Online M.Ed. in Special Education

Clemson University's online Master of Education in Special Education is for individuals who work in educational settings. The M.Ed. combines the educational excellence that Clemson is known for with the flexibility that many educators need. The program enables students to earn an advanced degree in special education with an emphasis in multi-tiered systems of support (MTSS) in academics and behavior.

New cohorts begin every fall. The GRE is not required for admission if you earned a 3.0 in the last degree earned. South Carolina teachers and leaders receive a 10% reduction in tuition.

The Association for Behavior Analysis International (ABAI) has verified courses in this program toward the coursework requirements for eligibility to take the Board Certified Behavior Analyst[®] or Board Certified Assistant Behavior Analyst[®] examination. Applicants will need to meet additional requirements before they can be deemed eligible to take the examination.

Program Format

Our online M.Ed. offers convenience and flexibility with the same high-quality learning experience associated with Clemson's face-to-face programs. The M.Ed. in Special Education is a 24-month program spanning six semesters. Fall and spring courses last seven and a half weeks each, allowing students to focus on one course at a time. Likewise, summer courses are also taught one at a time but in a five-week timeframe.



What Do M.Ed Graduates Gain?

Graduates gain the acquisition of in-depth knowledge about data-based decision making in special education to transform instruction and integrate positive behavior supports. Graduates can increase their salary and career options, including becoming a MTSS coordinator, behavior specialist, or special education coordinator.

Application Deadlines

Priority deadline: April 15, 2026 Final deadline: July 1, 2026

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Special Note

The M.Ed. in Special Education does not lead to teaching licensure in South Carolina.

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