Iowa State University
College of Human
Department of Curriculum and Instruction

Special Education
Master of Education
(33 credit hours)

Departmental Core [16 credit hours]
Research Course [3 credit hours]
Foundations Courses [6 credit hours] One course from two of the following areas:
- Curriculum
- Historical, Philosophical and Comparative Studies in Education
- Educational Psychology
Seminar [SpEd 615 - 1 credit hour]
Departmental Course [3 credit hours] One course in C&I outside special education
Creative Component [SpEd 599 – 3 credit hours]

Special Education Core [17 credit hours]
Foundations and Characteristics [3 credit hours]
- SpEd 510 Foundations in Mild/Moderate Disabilities (3)
- SpEd 511 Foundations of Behavioral Disorders & Learning Disabilities (3)
Assessment [3 credit hours]
- SpEd 515 Assessment of Children & Youth with Mild/Moderate Disabilities (3)
Methods [6 credit hours]
- SpEd 520 Instructional Methods for Mild/Moderate Disabilities (3)
- CI 523 Teaching Mathematics to Struggling Elementary Learners (3)
- SpEd 530 Evidence-based Practices in Behavior Disorders (3)
- SpEd 540 Evidence-based Practices in Learning Disabilities (3)
- CI 552 Corrective Reading (3)
- CI 553 Reading for Adolescents with Mild/Moderate Disabilities (3)
- CI 567 Teaching Mathematics to Struggling Secondary Learners (3)
Research in Special Education [2 credit hours]
- SpEd 517 Research in Special Education (2)
Elective [3 credit hours]
- SpEd 555 Career Education & Transition for Youth with Disabilities (2) [NOTE: This course is 2 credit hours; an additional credit is needed]
- SpEd 560 Classroom Management (3)
- SpEd 564 Collaborative Consultation (3)
- SpEd 570 Systems-level Services for Students with Significant Behavior & Learning Disabilities (3)

NOTE: Many courses have academic prerequisites. Review the ISU Bulletin (catalog) carefully.