

**Planned Program: Cognitive Impairment K-12 Endorsement Program**



Name \_\_\_\_\_ G-number \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_  
 Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Advising Questions:	Do you currently hold a Michigan Standard/Professional Teaching Certificate?	Yes ___	No ___
	If not, are you currently enrolled in an initial certification program?	N/A ___	Yes ___ No ___
	Do you currently have an endorsement in Early Childhood or Special Education?	Yes ___	No ___

	Credits	Grade	Notes
<b>I. Special Education Coursework - CI candidates who DO NOT hold a special education endorsement take EDS 652, 610, &amp; 629; CI candidates who DO hold a special education endorsement choose TWO from EDS 610, 627, &amp; 629.</b>			
EDS 652 - Foundations of Special Education ( <b>Take early</b> )	3	_____	_____
EDS 610 - Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports	3	_____	_____
EDS 627 - Technology and Professional Practice	3	_____	_____
EDS 629 - Transition Practices	3	_____	_____
<b>II. Pre-teaching Coursework – Required for CI candidates who DO NOT hold a Special Education endorsement. Candidates with approved special education experiences may seek a waiver for this requirement.</b>			
EDS 550 - Pre-teaching and Methods of Teaching Special Education	3	_____	_____
<b>III. Cognitive Impairment Courses - Required for ALL CI candidates.</b>			
EDS 616 - Language and Communication Assessment and Instruction for Autism	3	_____	_____
EDS 618 - Understanding Students with Cognitive Impairment	3	_____	_____
EDS 619 - Educational Interventions for Mild Cognitive Impairment	3	_____	_____
EDS 620 - Educational Interventions for Severe Cognitive Impairment	3	_____	_____
EDS 622 - Assessment for Placement and Programming: Cognitive Impairment	3	_____	_____
<b>IV. Practicum Coursework - CI candidates who DO NOT hold a special education endorsement take 6 credits; CI candidates who DO hold a special education endorsement take 3 credits. Application Required.</b>			
EDS 685 - Cognitive Impairment Practicum	3/6	_____	_____

Students seeking special education endorsements must have a valid Michigan teacher certificate and earn a passing score on the Michigan Test for Teacher Certification – Cognitive Impairment (test 115).

**Program Requirement Notes**

- Additional information on certification requirements can be found on the College of Education and Community Innovation website: <https://www.gvsu.edu/education/apply-for-certification-208.htm>
- At least 50% of coursework must be completed before applying for practicum. Students must apply in advance for each practicum or capstone course. Advisor approval is required. Apply online at <https://www.gvsu.edu/education/grad/application-login.htm>. Application deadlines: May 15 for fall enrollment, September 15 for winter enrollment, and February 15 for spring/summer enrollment.
- Completion of this program will result in the Cognitive Impairment endorsement which can be added to a Michigan Standard/Professional teaching certificate - application required.

**Important Program Policies**

- \* Students must apply and be accepted for graduate study in the College of Education and Community Innovation. Students who have not been accepted will not be permitted to enroll in coursework beyond 6 semester hours.
- \* Students who have not enrolled for 24 consecutive months must follow the program requirements in the GVSU catalog that are in effect at the time of their re-entry.
- \* This program does not result in a master’s degree without completion of additional coursework.
- \* Students must earn a cumulative 3.0 GPA or higher on GVSU graduate coursework. If pursuing a master’s degree, a letter grade of “C” or higher is required for all courses used for degree.
- \* All candidates applying for certification must initiate the certification recommendation process by self-registering in the Michigan Online Educator Certification System (MOECS) at [www.michigan.gov/moecs](http://www.michigan.gov/moecs).

Student Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Advisor Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_