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.

**Foundation Courses for the Education of Diverse Populations** (9 credits)
- 01.630 Educating Diverse Populations
- 01.610 Theories of Learning
- 05.502 Issues, Mandates (and Ethics) in Special Education

**Research and Evaluation** (3 credits)
- 07.541 Practitioner Action Research

**Specialization: Curriculum and Instruction** (15 credits)
Choose 5 courses with the approval of an advisor
- 04.635 Dynamics of Curriculum Change
- 04.637 History and Theory of Curriculum
- 04.638 Curriculum Design K-12
- 04.643 The Skillful Teacher
- 04.658 The Gifted Child
- 04.576 Promoting Healthy Lifestyles
- 04.676 Exploring the Nature of Science
- 04.673 Curriculum Design for Science
Other courses as they become available

**Ed.S. Project** (3 credits)
- 04.656 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.