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Program Advisor: _____

Catalog of Admission: _____

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

I. Background Requirements and Transfer Courses (if applicable; See Note 2 on the reverse)

Course Number	Course Name	Course Prerequisites	Grade	SEMTaken
EDSE 5321	Accommodating Diverse Populations (Or Equiv.)	none		
EDSE 5326	Behavioral Aspects of Classroom Org and Mgt (Or Equiv.)	EDSE 5321		

II. Required Core Coursework (27 semester credit hours)

Course Number	Course Name	Course Prerequisites	Grade	SEMTaken
EDSE 5322	Educ Testing and Measurement of Exceptional Leamer	EDSE 5321		
EDSE 5324	Designing Instructional & Behavioral Programs for Spec Educ	EDSE 5321		
EDSE 5325	Development and Disability	EDSE 5321		
EDSE 5327	Special Populations: Legislation, Litigation, & Advocacy	EDSE 5321		
EDSE 5351	Advanced Behavior Analysis and Interventions	EDSE 5321, 5326		
EDSE 5374	Educational & Psychological Measurement & Evaluation	EDSE 5321, 5322		
EDSE 5375	Advanced Practicum in SPED Assessment (Intern I)	EDSE 5321, 5322, 5374		
EDSE 5376	Individual Psychological & Educational Assessment (Intern II)	EDSE 5321, 5322, 5375		
EDSE 5301	Research in Special Education (Fall/Spring only)	Admissions to Grad School		

III. Additional Coursework (9 semester credit hours in Specialty/Support Field; may include Thesis hours)

Course Number	Course Name	Course Prerequisites	Grade	SEMTaken

Course Rotation: Fall/Summer (5322, 5324), Spring/Summer (5325), Fall Only (5351), Spring Only (5374), Fall/Spring (5301, 5375, 5376), Fall/Spring, Summer (5321, 5326, 5327)

Support Fields include: Additional Special Education coursework, Bilingual/English as a Second Language, Early Childhood, Reading, and select Educational Administration (EDAD approval required)

IV. Graduation Option (Initial one)

A. Graduate Research Project

_____ (A research project, produced as a major assignment in EDSE 5301 or EDED 5329; Action Research Survey with graduate level research project paper that is not submitted to the Graduate School)

B. Thesis

_____ (EDSE 5306; Requires faculty approval (i.e., chair); Hours from Support Field may be used; Research Based Application with thesis submission to the Graduate School)

Student Signature: _____

Date: _____

Academic Advisor Signature: _____

Date: _____

N O T E S

- 1) Total number of hours for the Master's degree in Special Education is 36.
- 2) Texas A&M University-San Antonio requires a background of EDSE 5321 Accommodating Diverse Populations or its equivalent for the Educational Diagnostician Track masters in Special Education. Students who are admitted to the program without appropriate background courses must take required background courses. Background courses must be approved by the Graduate Advisor of Record.
- 3) Students pursuing the Graduate Research Project Option are required to complete a major writing research project in a research titled course (i.e., EDSE 5301 Research in Special Education or EDED 5329 Educational Research). This includes an action research class project with paper that includes Introduction, Review of Literature, Methods, Results, and Discussion and Recommendations that is not filed with the Graduate School.
- 4) Students pursuing the Thesis Option are required to gain faculty approval (i.e., select a faculty chair) and enroll for EDSE 5306 twice for a total of 6 hours of thesis, completing a research project following university guidelines for thesis submission with the Graduate School. Hours may be counted within the "additional coursework" section of the degree in lieu of a Specialty/Support field.
- 5) With departmental approval, coursework already taken and passed with a B or better in an equivalent course at the graduate level at another university or in another education--related degree program may be applied to the degree and must be transferred during the first semester of study at TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-SAN ANTONIO. No class counted toward another degree can be used to satisfy the requirements of the M.Ed. in Special Education except for Educational Research Methods (B or Better required). An additional support course will need to be taken to substitute for Research Methods if credit is accepted from a previous degree. Students will need to provide copies of the course syllabus/i, transcript indicating completion and grade (and whether the course was used to satisfy requirements for another degree), and relevant work from the course (e.g., course paper, exam, evaluations).
- 6) Every Master's degree candidate at TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-SAN ANTONIO is required to pass a Comprehensive Exam in order to be awarded the Master's degree. This examination is typically taken during the last or next to the last semester of enrollment. In order to qualify to take the Comprehensive Examination, students must:
 - a) have an official signed Advising Plan on file signed by student and student's program advisor;
 - b) have a cumulative graduate GPA of 3.00 or better (only A, B, C grades count towards degree);
 - c) be in good academic standing at TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY-SAN ANTONIO (not on scholastic probation or enforced withdrawal);
 - d) have completed all required courses with the exception of EDSE 5376;
 - e) complete an application for Comprehensive Exam in the College of Education office
- 7) Applications for graduation must be done in the semester prior to when graduation is anticipated and follow university procedures including comprehensive examinations. See Graduate Advisor for additional information.
- 8) A master's degree student must complete all requirements for each specific graduate degree within five years of initial registration for that degree. Graduate credits older than those stipulated are not applicable toward a graduate degree without written approval from the Director of Graduate Studies. (Taken from the Graduate catalogue.)