

# THE UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA

*Department of Educational Psychology  
Area of Emphasis: Gifted and Creative Education*

## SUGGESTED GRADUATE COURSEWORK FOR EDUCATION SPECIALIST (EdS) DEGREE

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_  
UGA Email: \_\_\_\_\_ 1<sup>st</sup> Semester/Year: \_\_\_\_\_ Expected Graduation: \_\_\_\_\_

The EdS degree in Gifted and Creative Education requires a minimum of 31<sup>i</sup> credit hours of coursework beyond the Master's degree, plus a 3 credit hour Applied Project, for a total of 34 credit hours. The required minimum number of courses for each Area Emphasis must be met in the course of study. This checklist is not exhaustive and is intended to serve as a guide to be used for advising purposes. The actual program of study may vary based on a student's goals and background, with the approval of the student's major professor.

Only graduate level courses (course numbers 6000 and above) may be used toward the earning of a graduate degree. Online courses will have an "E" after the number on the schedule (ex. EPSY 7110E). Individual course descriptions may be found on the UGA Bulletin webpage, <http://www.bulletin.uga.edu/>.

Advising Checklist				
Area Emphasis	Course No.	Course Title	Term	Grade
Gifted Education Foundations & Endorsement (All Required)	EPSY 7060	Assessment of Gifted Children and Youth		
	EPSY 7110	Characteristics of Gifted Children and Youth		
	EPSY 7230	Strategies and Materials for the Gifted		
	EPSY 7250	Program and Curriculum Development for the Gifted		
Strand: Creativity (1 Required)	EPSY 7240	Creativity: Instructional Procedures & Problem Solving Processes		
	EPSY 8160 <sup>ii</sup>	Special Topics in Educational Psychology (Creativity)		
	EPSY 8220	Theories of Creativity		
	EPSY 8230	Divergent and Creative Thinking		
	EPSY 8260	Advanced Assessment of Creative Behavior and Potential		
Strand: Social & Emotional (1 Required)	Other <sup>iii</sup>			
	EPSY 7260	Supporting the Social & Emotional Development of Gifted Students		
	EPSY 8160	Special Topics in Educational Psychology (Family and Community Engagement in Gifted Education) <sup>iv</sup>		
	EPSY 8200	Learning Difficulties of Gifted Children and Youth		
	EPSY 8210	Underachievement in High Ability Students		
Strand: Diversity & Equity (1 Required)	Other			
	EDIT 6600	Multicultural Perspectives on Technology		
	EPSY 7210	Multicultural Gifted & Talented Education		
	EPSY 7270	Retention of Ethnic Minorities in Gifted/Advanced Programs		
	EPYS 8160	Special Topics in Educational Psychology (Family and Community Engagement in Gifted Education)		
Strand: Educational Psychology Foundations (1 Required)	Other			
	EPSY 6010	Foundations of Human Development for Education		
	EPSY 6060	Foundations of Motivation for Education		
	EPSY 6800	Foundations of Cognition for Education		
	EPSY 7160	Nurturing Independent Learners		
	EPSY 8180	Psychology of Learning and Instruction		
	EPSY 8190	Achievement and Intelligence		
Strand: Research (1 Required)	Other			
	ERSH 6200	Methods of Research in Education		
	ERSH 6300	Applied Statistical Methods in Education		

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Area Emphasis	Course No.	Course Title	Term	Grade
	ERSH/ESSE/ETAP/QUAL 7500	Action Research		
	ERSH 7250	Educational Program and Project Evaluation		
	ERSH 8310	Applied Analysis of Variance		
	ERSH/QUAL 8575	Mixed Methods Approaches to Research		
	QUAL 8400	Qualitative Research Traditions		
	QUAL 8410	Designing Qualitative Research		
Field Experience	EPSY 7710	Practicum in Gifted and Creative Education		
Professional Development	EPSY 6990	Master's Seminar in Educational Psychology (1 semester min.)		
Applied Project	EPSY 8650	Applied Education Specialist Project in Educational Psychology		

EdS Program Important Events	
Date	Event
	Program of Study for Non-Doctoral Professional Degrees submitted to the Graduate School
	Education Specialist Report of Final Exam (Applied Project results) submitted to the Graduate School
	Application for Graduation through Athena

<sup>i</sup> The University of Georgia Graduate School requires a minimum of 30 credit hours for an EdS program.

<sup>ii</sup> EPSY 8160(E): Special Topics in Educational Psychology courses can have multiple subtitles as that number is used until a course has a permanent number.

<sup>iii</sup> Other courses may fulfill a strand requirement, with the approval of the student's major professor.

<sup>iv</sup> EPSY 8160: Special Topics in Educational Psychology (Family and Community Engagement in Gifted Education) can be used to fulfill either the Social & Emotional Strand or the Diversity Strand, but not both.