



**College of Education
Master of Education (M.Ed.)
Autism Studies Option**

The M.Ed. in Curriculum and Instruction: Autism Studies Option is a 30-credit degree program which can be completed entirely online. This program does not lead to a teaching license in any state. Candidates who may be eligible for this program:

1. Have their Initial or professional teaching license in their state and are currently employed teachers of record in a school district.
OR
2. Complete the Behavioral Intervention in Autism (BIA) Online Certificate for BCBA Preparation (graduate) at UMass Lowell with at least a 3.0 GPA. Candidates who are in the **final semester** of the BIA program may apply and be considered for admission to the M.Ed. program prior to completing the certificate program.

Information about the Graduate Certificate can be found on the UMass Lowell Department of Psychology website

<http://www.uml.edu/Catalog/Graduate/FAHSS/Psychology/Certificate-Program.aspx#Behavioral%20Intervention%20in%20Autism>

This program does not lead to a teaching license NOR does it satisfy all requirements for BACB Certification

Core Courses **12 credits**

EDUC 6300	Educating Diverse Populations
EDUC 6350	Dynamics of Curricular Change
EDUC 6370	History and Theory of Curriculum
EDUC 6380	Curriculum Design K-12

Specialization **15 credits**

PSYC.XXXX	Autism Course Electives
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Capstone Project **3 credits**

EDUC 6501 Action Research Capstone
(This course is taken as the culminating course in the program and is offered only for licensed teachers in Fall and Spring terms)

OR

EDUC 6530 Capstone Alternative
(This course is taken as the culminating course in the program and is offered only during Trimester terms)