



# Rivier

## UNIVERSITY

### M.Ed.

Master of Education in  
Special Education

## Elevate the educational experience for all students

Begin making a difference in students' lives.

Rivier's Special Education program prepares you to work directly with students in general special education and those with specific learning disabilities, or emotional and behavioral disorders.

Combining classroom and field-based experiences to connect coursework with practical, school-based applications, our Special Education program provides you with opportunities to develop the professional knowledge, skills, and disposition necessary to effectively educate and accommodate students with special needs.

In addition to the initial licensure in general special education, you can acquire specialized knowledge in the area of autism; an endorsement in the area of emotional and behavioral disabilities; and/or an endorsement in the area of specific learning disabilities.

### Available Facilities & Resources

Rivier University's Benoit Education Center houses the Cho Educational Resource Center, an extensive K-12 curriculum library. The Center includes recently published textbooks, educational software, a parenting resource center, and a children's literature collection. Rivier is a statewide leader in preparing teachers to incorporate technology into their classrooms.

### Choose Rivier

Rivier's M.Ed. programs provide real-world assignments and hands-on experience in the field to help you put theory into practice and develop your skills. Courses are offered in 7-week and 14-week terms for added flexibility to accommodate your busy schedule and learning preferences.



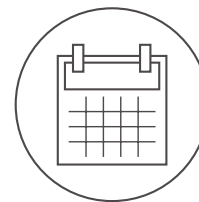
### Course Format

On campus



### Total Program Credits

39 - 48



### Estimated Program Length

2 years

## Course of Study

### Required Courses

#### Foundation Courses

ED 501 - Fundamentals of Research  
ED 505 - Advanced Psychology of Human Development  
ED 536 - Instruction for Exceptional Students  
ED 537 - Curriculum Methods and Assessment  
ED 626 - Positive Psychology

#### General Pedagogy Core Courses

ED 539 - Information Processing and Cognition  
ED 543 - Socialization Development and Behavior  
ED 588 - Disability Law and Policy  
ED 589 - Communication and Developmental Delays  
ED 598 - Curriculum for Inclusive Education

#### Specific Pedagogy Courses

*Students take one, two or three courses based on their professional interests and goals.*

ED 530 - Assessment of Learning and Reading Disabilities  
ED 534 - Assessment of Emotional and Behavioral Disabilities  
ED 597 - ABA I: Assessment and Monitoring of ASD

#### Internship/Seminar

*Students take Capstone Project or one or more of the following internships based on their professional interests and goals.*

ED 671 - Capstone Project  
ED 690 - Internship/Seminar: Initial Certification  
ED 694 - Internship Seminar: Professional Endorsement I  
ED 696 - Internship Seminar: Professional Endorsement II

#### Licensure

Students seeking teacher licensure must apply to the Professional Educator Program (PEPP) after successfully completing 12 credits, receiving positive Professional Disposition reports from a cooperating practitioner and a professor, and maintaining a minimum 3.0 GPA.

#### Accreditation

Rivier University is accredited by the New England Commission of Higher Education, Inc. (NECHE). Education programs are approved by the N.H. Department of Education, Division of Higher Education, Higher Education Commission.

## How to Apply

1. **Apply online** at [rivier.edu/apply](http://rivier.edu/apply). There is no application fee.
2. **Review and complete the application process** at [rivier.edu/gradadmissions](http://rivier.edu/gradadmissions).
3. **Have questions?** For personal support, contact us at (603) 897-8507 or email [admissions@rivier.edu](mailto:admissions@rivier.edu).

## M.Ed.

### Program Start Dates

Six term starts per year allow you to begin your program in September, October, January, March, May, or July. Completed applications are reviewed as they are received throughout the year.

# 7 & 14

Week terms

Six terms per year

# 88

Years of educational excellence

# 24,000+

Strong alumni network

## Quick Links

**Ask a Question** – [admissions@rivier.edu](mailto:admissions@rivier.edu)

**Speak with an Enrollment Counselor** – [rivier.edu/team](http://rivier.edu/team)

**Attend an Info Session** – [events.rivier.edu](http://events.rivier.edu)

**Tuition & Fees** – [rivier.edu/tuition](http://rivier.edu/tuition)

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**Twitter** – [twitter.com/rivuniversity](https://twitter.com/rivuniversity)

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