Traditional Class A Certificate-Special Education Collaborative Teacher K-6
Master of Education (M.Ed.)

Course of Study-Effective Fall 2022
University of South Alabama – College of Education and Professional Studies
Total Hours: 30

A minimum grade of "B" is required in all Special Education courses (SPE prefix).

		Hours	Semester	Grade
Curriculum and Teaching (6 Hours)				
SPE 512	Ecological Curriculum and Methods	3		
SPE 516	Methods for Special Needs Learners	3		
Educational Foundations (3 Hours)				
*SPE 500	Nature and Needs of Exceptional Child and Youth			
	OR			
EPY 502	Psychological Principles of Learning			
	OR			
EPY 521	Human Development and Behavior	3		
Research and Evaluation (3 Hours)				
IDE 510	Educational Research and Evaluation	3		
Technology and Media (3 Hours)				
EDM 510	Microcomputing Systems	3		
Teaching Field-CT K-6 (15 Hours)				
EEC 523	Instructional Planning in Elementary School	3		
SPE 515	Data-Based Behavior Management of Exceptional Children	3		
SPE 588	Advanced Practicum Experience	3		
SPE 591	Multi-categorical Practicum/Seminar	3		
SPE 592	Collaborative Practicum	3		

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***Testing Requirements:**

For individuals who do ***not*** hold a valid Alabama Professional Educator Certificate in Elementary Education K-6 *or* Collaborative Teacher Special Education K-6, the following exams are required for graduation and certification:

- Praxis Test-Elementary Education: Three Subject Bundle
- Foundations of Reading
- Praxis Test-Special Education: Foundational Knowledge

For individuals who hold a valid Alabama Professional Educator Certificate in Elementary Education K-6, but *not* Collaborative Teacher Special Education K-6, the following Praxis exam is required for graduation and certification:

- Special Education: Foundational Knowledge

****Testing requirements are subject to change as dictated by the ALSDE. Prior to registering for any Praxis exam, please verify the current requirements for your specific certification area by going directly to the ALABAMA portion of the Praxis website at https://praxis.ets.org/state-requirements/alabama-tests.html.***