

United States Armed Forces / Old Dominion University Military Pathway Catalog Year 2025–2028 BACHELOR OF SCIENCE – SPECIAL EDUCATION (GENERAL OR ADAPTED CURRICULUM) K-12		
Requirements Potentially Met Outside Classroom		
Military Course, Certification, Experience, or Exam	ODU Equivalent Course	Credits
CLEP ^{1 2 3} College Composition (NOT Modular)	ENGL 110C English Composition	3
DSST Technical Writing	ENGL 231C Writing, Rhetoric, and Research: Special Topics	3
Instructor, career counselor, recruiter, or select specialties	Oral Communication requirement	3
CLEP College Mathematics	MATH 101M Introduction to Mathematics for Critical Thinking	3
CLEP College Algebra or DSST Fundamentals of College Algebra	MATH 102M College Algebra	
CLEP Precalculus	MATH 162M Precalculus I	
DSST Principles of Statistics	STAT 130M Elementary Statistics	
CLEP Foreign Languages or military linguist or DLIFLC graduate	Language and Culture requirement ⁴ (Spanish preferred)	6
CLEP American or Analyzing & Interpreting Literature	Literature requirement	3
CLEP Human Growth & Development or DSST Lifespan Development Psychology	PSYC 203S Lifespan Development	3
CLEP Biology	Nature of Science requirement	4
DSST Introduction to Geology or Principles of Physical Science I	Nature of Science requirement (must be different than BIOL)	4
CLEP or DSST multiple choices	Electives required to meet 120 credits	various
Current or previous E6-E9	STEM 251G Computer Literacy: Communication & Information	3
Current or previous E6-E9 (elective if needed)	SEPS 302 Workforce Supervision Management	3
Current or previous E7-E9 (elective if needed)	MGMT 325 Contemporary Organizations & Management	3
Current or previous E8-E9 (elective if needed)	MGMT 330 Organizational Behavior	3
Current or previous E9 (elective if needed)	MGMT 410 Leadership in Organizations	3
Requirements Potentially Met Outside Classroom		47+

Notes for page 2:

- Admission to the undergraduate special education teacher preparation program and completion of a background clearance check is required prior to registration for SPED 403, 415, 428, 441, and 486.
- SPED 403 and 415 each include a 45-hour practicum requirement. Students enrolled in SPED 403 must request a high school setting; in SPED 415 must request an elementary school practicum setting; in SPED 428 must request a middle/high school setting; and in SPED 441 may request any PreK-12 setting.
- SPED 486 teacher candidates will student teach 7 weeks at the elementary level and 7 weeks at the secondary level.
- Passing scores on the Special Education exit exam and the PRAXIS Teaching Reading: Elementary (5205) assessment are required prior to SPED 486.

¹ A passing CLEP or DSST examination score will satisfy the ODU requirement. See <https://clep.collegeboard.org/> and <https://www.odu.edu/academics/academic-records/score-analysis/clep-dantes> for details.

² A student may forego the CLEP or DSST option and satisfy the requirements by taking the actual courses. If a course is taken elsewhere check first for transfer equivalency here <https://transfer2.odu.edu/equivalency/>.

³ Modern States offers CLEP preparation here <https://modernstates.org/>.

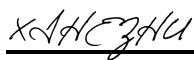
⁴ ODU's Language and Culture requirement can be satisfied by three years of a foreign language or two years of two foreign languages in high school. Students whose native language is not English are exempt from taking a foreign language for general education.

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Requirements Met at ODU
A minimum of 30 credits must be taken at ODU and 120 credits total to earn degree


Short Title	Course Title	Credits
Special Education General Education and Core Requirements		
Gen Ed requirements	HIST 104H Interpreting the American Past; Human Creativity and Philosophy and Ethics requirements	9
FOUN 301	Learning and Development	3
FOUN 302	Assessment of Learning	3
SPED 400	Foundations of Special Education: Legal Aspects and Characteristics	3
SPED 411	Classroom and Behavioral Management Techniques for Students with Diverse Needs	3
SPED 417	Collaboration and Transitions	3
STEM 370T	Technology and Society (writing intensive; C or better required; meets Impact of Technology requirement)	3
TLED 326	Socio-Cultural Perspectives in Education	3
TLED 426	Introduction to Literacy, Linguistics and Practice in the Classroom	3
Electives	Electives required to meet 120 credits not met elsewhere	various
Special Education General Curriculum K-12		
SPED 402	Instructional Design I: Learner Characteristics and Assessment	3
SPED 403	Directed Field Experience in Special Education	3
SPED 415	Instructional Design II: Curricular Procedures and Individualized Education Planning	3
SPED 418	Instructional Strategies to Meet Diverse Learning Needs in Math	3
SPED 440	Assistive Technology for Diverse Students	3
SPED 486	Teacher Candidate Internship for Special Endorsement	12
TLED 408	Reading and Writing in Content Areas	3
Special Education Adapted Curriculum K-12		
SPED 402, 415, 418, 440, and 486 as above		24
SPED 404	Characteristics and Medical Aspects of Disabling Conditions	3
SPED 428	Instructional Strategies for Students Accessing the Adapted Curriculum	3
SPED 441	Teaching Students with Severe Physical and Sensorimotor Disabilities	3
SPED 469	Communication/Language Development/Intervention for Students with Significant Disabilities	3
Requirements met at ODU		63+
Total credits for degree		120

- Submit application at <https://www.odu.edu/apply/applications>.
- Order your high school, college, Air University, and/or joint service transcripts sent to globaladmissions@odu.edu or Old Dominion University, Undergraduate Admissions, 1004 Alfred B. Rollins Jr. Hall, Norfolk, Virginia 23529-0050.
- Electronically sign your application and monitor your application portal for status updates until an admission decision is made.
- Accept your admission offer and set up your ODU account/email as directed by Admissions.
- Complete orientation and meet with your academic advisor prior to course registration to finalize your degree plan.


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