

Special Education



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Requirements & Recommended GURs

- **Admission Requirements** for all Special Education programs
 1. ENG 101 with a grade of B- or better; or CEEB English score of 4.
- **Admissions Testing Requirement** for Teacher Certification programs only
 2. Washington State requires that individuals seeking admission to teacher education must take an entrance test in reading, math and writing. Applicants may use WEST-B, SAT or ACT or some combination of these assessments. Further information is available at: www.wce.wwu.edu/admissions/west-b-requirement
- **Prerequisites to courses in the Special Education major** that are not included in the major - **most are also GURs** (these can be taken after admission)

The following courses are **prerequisites** to courses for the programs specified. These prerequisites may also meet General University Requirements (GUR), so consider using them to help fulfill your GURs.

Special Education and Elementary Education (SPEL) or the Early Childhood Special Education and Early Childhood Education (SPCE) majors:

1. MATH 112 or equivalent course or Math placement test with a high enough score to test into MATH 381 (see <https://oce.wwu.edu/testing-center/aleks>), and
2. SCED 201 and all science GURs (see #5 on reverse) must be completed before enrolling in SCED 480. Check catalog for SCED prerequisites.

Special Education and Content Endorsement (SPED) major:

1. Prerequisites may apply depending on the content endorsement chosen. Please review the catalog or contact the Academic Department or Special Education Office for assistance.

Exceptionality & Disability BAE or Early Childhood Special Education BAE majors that do not result in teacher certification

1. Prerequisites depend on electives chosen

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➤ GUR Recommendations

The following General University Requirements (GUR's) are recommended for those seeking a Bachelor of Arts in Education (BAE) but not required. You may take other courses to satisfy the GUR requirements. Please see the WWU Catalog you matriculated under for a complete description of the various GUR options.

1. **Communication (ACOM, BCOM,CCOM)**

ENG 101 Writing Your Way Through WWU (5)

ENG 201 Writing in Humanities (5)

ENG 202 Writing about Literature (5)

JOUR 207 Newswriting (4)

PHIL 107 Logical Thinking (3)

2. **Quantitative & Symbolic Reasoning (QSR)**

ENVS 201 Understanding Environmental Data and Information (4)

MATH 112 – Functions and Algebraic Methods (5)

MATH 381* Teaching K-8 Mathematics I (4)

MATH 382* Teaching K-8 Mathematics II (4)

**Count as a GUR only for students in the Special Education and Elementary Education or Early Childhood Special Education and Early Childhood Education majors.*

3. **Humanities (HUM)**

HIST 103 American History 1865 (5)

HIST 104 American History since 1865 (5)

4. **Social Sciences (SSC)**

EDUC 109 Scholarship of Teaching and Learning (4)

EDUC 115 Introduction to Education Professions (4)

ENVS 202 Introduction to Environmental Studies and Sustainability (3)

LING 201 Introduction to Language and Linguistics (5)

LING 204 Sociolinguistics (4)

PLSC 101 Government & Politics in the Modern World (5)

PLSC 250 American Political System (5)

5. **Natural Sciences (LSCI, SCI)**

SCED 201 Matter & Energy in Physical Systems (4)

SCED 202 Matter & Energy in Earth Systems (4)

SCED 203 Matter & Energy in Life Systems (4)

6. **Comparative, Gender & Multicultural Studies (ACGM, BCGM)**

Modern and Classical - Languages numbered 200 and above.

EXCE 205 Disability, Diversity and the Mass Media (4) **(highly recommended)**

C2C 203 – Mentoring and Social Justice (5)

This document is subject to change. Please note that these are recommendations. Find additional course options in the WWU catalog under: "General University Requirements."