

# 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 College of Adult and Professional Studies calendar (<https://catalog.bethel.edu/adult-professional-studies/academic-calendar/>) published in the catalog.

Code	Title	Credits
<b>Major in K-12 Special Education: Academic Behavioral Strategist (B.A.)</b>		
EDU 200	Introduction to Education	3
EDU 201	Introduction to Education Field Experience	1
EDU 203	School Health and Drugs	2
EDU 220	Introduction to Middle Level Education	3
EDU 240	Educational Psychology	3
EDU 241	Educational Psychology Field Experience	1
EDU 317GZ	Educational Equity	4
EDU 320	Pedagogy and the Young Adolescent Learner	1
EDU 321	Integrated Literacy in the Content Areas	1
SPD 205	Introduction to Special Education	2
SPD 208	Introduction to Academic and Behavior Management for the Exceptional Learner	3
SPD 220	Reading Foundation	3
SPD 221	Reading Field Experience	1
SPD 300	Characteristics of Mild-Moderate Disabilities	3
SPD 310	Norm-Referenced Assessment	4
SPD 318	Foundations of Instructional Strategies for Students with Mild-Moderate Disabilities	4
SPD 325	Special Education Planning and Programming	3
SPD 331	Responsive Instruction, Intervention, and Assessment	3
SPD 341	Introduction to Behavioral Methods & Mental Health for Mild to Moderate Special Needs	3
SPD 355	Classroom-Based Assessment	3
SPD 370	Assessment Field Experience	1
SPD 373	Academic Behavioral Strategist Field Experience	1
SPD 375	Consultation, Collaboration, & Resources	3
SPD 480	Student Teaching - Academic Behavioral Strategist	14
Select one of the following:		3

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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	
<b>Code</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Credits</b>
Major		77
General Education		37-38
Electives		7-8
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>122</b>

Courses whose number is followed by a letter fulfill a General Education requirement.