This advising sheet applies to candidates having appropriate prior certification who begin this program at UA or elsewhere June 1, 2022. Candidates earning graduate credit prior to this date may elect to utilize this program. Candidates must present a GPA of at least 3.60 on all courses in the program below, with no grade below a "C". Credits used for the previous Class A support certificate may not be used for this program. Candidates admitted to this program should have Alabama Class A certification (or its equivalent) in a teaching field. Candidates with Class A certification in other supportive fields should request an evaluation of their credentials. Note: All requirements for the EdS must be completed during the 6 yrs immediately preceding the date on which the degree is to be awarded.

Curriculum and Teaching: 3 sem hrs req.

SPE 613 Consultation Processing in Special Education Programs .......................................................... 3

Foundations of Professional Studies: 3 sem hrs req. Select course from the SDE approved list of diversity courses:
*BEF 503, BEF 507, BEF 534, BEF 575, BEF 607, BEF 650, BEF 667, BEF 681

*Additional courses may be SDE approved. See Office of Student Services. ........................................ 3

Educational Research: 9 sem hrs req.

BER 540 Statistical Methods in Education .......................................................... 3
BER 631 Inquiry As Interpretation: Qual I .......................................................... 3
BER 660 Evaluation I: Evaluation Theory and Practice .......................................................... 3

Teaching Field: 15 sem hrs req.

SPE 623 Issues in Collaborative Education .......................................................... 3
SPE 624 Advanced Curriculum Workshop in SPE .......................................................... 3
SPE 616 Advanced Professional Development .......................................................... 3
SPE 617 Special Educ Leadership, Policy and Law .......................................................... 3

SPE 533 Assessing Behavior Change .......................................................... 3
OR
SPE 606 Topical Seminar: Behavior .......................................................... 3

Additional Requirements/Electives: 3-6 sem hrs req. (Approved by advisor.)

Approved Elective .......................................................... 3
*SPE 500 Intro to Exc Children & Youth .......................................................... 0-3
*If a special ed survey course was not part of the undergraduate program or another graduate program, then SPE 500 is required.

NOTES: At least 15 sem hrs of the 33 sem hr total MUST be at the 600-level. This may not be "automatic". Candidates entering the Class AA program without the prior Class A cert in collaborative or an approved area of SPE are required to take SPE 590, 591 or 592, 594, 501 or its equivalent), and 596, in addition to coursework in this program checklist. Up to 3 sem hrs of the prerequisite work may be used to meet the elective requirements in this program.

a) a practicum is required for initial certification in a special education teaching field; b) a passing score on the appropriate Praxis II content tests is required if changing areas of certification; c) a passing score on a comprehensive written exam covering the content of the curriculum is required; d) if admitted to this program, one must hold AL Class A certification before applying for Class AA certification; d) AECAP requirements

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