

The University of Georgia
College of Education
PROGRAM OF WORKFORCE EDUCATION
Program Description for
Specialist in Education Degree (Ed.S.)

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PURPOSE: The Ed.S. degree with emphasis in Workforce Education is a self-contained degree program beyond the master's degree but without the heavy emphasis on research of the doctoral degree. It provides advanced study for those preparing for positions which call for a higher level of competence and specialization in workforce education (often referred to as vocational and/or technical education).

PROGRAM OF STUDY: The program of study consists of a minimum of 30 semester hours of study at the graduate level beyond the master's degree. The program is planned as a logically organized whole, in light of the student's previous undergraduate and graduate courses and anticipated professional goals. There are three major areas of course work for the Ed.S. degree: workforce education core courses, research course, and electives (concentration area). Each area is described in greater detail below.

1. Workforce Education Core Courses *Minimum 9 semester hours*
All students must complete the following three courses for the Ed.S. degree:

WFED 7200 Evaluation of Programs in Workforce Education	3 sem. hrs.
WFED 8030 Organizational Behavior in Programs of Workforce Education	3 sem. hrs.
WFED 8060 Administration and Supervision of Workforce Education Programs	3 sem. hrs.

2. Research Course *Minimum 3-6 semester hours*

ERSH 6300 Applied Statistical Methods in Education	3 sem. hrs.
WFED 7650* Applied Project in Workforce Education	3 sem. hrs.

Note: Students are required to complete an applied research project unless satisfied in the masters degree.

3. Electives (Concentration Area) *Minimum 15-18 semester hours*

The remaining 15-18 hours are selected by the student and advisor based on the student's previous courses at the undergraduate and graduate level, the student's employment experience and the student's professional goals.

Note: If a student has not completed the required program core courses (12 semester hours) for the Master's degree in Workforce Education, these courses must be included on the program of study. The Program core courses are WFED 7020, WFED 7070, 7080, and WFED 7560.

SUMMARY OF PROGRAM OF STUDY

Course Work

Minimum Semester Hours

Workforce Education Core Courses
Research Course
Major Concentration Area

9 semester hours
3-6 semester hours
15-18 semester hours
TOTAL 30 semester hours

COMPREHENSIVE EXAMINATION

All candidates for the Ed.S. degree must pass a final comprehensive examination administered by the Program of Workforce Education faculty.