

# VISUAL IMPAIRMENTS LICENSURE, PK-12 GRADUATE CERTIFICATE

**Banner Code:** E1-CERG-VILI

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EDSE 663	Collaborative Teamwork to Support Students with Significant Disabilities	3
EDSE 785	Internship: Visual Impairment (must complete six credits)	2-6
<b>Total Credits</b>		<b>34</b>

This certificate is designed for students seeking Virginia initial teacher licensure in visual impairments (PK–12).

This graduate certificate may be pursued on a part-time or full-time basis.

## Admissions & Policies

### Policies

Students must complete EDSE 501 Introduction to Special Education either prior to admission to the certificate or in their first semester. Students who have completed graduate or undergraduate coursework in a university program prior to admission to the certificate may request that some courses be waived based on the content in prior coursework. Students waiving coursework must complete a minimum of 15 credits to be eligible for the certificate.

For policies governing all graduate certificates, see AP.6.8 Requirements for Graduate Certificates.

## Requirements

### Certificate Requirements

Total credits: 34

Students enrolled in this certificate must earn a B- or higher in all coursework.

### Coursework

EDAT 522	Assistive Technology for Individuals with Sensory Impairments	3
EDSE 511	Characteristics of Students with Visual Impairments	2
EDSE 512	Braille Code	3
EDSE 513	Medical and Educational Implications of Visual Impairments	3
EDSE 514	Orientation and Mobility for Students with Visual Impairments	2
EDSE 518	Curriculum and Assessment of Students with Visual Impairments	3
EDSE 532	Positive Behavior Supports	3
EDSE 613	Teaching Methods for Students with Visual Impairments	3
EDSE 616	Braille Reading and Writing	3