

**FOR EPSB PROGRAM REVIEW**  
**Eastern Kentucky University**  
**MODERATE TO SEVERE DISABILITIES (P-12)**  
**Advanced Certification Only**  
**Option 6 Available**

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 (Candidate's name) (Candidate id#)

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 (Signature of candidate / date) (Signature of advisor / date)

<b>Transfer Credit (up to 12 credit hours, if appropriate.)</b>	<b>Credit</b>		<b>Date</b>	
<b>Course Number and Title</b>	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Grade</b>	<b>Completed</b>	<b>Changes / Comments</b>

**Admission Requirements:**

- Admission to the Graduate School
- A bachelor's or master's degree with a cumulative grade point average of 2.75 on a 4.0 scale; or a grade point average of 3.0 on a 4.0 scale on the last 30 hours of credit completed, including undergraduate and graduate coursework. (16 KAR 5:020 – Section 1(3))
- Admission to the Graduate Certification Program in MSD at EKU requires an undergraduate degree and a KY Provisional – Teaching Certificate in IECE, P-5, 5-9, or High School for classroom teachers.

**Candidates who select an Option 6 Alternative Route must also meet the following admission requirements:**

- Successfully complete the Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators (CASE): Reading (156), Writing (162), Mathematics (150) exams OR Graduate Record Exam: Verbal Reasoning (150), Quantitative Reasoning (143), and Analytical Writing (4.0). Scores are good for five (5) years from the test date.
- Demonstrate critical thinking, communication, creativity, and collaboration.
- Professional Code of Ethics, Character Fitness Declaration, and Professional Dispositions
  - Candidates must review the Professional Code of Ethics for Kentucky School Certified Personnel established in 16 KAR 1:020 and sign a COE Professional Code of Ethics for Kentucky Declaration form.
  - Candidates must review the character and fitness questionnaire contained in Section III of the TC-1 (CA-1 Fall 2014) incorporated by reference in 16 KAR 2:010 and sign a COE Professional Character and Fitness Declaration form.
  - EKU College of Education requires a state criminal history background check approved by the College of Education as a condition of admission. Under certain circumstances, a national criminal history background check may be required as a condition of admission.
  - Candidates must demonstrate understanding of professional dispositions expected of professional educators.

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**Prerequisite:** Successful completion of the following or equivalent coursework: ELE 445 and MAT 201.  
**(6 hours)**

Course	Title	Date	Grade	Hours	Comments
	Specialization				
SED 826	Best Practices in Special Education			3	
SED 825	Language Disorders of Students with Disabilities			3	
SED 819	Practices and Programming in Moderate and Severe Disabilities			3	
SED 821	Technology/Strategies for MSD			3	
SED 823	Teaching Students with MSD			3	
SED 808 or OTS 715	Special Ed Early Childhood Survey Childhood Sensorimotor Development			3	
SED 845	Special Education Programs for Transition & Management			3	
SED 837	Applied Behavior Analysis			3	
SED 897	Practicum in Special Education (Must apply and register in prior term)			3	
	<b>TOTAL HOURS FOR PROGRAM</b>			<b>27</b>	

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 Department Chair

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 Date

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 College Dean

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
 Graduate Dean

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 Date

**TIME LIMIT:** This program must be completed by \_\_\_\_\_ to avoid losing course credits. Program changes must be approved using the application for a change in the planned curriculum form. Must earn a **C** or higher in all coursework and a 3.0 overall GPA.

**Option 6 Alternative Route Candidates:** In addition to meeting the above admission criteria, Option 6 candidates must provide a letter from their district indicating that they have been hired or will be hired pending processing of the TCTP. A mentoring plan will be developed once the candidate has been admitted and receipt of employment letter. Mentoring plan requires 10 hours of direct observation from a University Mentor and participation from the candidate's district through a district assigned mentor who will complete 5 hours of direct observation and support. Mentoring Plan is verified by candidate, University Mentor and District Mentor.

**Exit Requirements:**

- Program GPA - Candidates must earn an overall GPA of 3.0 or higher, with no grade lower than a C.
- Submission of completed, verified Mentoring Plan for Option 6 candidates.
- Candidates will have opportunities to demonstrate professional growth through signature assessments covering major program components.
- Successful completion of clinical practicum.

**Licensure:**

Candidates seeking MSD licensure in Kentucky must complete the appropriate PRAXIS exam. Candidates seeking licensure in another state should follow the guidelines established by the state's licensing agency.

**PRAXIS DISCLAIMER:** Kentucky educator certification requirements are subject to change. Before registering for the test(s), please check the Education Professional Standards Board website at [www.epsb.ky.gov](http://www.epsb.ky.gov) for current test requirements and current cut scores. You may also contact the Division of Professional Learning and Assessment at (502) 564-5778