

Special Education – Learning Behavior Specialist I - Undergraduate Program
Effective beginning 2003-04 Catalog Year

CREDIT HOURS COURSE NUMBER COURSE NAME

Core Competency Courses (12 hours)

3	*ENGL 103	Rhetoric and Composition I
3	*ENGL 104	Rhetoric and Composition II
3	COMS 100	Fundamentals of Oral Communication
3	*MATH 201	Foundations of Elementary School Mathematics

General Education Courses - Program Requirements (18 hours)

3	EPFE 201	Education as an Agent for Change (or IDSP 211 or ILAS 123)
3	GEOG 202	World Regional Geography
3	HIST 260	American History to 1865
3	HIST 261	American History since 1865
3	POLS 100 OR 150	American Government and Politics OR Democracy in America
3	PSYC 102	Introduction to Psychology

Additional General Education Courses - NIU Requirements (13 hours)

3	Visual and Performing Arts Humanities: ARTH 282 OR MUSC 220 OR THEA 203
7	Sciences and Mathematics (from at least two different departments)
3	General Education Choice: Humanities OR Science/Math OR Interdisciplinary Studies

TLSE (Special Education) Program Courses (53 hours)

3	*TLSE 240	Introduction to Special Education
1	TLSE 260	Service Learning Field Experience in Special Education
3	*TLSE 375	Linking Student Characteristics to Education Interventions
3	*TLSE 420	Accessing the General Curriculum – Elementary I
3	*TLSE 435	Accessing the General Curriculum – Elementary II
3	*TLSE 440	Accessing Middle School/Secondary General Curriculum
3	*TLSE 445	Applied Curriculum
3	*TLSE 452	Assistive Technology/Multiple Disabilities
3	*TLSE 454	Classroom Management for Special Educators
3	*TLSE 455	Social/Emotional Behavioral Support and Management
3	TLSE 456	Collaboration for Inclusive Teaching and Learning
3	TLSE 458	Transition Planning/Vocational Prep. for Adolescents w/Disabilities
2	*TLSE 466	Clinical Experience in Special Education I - Elementary
2	*TLSE 467	Clinical Experience in Special Education II - Secondary
2	*TLSE 468	Clinical Experience in Special Education III – Developmental Disabilities
6	TLSE 485	Student Teaching in Elementary Special Education
6	TLSE 486	Student Teaching in Secondary Special Education
1	TLSE 494	Capstone Seminar in Special Education

Courses Outside TLSE Department (28 hours)

3	COMD 220	Introduction to Communicative Disorders
3	EPFE 410 or 321	Philosophy of Education or History of American Education
3	EPS 405	Issues in Human Development
3	*ETR 434	Assessing Students with Special Needs
3	ETT 229	Computers in Education
3	ETT 402	Teaching & Learning with Technology
3	LTLA 341	Language Arts in the Elementary School
3	LTRE 300	Elementary School Developmental Reading Programs
3	KNPE 490	Adapted Physical Education
1	KNPE 492	Special Physical Education Clinical

124 Total Semester Credit Hours

*Require grade of "C" or better.

Admission to teacher education in special education requires minimum NIU GPA of 3.0 upon completion of TLSE 240/260/375 and successful completion of ICTS Test of Basic Skills. Must maintain GPA of 2.75 to remain in sp. ed. program courses.

All requirements subject to change by Illinois State Board of Education.

Northern Illinois University - College of Education
Special Education Major

Learning Behavior Specialist I – Undergraduate Sample Program

FRESHMAN YEAR

FALL

*ENGL 103	Rhetoric & Comp. I	3
COMS 100	Oral Comm./Speech	3
HIST 260	Am. History to 1865	3
VPA Humanities		3
Science		<u>3</u>
Total Semester Credit Hours		15

SPRING

*ENGL 104	Rhetoric & Comp. II	3
*MATH 201	Found. Elem. Sch. Math	3
HIST 261	Am. History since 1865	3
PSYC 102	Intro. to Psychology	3
Science w/ lab		<u>4</u>
Total Semester Credit Hours		16

SOPHOMORE YEAR

FALL

*TLSE 240	Intro. to Special Educ.	3
TLSE 260	Service Field Experience1	
ETT 229	Computers in Educ.	3
EPFE 201	Educ. Agent for Change3	
GEOG 202	World Regional Geog.	3
POLS 100	Am. Govern. & Politics	<u>3</u>
Total Semester Credit Hours		16

SPRING

*TLSE 375	Link. Charact. to Interventions	3
COMD 220	Intro. Communicative Disorders	3
*ETR 434	Assess. Special Needs	3
+LTLA 341	Language Arts in Elem. Sch.	3
+LTRE 300	Elem. Sch. Dev. Reading Prog.	3
Gen. Ed. Choice		<u>3</u>
Total Semester Credit Hours		18

JUNIOR YEAR

BLOCK 1 - Elementary Clinical

Require NIU 3.0 GPA & Basic Skills passing score

FALL

*TLSE 420	Gen. Curriculum I	3
*TLSE 435	Gen. Curriculum II	3
TLSE 466	Clinical Sp. Ed. I	2
*TLSE 454	Classroom Manage.	3
+EPS 405	Human Development	<u>3</u>
Total Semester Credit Hours		14

BLOCK 2 – Secondary Clinical

Require NIU 2.75 GPA

SPRING

*TLSE 440	Middle Sch./Secondary Curr.	3
*TLSE 455	Soc/Emot/Beh Support	3
TLSE 456	Collaboration/Inclusion	3
TLSE 458	Transition/Voc. Plan.	3
TLSE 467	Clinical Sp. Ed. II	2
EPFE 410 or 321	Phil. or Hist. Educ.	<u>3</u>
Total Semester Credit Hours		17

SENIOR YEAR

BLOCK 3 – Developmental Dis. Clinical

Require NIU 2.75 GPA

FALL

*TLSE 445	Applied Curriculum	3
*TLSE 452	Assistive Tech./Multiple Dis.	3
TLSE 468	Clinical Sp. Ed. III	2
ETT 402	Teach. & Learn. w/ Technology	3

KNPE 490	Adapted P.E.	3
KNPE 492	P.E. Clinical	<u>1</u>
Total Semester Credit Hours		15

Student Teaching

Require LBS I content test passing score & NIU 2.75 GPA

SPRING

TLSE 485A	Student Teaching - Elementary	6
TLSE 486A	Student Teaching - Secondary	6
TLSE 494	Seminar in Special Education	<u>1</u>
Total Semester Credit Hours		13

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