

Educational Specialist Degree (EdS) - Curriculum and Instruction

Admissions Requirements

- Application for Admissions (<https://admissions.stetson.edu/apply/>)
- \$50 Application fee
- Masters Degree from an institution approved by an Institutional Accrediting Agency recognized by the U.S. Department of Education with a minimum GPA of a 3.0
- Professional Resume
- Applicant Statement
- Official transcripts from all colleges and universities are required for enrollment
- Three letters of recommendation; one of the forms must be completed by the applicant's current principal/supervisor

Application materials should be sent to Stetson University:

Stetson University Office of Graduate Admissions
421 N. Woodland Blvd.
Unit 8289
DeLand, Florida 32723
Fax: 386-822-7112
Email: gradadmissions@stetson.edu

Additionally, all international applicants whose native language is not English are required to take the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) and submit a combined score of 550 or better (new scoring of 213 or better) or the Internet-based test scoring of 80 or better. Please contact the Office of Graduate Admissions for additional information.

International transcripts are required to be translated if the grading and evaluation system used differs from those used by the United States education system. Official translation and a course-by-course evaluation from all prior institutions and grade-point average computation must be provided to the Office of Graduate Admissions. Please use one of the following services for evaluation:

World Educational Services (<http://www.wes.org/>)
22 Prince St.
PMB 101
New York, NY 10012

Josef Silny & Associates (<http://www.jsilny.com/>)
7101 SW 102 Ave.
Miami, FL 33173

Program Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
EDUC 629	Affirming and Leading for Cultural Diversity in Education	3
EDUC 644	Data Management and Systems Planning	3
EDUC 647	Communication for Educational Leaders	3

EDUC 650	Seminar: Education in an Era of Challenge	3
EDUC 663	Psychology of Instruction and Discipline	3
EDUC 665	Utilizing Educational Research	3
EDUC 667	The Exceptional Child in the Regular Classroom	3
EDUC 675	Field Research I	2
EDUC 676	Field Research II	2
EDUC 677	Field research III	2
EDUC 685	Directed Study	3
Total Credits		30

Learning Outcomes

1. Knowledge of conducting research to not only improve schools, but the entire county system
2. Knowledge of current trends in education and how they have impacted the structure of education in the past, present, and future
3. Knowledge of theoretical frameworks in education that can be used to better the organization of schools and districts
4. Knowledge of effective facilitation for the development of high-impact instructional practices to improve both schools and districts

Final Degree Examination - Specialist

Scheduling for the final degree examination must be made well in advance. The final oral examination in the degree program includes a defense of the research project, work done in courses, and any other work prescribed by the Department. A candidate who fails the final degree examination may, at the discretion of the examining committee, be allowed to take a second examination. Normally, the student will be required to wait at least one term before taking a re-examination. A third examination will be allowed only in unusual circumstances and will require the approval of the Graduate Council. Final degree examinations will be given in the semester of graduation. However, summer examinations may be offered if faculty are available. Students should plan their programs to avoid summer examinations since there is a possibility that exams may not be available at that time.