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**Semester One: [17 Credit Hours]**

UCO 1200 First Year Seminar <b>OR</b> RC 1000 Expository Writing	3	C		
Science Inquiry	4			
General Education Course	3			
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General Education Course	3			
Wellness Literacy	1			

**Semester Two: [17 Credit Hours]**

RC 1000 Expository Writing <b>OR</b> UCO 1200 First Year Seminar	3	C		
Science Inquiry	4			
General Education Course	3			
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Wellness Literacy	1			

**Semester Three : [15 Credit Hours]**

RC 2001 Introduction to Writing Across the Curriculum	3			
MAT 1010 Introduction to Mathematics (Quantitative Literacy)	4			
CI 2300 Teaching and Learning in the Digital Age	2	C		
FDN 2400 Critical Perspectives in Learning and Teaching	2	C		
PSY 3010 Psychoedu Strategies with Special Needs Learners	3	C		
Elective	1			

**Semester Four: [15 Credit Hours] (Courses may be taken semester four or semester five)**

General Education Course	3			
SPE 3350 Characteristics, Theories, and Diagnosis of Students with Learning Differences	3	C		
SPE 3360 Psychological Strategies with Special Needs Learners	3	C		
SPE 3310 Research and Issues in Special Education ( <b>WID</b> )	3	C		

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SPE 3380 Assistive Technology in Special Education	3	C		
<b>Semester Five: [14 Credit Hours] (Courses may be taken semester four or semester five)</b>				
RE 4620 Reading Instruction in the Middle/Junior and Senior High School	3	C		
SPE 3300 Creating Inclusive Learning Communities	3	C		
SPE 3370 Introduction to Developmental Disabilities	3	C		
CI 3400 Policies and Practices in Educational Assessment	2	C		
RE 3900 Principles of Reading Instruction for the Classroom Teacher	3	C		
<b>Semester Six: [12 Credit Hours]</b>				
SPE 3374 Assessment in Special Education <b>OR</b> RE 4710 Diagnosis and Remediation of Reading Problems	3	C		
<b>Block I</b> SPE 4495 Practicum I	3	S		
SPE 4570 Advocacy and Legislation in Special Education	3	C		
SPE 4601 Classroom Management and Positive Behavior Supports	3	C		
SPE 4705 Methods for Students with Disabilities: General Curriculum	3	C		
<b>Semester Seven: [15 Credit Hours]</b>				
SPE 3374 Assessment in Special Education <b>OR</b> RE 4710 Diagnosis and Remediation of Reading Problems	3	C		
<b>Block II</b> SPE 4205 Inclusion	3	C		
SPE 4215 Strategies for Teaching Mathematics to Students with Disabilities	3	C		
SPE 4405 Strategies for Students with Disabilities: General Curriculum	3	C		



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SPE 4496 Practicum II	3	S		
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**Semester Eight: [12 Credit Hours]**

SPE 4900 Student Teaching in Special Education (CAP)	12	S		
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General Requirements Summary				
Minimum Total Hours	Gen Ed. Hours	Writing	Major GPA	Minimum Overall GPA
120	44	RC 1000 and RC 2001	2.0	2.7

**General Education Program Model - 44 Semester Hours Total**

Program Categories	Hours	Important Notes – <i>Be sure to check for Gen Ed courses required in your major</i>
First Year Seminar	3	Can be taken first or second semester of freshman year
Wellness Literacy	2	
Quantitative Literacy	4	MAT 1030 or MAT 1110 counts in both the major and Gen Ed
First Year Writing	3	Minimum grade of “C” required Can be taken first or second semester of freshman year
Sophomore Writing	3	Minimum grade of “C” required
Integrative Learning Experience	9	Must choose a minimum of two disciplines
Liberal Studies Experience	12	Must choose a minimum of three disciplines
Science Inquiry	8	

You must also meet the Fine Arts, Literary Studies, Historical Studies, and the Social Science Designations. Those may be met within the Integrative Learning Experience and the Liberal Studies Experience.

**Additional Notes:**

- **Refer to the Major POS and the General Education POS for more information and pre/co-requisites.**
- Praxis I requirement should be met during the FRESHMAN YEAR.
- **Apply to teacher education during sophomore year.**
- ALL non-block coursework should be completed before 6<sup>th</sup> semester.
- Try to use electives and General Education courses toward CONTENT AREA to be “highly qualified” for licensure.



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- **Students completing both Adapted Curriculum and General Curriculum should take SPE 4497 Practicum III (3 sh) as one of their electives.**
- **A student must have at least a 2.70 grade-point average to be admitted to the teacher education program and must maintain a 2.70 grade-point average overall through student teaching.**