

## Resources for CSAT/SPED Majors:

•**CSAT Major Coordinator:** Dr. Regina Smith, Modern Languages and Literatures, [smithre@gvsu.edu](mailto:smithre@gvsu.edu), D-2-132 Mackinac Hall, Phone: 616 331-2961. Dept. Phone: 616-331-3203

### •What majors should I declare in myBanner for the Special Education Program?

Students seeking Special Education teacher certification at Grand Valley have two majors:

1. Comprehensive Science and Arts for Teaching (CSAT) for which you can choose either a Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) or Bachelor of Science (B.S.) degree
2. Special Education (second major only)

Note that no minor is required.

•**Blackboard:** <https://mybb.gvsu.edu/>

View announcements and events for Comprehensive Science and Arts for Teaching (CSAT/SPED) majors on Blackboard: Just choose "Comprehensive Science and Arts for Teaching Majors" from your Organizations list.

•**College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Academic Advising Center:** [www.gvsu.edu/clasadvising](http://www.gvsu.edu/clasadvising)  
C-1-140 Mackinac Hall, Phone: 616 331-8585

**Special Education Information:** <http://www.gvsu.edu/clasadvising/special-education-129.htm>

Provides academic advisors who are knowledgeable about the CSAT/SPED majors and admissions requirements for the College of Education. Call or drop in to make an appointment. The website has worksheets covering the majors, sample five year curriculum plans, information about the prerequisite sequences for requirements to help you stay on track, and a wealth of other information about all programs/majors offered in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

•**College of Education Student Information and Services Center:**  
101 Eberhard Center, Phone: 616-331-6650 or [coeserve@gvsu.edu](mailto:coeserve@gvsu.edu)

Schedule an appointment with a COE Faculty Advisor, or request information about applying to the COE.

**Special Education Information:**

<http://www.gvsu.edu/coe/undergraduate/programs.htm?id=10CAF21C-BB82-BD6E-C1A315A057431624>

•**Michigan Test for Teacher Certification:** [www.mttc.nesinc.com](http://www.mttc.nesinc.com)

Provides information about the Basic Skills Test and registration. Study guides are also available to order on-line.

NOTE: Free access to study guides and practice materials is available in the CLAS Academic Advising Center Resource Room, C-1-140 MAK Monday to Thursday from 8 am to 6pm and Friday 8 am to 5 pm.

## DECLARING THE APPROPRIATE MAJOR(S) FOR SPECIAL EDUCATION CERTIFICATION

### DECLARING THE MAJORS:

1. **To declare your majors**, enter myBanner from the GVSU homepage, log-in, select "Student", "Student Records", and then "Change Major." Click on the box labeled "Change Major 1/Program." On the next screen, click on the down-arrow in the box next to "New Major 1/Program." From the drop-down list, choose "Comprehensive Science & Arts for Teaching" selecting the BA (Bachelor of Arts) or BS (Bachelor of Science), hit "Submit", and then "Change to New Program." Return to the Change Major screen, and select "Add or Change Second Major" and choose "Special Education" from the drop down list, and then "Add Second Major."
2. No minor is required for CSAT majors
3. **Viewing the major requirements:** Once you declare your majors, you will need to enter the new myPath program from Banner to view your degree requirements. Choose "myPath" from the Student Records screen.

For more information on understanding your myPath degree evaluation, go to <http://www.gvsu.edu/registrar/> and click on "myPath FAQs" on the left side menu for instructions on how to enter myPath.

### FOR THOSE STUDENTS WHO STARTED AT GVSU BEFORE FALL 2010:

4. **Important note:** Because the new majors take effect in Fall 2010 and not before, only students whose catalog year is 2010/2011 or later will have the ability to officially declare these majors. However, students who started at GVSU before the Fall semester of 2010 have the option of changing their catalog year to 2010/2011 or later so that they can declare the majors.
5. **If you started at GVSU BEFORE Fall 2010** and need to request a change in your catalog year, email [regdept@gvsu.edu](mailto:regdept@gvsu.edu). Include all the following information:
  - a. Name
  - b. G-number
  - c. Phone number
  - d. State your request to change your catalog year and specify which catalog year you wish: Fall 2010, or any present catalog year thereafter.
  - e. State clearly that you are doing so in order to declare the CSAT and Special Education majors.

Once you get an email from the Registrar's Office confirming your change in catalog year, you will be able to declare both the CSAT and Special Education majors in myBanner as described above.