

**UNC CHARLOTTE**  
**PH.D. IN SPECIAL EDUCATION COURSEWORK**  
**59 Credits**

**DOCTORAL SEMINARS IN SPECIAL EDUCATION RESEARCH**  
**(14 CREDITS)**

- SPED 8671 Doctoral Seminar in Research in Special Education (3)
- SPED 8672 Doctoral Seminar in Leadership in Special Education (3)
- SPED 8673 Doctoral Seminar in Collaboration and Diversity in Special Education (3)
- SPED 8674 Doctoral Seminar in Teaching in Special Education (3)
- SPED 8699 Dissertation Proposal Seminar in Special Education (2)

**RESEARCH AND PRACTICE IN SPECIAL EDUCATION**  
**(12 CREDITS)**

- SPED 8471 Professional Writing in Special Education (2)
- SPED 8472 Research Implementation in Special Education (2)
- SPED 8473 Grant Writing in Special Education (2)
- SPED 8474 Supervision of Student Teachers in Special Education (3)
- SPED 8475 College Teaching in Special Education (3)

**RESEARCH**  
**(15 CREDITS)**

- RSCH 8110 Descriptive and Inferential Statistics (3)
- RSCH 8113 Single-Case Research (3)
- RSCH 8120 Advanced Statistics (3)

Select 2:

- RSCH 6130 Presentation and Computer Analysis of Data (3)
- RSCH 8140 Multivariate Statistics (3)
- RSCH 8211 Qualitative Research Methods in Education (3)
- RSCH 8212 Survey Research Methods in Education (3)
- RSCH 8296 Program Evaluation Research Methods in Education (3)
- SPED 8800 Independent Study in Special Education (3)

**SPECIALTY  
(15 CREDITS)**

- An individually designed specialty of graduate courses developed by student and advisor and approved by the Special Education doctoral committee. This specialty will typically be related to the student's major area of expertise. It is strongly recommended that this specialty include coteaching in one or more licensure courses. **Additional coursework will be required for students who do not have teacher licensure in special education or who wish to obtain Curriculum and Supervision licensure.**

**EXAMPLES OF SPED PH.D. SPECIALTIES**

The following are examples of how doctoral students can combine courses that exist within UNC Charlotte to create a specialty.

**Specialty in College Teaching in Mild Disabilities**

SPED 8475	College Teaching in Special Education	Coteach SPED 5270	Classroom Management
SPED 8475	College Teaching in Special Education	Coteach SPED 5275	Teaching Reading to Learners with Special Needs
SPED 8475	College Teaching in Special Education	Coteach SPED 5272	Teaching Mathematics to Learners with Special Needs
SPED 8675	Special Education Doctoral Seminar in Applied Behavior Analysis		
SPED 8800	Independent Study in Special Education		

**Specialty in College Teaching for Moderate and Severe Disabilities**

SPED 8475	College Teaching in Special Education	Coteach SPED 5273	Life Skills
SPED 8475	College Teaching in Special Education	Coteach SPED 5274	General Curriculum Access and Adaptations
OR			
SPED 8475	College Teaching in Special Education	SPED 5316	Transition Planning and Service Delivery
SPED 8475	College Teaching in Special Education	SPED 5271	Systematic Instruction in the Adapted Curriculum

- SPED 8675 Special Education  
Doctoral Seminar in  
Applied Behavior  
Analysis
- SPED 8800 Independent Study in  
Special Education

**DISSERTATION**  
**(3 CREDITS)**

- SPED 8999 Dissertation Credits  
(3 or more credits)