

**Special Education: Academic Behavioral Strategist
K-12 Licensure Post-Bacc Level
Initial Teaching License**

The SPED: ABS program leading to Minnesota licensure is available to individuals who seek an initial MN teaching license, Tier 3 or 4. This program will facilitate the current needs of teachers seeking licensure or certification in the area of Special Education: Academic Behavioral Strategist (ABS). A comprehensive transcript review will verify courses needed for Minnesota licensure requirements. Fall cohort start.

Licensure Requirements

Courses	Course Title	Credit	Semester
Post-Bacc Standards of Effective Practice Certificate:			
ED 601	Foundations in Education & Lab	6 credits	F
ED 602	Curriculum and Instruction for the Culturally Responsive Teacher & Lab	6 credits	S
ED 603	Inclusive Pedagogical Theories and Practices & Lab	6 credits	Su
Reading Requirements			
ED 501	Children's Literature	2 credits	B, Su
ED 502	Early Literacy and Linguistics & Lab	3 credits	F
ED 504	Literacy Methods & Lab	3 credits	S
Special Education Content & Methods Courses			
ED 524	Elementary Math Methods & Lab	3 credits	F
SPED 530	Foundations in Mild to Moderate Disabilities	3 credits	B
SPED 540	Assessment & Educational Planning & Lab	4 credits	B
SPED 550	Curriculum Design and Implementation in Special Education	3 credits	B
SPED 560	Positive Behavior Support in Special Education	3 credits	B
SPED 570	Collaboration in Education	3 credits	B, Su
SPED 580	Procedural Safeguards in Special Education	3 credits	B
SPED 585	ASD: Issues and Needs	3 credits	B, Su
Student Teaching			
SPED 566	Student Teaching: Initial License	6 credits	Every
		57 credits	

F = Fall, S = Spring, B = Both, Su = Summer

Master's degree will require Research courses: SPED 625, 626, and 627 offered in two sequence options: Fall, Spring, Spring OR Spring, Summer, Spring

MTLE tests required for this major: Special Education Core Skills (2 subtests) and your CHOICE of Elementary or Secondary Pedagogy (2 subtests) prior to licensure. Basic skills tests in Reading, Writing, Math are not required until applying for Tier 4 licensure. More information about licensure testing information can be found on PELSB's website.