The Education Specialist Degree in Curriculum and Instruction is a thirty credit program designed to meet the needs of licensed, experienced practitioners who hold a master's degree in education from an accredited college or university or a master's degree in a closely related field of study, with a cumulative grade point average of not less than 3.0. Additionally, applicants must hold a valid teaching license in their state and be employed as a teacher of record in a public or private PreK-12 school setting with a minimum of three years of teaching experience.

**Core Courses** (18 credits)
- EDUC 6101 Theories of Learning
- EDUC 6300 Educating Diverse Populations
- EDUC 6350 Dynamics of Curriculum Change
- EDUC 6370 History and Theory of Curriculum
- EDUC 6380 Curriculum Design K-12
- EDUC 5021 Issues, Mandates (and Ethics) in Special Education

**Research and Evaluation** (3 credits)
- EDUC 5413 Practitioner Action Research

**Electives** (6 credits)
- Two courses with permission of advisor

**Ed.S. Seminar** (3 credits)
- EDUC 6560 Ed.S. Seminar

Candidates undertake an in-depth study of issues pertinent to PK-12 education and develop a product to address these issues.

Candidates must complete 24 credits prior to registering for the Ed.S. Seminar.