linguistics of American Sign Language</td>
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<td>SP ED 6508</td>
<td>Descriptive Grammar for Teachers of Students who are Deaf and Hard of Hearing</td>
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<td>ASL 2010</td>
<td>Intermediate American Sign Language 1 Pre-requisite ASL 1010 and ASL 1020</td>
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<td>SP ED 6530</td>
<td>Teaching Speech and Listening Using Auditory Verbal Strategies</td>
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<td>Teaching Spoken Language to Deaf and Hard of Hearing Children: Birth-School Age</td>
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<td>ASL/English Instructional Strategies</td>
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<td>Effective Practices: Programming and Instruction Effective Practices: Programming &amp; Instruction for Students who are Deaf and Hard of Hearing</td>
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<td>SP ED 6600</td>
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Advanced Graduate Core (9 Credit Hours) | Credit Hours | Term Offered
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SP ED 6610 Introduction to Research Design | 3 | F,U
SP ED 6450 Teaching Children Who Are Deafblind | 3 | U

Choose at least 3 additional hours:

SP ED 6631 Augmentative and Alternative Communication Instructional Strategies (Assistive Technology Course) | 3 | U
SP ED 6620 Parent/Professional Collaboration | 3 | U
ED PS 6005 Writing Instruction and Assessment: K-6 (Upper Division Communication and Writing) | 3 | #

Taken Concurrently:

EDU 5375 Science Methods | 3 | #
ED PS 5442 Integrating Technology into Instruction II: Science Pre-requisite ED PS 3140 | 1 | #

Establish a Supervisory Committee

A student must establish a three-member supervisory committee to advise him or her in completing all study requirements. Upon admission to the Department of Special Education, the student must meet with his/her appointed advisor to establish a timeline for completion of study requirements, including a timeline for establishing the supervisory committee and identifying the committee chair. Master’s supervisory committees consist of three faculty members (including tenure-line, career-line, visiting, and emeritus). Unless prior approval has been obtained from the Graduate School, the chair of the supervisory committee and the majority of committee members must be tenured/tenure track faculty in the Department of Special Education. The student may choose to appoint one member of the committee from another department or college at the University of Utah; however, a committee member from another department or college at the University of Utah cannot serve as committee chair. Exceptions to these guidelines must be recommended and justified by the Chair of the Department of Special Education, and approved by the Dean of The Graduate School. Generally, a faculty member from outside of the Department of Special Education should have knowledge and expertise in the student’s area of study. All committee members must hold a master’s (M.A./M.S./M.Ed.) or doctoral (Ph.D./Ed.D.) degree. For more information, click here: https://gradschool.utah.edu/catalog/degree.php

Qualifying and Comprehensive Examinations

The qualifying exam and the comprehensive exam focus on a single topic area identified by the chair of the supervisory committee. The qualifying exam and the comprehensive exam are designed to assess the breadth and depth of the student’s knowledge of the research base in his or her specialization area, the ability to synthesize and integrate the knowledge and skills developed in the specialization area, and the ability to communicate ideas in written and oral form.

Successful completion of the qualifying and comprehensive exams requires the student to demonstrate competency in both written and oral communication. The supervisory committee will advise the student with regard to whether the qualifying exam will be a written response or oral response. If the qualifying exam will be a written response, then the comprehensive exam will be an oral response. Conversely, if the qualifying exam will be an oral response, then the comprehensive examination will be a written response. The written and oral responses are described in the following sections.

The qualifying examination must be successfully completed in order to advance to candidacy for the M.Ed. degree. Students must be registered for a minimum of one (1) credit hour during the semester that they complete the qualifying exam. Further, students must be registered for a minimum of one (1) credit hour during the semester that they complete the comprehensive exam.
**Continuous Enrollment**
All graduate students must be registered for at least one course from the time of formal admissions through completion of all requirements for the degree they are seeking, unless granted an official leave of absence. Students not on campus and not using University facilities are not expected to register for summer term.

**Master Degree Residency Requirement**
At least 24 credit hours must be in resident study at the University of Utah. Students are expected to complete their master’s program within **four years** from the time they are matriculated. Previous graduate work may be applied to the requirements of the program if (a) approved by the student’s supervisory committee, and (b) consistent with University Graduate School Policy.

- Students may be recommended for licensure to the Utah State Board of Education following completion of the Teacher License Requirements, Praxis II examination and successful completion of background check.
- *Semesters, dates and times of courses offered are subject to change.
- # Contact the department offering the course.
- © Students who hold a valid Utah teaching license in Special Education may not need to complete the following courses. Please check with your faculty advisor.
- ^ Consult the Department of Special Education Graduate Student Handbook for the requirements for completing these study requirements.

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