

Add-On Endorsement Gifted Education

Inspire. Advocate. Excel.

with Longwood's Gifted Add-On Endorsement Courses

Fully online and asynchronous for flexibility

Start the 12 credit coursework any time 8-week courses with two offered per semester

Complete in less than 12 months

Discounted tuition rate





APPLY ANY TIME - FALL, SPRING, OR SUMMER!

Why Pursue the Gifted Add-On Endorsement?

AT A GLANCE

Inspire, advocate, and help your gifted students excel.

Are you a licensed teacher in Virginia looking for a pathway to teach gifted students or simply better ways to support your gifted students?

Acquire the skills and expertise necessary to teach and support students with diverse learning needs through Longwood University's online Gifted Education Add-On Endorsement coursework. Our courses are fully online and asynchronous, allowing busy teachers the opportunity to work when their schedules permit. Teachers with a bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university and a valid Virginia teaching license are eligible to apply for this coursework.

Coursework

Enhance your knowledge and skills in gifted student assessment, identification, instruction, and support through our gifted education courses. To apply for a Gifted Education Add-On Endorsement, the Virginia Department of Education Licensure Regulations for School Personnel (8VAC20-23-370) specify a requirement of 12 semester hours of graduate-level coursework across specific topic areas in gifted education. That's just four courses to meet the coursework requirement for the endorsement!

Additional Requirements

In addition to the coursework, your school will need to verify to the VDOE that you have completed one year of successful, full-time teaching experience with gifted students in a public or an accredited nonpublic school with an assigned teacher-mentor holding a valid license with an endorsement in gifted education. Longwood does not offer a practicum.

COURSE OFFERINGS (12 Credits)

CORE

PEDU 561 Introduction to Giftedness (3)

PEDU 563 Instructional Models and Strategies for Gifted and Talented

Learners (3)

PEDU 562 Social and Emotional Development of Gifted Learners (3)

ELECTIVE - CHOOSE ONE

PEDU 567 Underrepresented Populations of Gifted Learners (3)

PEDU 564 Assessment and Evaluation of Gifted Learners (3)

PEDU 566 Differentiation of Instructional Models and Strategies (3)

VDOE requires 3 core courses (9 credits) and 1 elective (3 credits) for a total of 12 credits.



ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Official bachelor's degree transcript from a regionally accredited college or university
- Valid Virginia Teaching License

WHAT YOU'LL GAIN

- Knowledge of gifted learner traits and characteristics
- Strategies for implementing gifted instruction in the regular classroom
- Assessment strategies targeted for gifted students
- Instructional differentiation for gifted students
- Knowledge of social and emotional development of gifted learners
- Advocacy and support for gifted students and their families

TUITION AND FEES

Based on current tuition rates, tuition costs \$295* per credit for Virginia residents and \$365* per credit for non-Virginia residents. This includes all fees except for a one-time application fee. All courses are three credits. The University offers a monthly payment plan option for fall and spring.

For more information, contact Longwood Professional Studies at professional studies@longwood.edu.

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