

B.A. IN SPECIAL EDUCATION K-12 ACADEMIC BEHAVIORAL STRATEGIST

The Academic Behavioral Strategist (ABS) teaching program (<https://www.bethel.edu/undergrad/academics/education/majors-minors/special-education>) is designed to prepare teachers for teaching in a K-12, mild-moderate special education setting. The program is developed to give ABS teachers a solid foundation in the liberal arts, knowledge and understanding of human development and learning processes for students with exceptionalities, methods of teaching students with mild-moderate disabilities in the areas of academic and behavior, and required due process procedures related to special education.

NOTE: With the exception of January Session, the add, drop, and withdrawal deadlines for the B.A. in Special Education K-12 Academic Behavioral Strategist program (<https://www.bethel.edu/undergrad/academics/education/majors-minors/special-education>) follows the online undergraduate calendar dates (<https://catalog.bethel.edu/academic-calendar/>) published in the catalog.

Code	Title	Credits
Major in K-12 Special Education: Academic Behavioral Strategist (B.A.)		
EDU 200 & EDU 201	Introduction to Education and Introduction to Education Field Experience	4
EDU 203	School Health and Drugs	2
EDU 220	Introduction to Middle Level Education	3
EDU 276 & EDU 241	Educational Psychology and Educational Psychology Field Experience ¹	5
EDU 317GZ	Educational Equity	4
EDU 320 & EDU 321	Pedagogy and the Young Adolescent Learner and Integrated Literacy in the Content Areas	3
SPD 205	Introduction to Special Education	2
SPD 209	Introduction to Academic and Behavior Support	4
SPD 301	Characteristics of Students with Mild-Moderate Disabilities (and Field Experience)	4
SPD 310	Norm-Referenced Assessment	4
SPD 318	Foundations of Instructional Strategies for Students with Mild-Moderate Disabilities	4
SPD 322	Teaching Reading (and Field Experience)	4
SPD 332	Responsive Intervention and Assessment	4
SPD 342	Introduction to Student Mental Health and Systems Comprehensive of Support	4
SPD 354	Classroom-Based Assessment	2
SPD 370	Assessment Field Experience	1
SPD 374	Consultation and Collaboration in Programming for Students with Disabilities	4
SPD 480 & EDU 495	Student Teaching - Academic Behavioral Strategist and Student Teaching Seminar. K-12 and 5-12 Education Students ²	14
Select one of the following courses:		4
MAT 101M	Mathematics for the 21st Century	
MAT 201M	Mathematics for Elementary Education 1	

Select two of the following: 4

NAS 101D	Science Concepts - Life Sciences
NAS 102D	Science Concepts - Earth/Space Science
NAS 103D	Science Concepts - Chemistry
NAS 104D	Science Concepts - Physics

Code	Title	Credits
Major		80
General Education		36-44
Electives		0-6
Total Credits		122-124

¹ EDU 272 (must be taken concurrently) is a prerequisite for EDU 276.

² EDU 408, EDU 412, EDU 418, or EDU 433 is a prerequisite for EDU 495.

* Courses whose number is followed by a number fulfill a General Education requirement. Students may not declare a B.A. in Special Education K-12 Academic Behavioral Strategist and a B.A. in Elementary and Special Education Integrated Major. Students may not declare a B.A. in Special Education K-12 Academic Behavioral Strategist and Minor in Special Education.