Lehman College
School of Education
Advising Worksheet

PROGRAM/CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS
Department of Counseling, Leadership, Literacy and Special Education

Student ________________________________     ID#    ______________________________

Program:  M.S. Ed. 36 Credit Program in Childhood Special Education
(Students with Disabilities (Grades 1 – 6)

Steps in the Program

Decision Point 1: Admission to Program

• Applicants must submit the following:

1. A bachelor’s degree from an accredited college or university.
2. A minimum undergraduate grade average of 3.0.
3. An Initial or Professional New York State Certificate in teaching at the Early Childhood or Childhood level.
4. A Special Education concentration at the same developmental level as earned Initial/Professional NYS Teaching Certificate.
5. An essay outlining career goals.
6. A graded scholarly paper from either an undergraduate course or a graduate course of study previously completed.
7. Two letters of recommendation.
8. Evidence of having taken the Graduate Record Examination.
9. Successful participation in an interview.

Decision Point 2: Enrollment for Student in the Special Education Sequences of Study

Applicants must:

1. Meet the following GPA requirements.

• An earned GPA of 3.0 higher through the first 18 credits of graduate study.
• If conditions were placed on the initial matriculation involving additional course work, all conditions must be met on or before the completion of the 18 credits. In order to register for course work beyond 18 graduate credits, the student may be required to provide a 15 to 30 minute videotape of a lesson with a whole class as part of a performance evaluation. Students will receive appropriate feedback and concrete suggestions for improvement, where needed. Each student may be required to integrate feedback and demonstrate improvement on a second videotape to be presented prior to graduation.
• Students must take and submit grades earned on the Special Education Content Specialty Test and the Educating All Students examination.

2. Have met with an advisor to make sure all prerequisites have been fulfilled.

Note: Candidates who apply for certification on or after May 1, 2014, will be required to take the edTPA (Teacher Performance Assessments), Educating All Students Test, and Revised Content Specialty Test, Assessments of Teaching Skills-Written (ATS-W), and Content Specialty Test (Students with Disabilities). Please
Decision Point 3: Exit Requirements

- Applicants must submit the following:
  
  Complete a minimum of 36 graduate credits of study in an approved Special Education
  Maintain a minimum GPA of 3.0 throughout the 36-credit concentration.

Meet all liberal arts and sciences requirements:

New York State certification requires specific credits in each of the following subjects: Social Studies, English, Math and Science. Make an appointment with Ms. Vanessa Jones, Carman Hall – Room B33 to see if your courses in your Bachelors degree meet these requirements.

Complete the following mandated workshops offered by the Lehman College Office of Continuing Education.

For additional information contact 718 960-8512.

- Child Abuse
- School Violence
- Autism (Only candidates who are applying for certification in Speech and Language Disabilities and Students with Disabilities)

All applicants must create a NYSED TEACH account to apply for certification. Visit the NYSED at http://www.highered.nysed.gov/tcert/teach/ for more information.

For questions and assistance with certification, contact the Teacher Certification Office at (719) 960-8401.

Graduate Courses: Degree Requirements

See Program Plan (attached)

I have met with this candidate to discuss program/certification requirements:

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Program Coordinator
Certification Officer
Other

I have been advised about the courses that I need to complete my program and certification.
Candidate

Date: ______________________

Cc: Candidate
   Department
   Office of the Dean, School of Education
LEHMAN COLLEGE-SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

CHILDHOOD SPECIAL EDUCATION

Name _____________________________                ID _____________________________

Address _____________________________________________

Telephone # _______ Home______________ Cell _____________________________

Email ________________________________________________

Matriculation Date ___________________________ Graduation Date ___________________________

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CHILDHOOD SPECIAL EDUCATION _____ 36 credits*

*For candidates already certified in Childhood

Semester 1- Fall Year 1
EDS 701: Understanding Individuals with Disabilities (3 credits)
EDS 707: The Childhood Student with Disabilities (3 Credits)

Semester 2- Spring Year 1
EDS 743: Behavioral Assessment, Management and Change (3 Credits)
EDS 708: Practicum in Behavioral Assessment and Management of Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Childhood Students with Special Needs (3 Credits)

Semester 3- Fall Year 2
EDS 709: Curriculum and Instructional Practices for Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Childhood Students with Special Needs (3 Credits)
EDS 710: Practicum in Curriculum and Instructional Practices for Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Childhood Students with Special Needs (3 Credits)

Semester 4-Spring Year 2
EDS 741: Psycho-educational Evaluation of Children with Learning Problems (3 Credits)
EDS 706: Practicum in Assessment of Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Childhood Students with Special Needs (3 Credits)

Semesters 5 and 6- Fall and Spring Year 3 (Sequence to be determined in consultation with advisor)
EDS 715: Research in Special Education (3 Credits)
EDS 718: Culminating Master’s Project (3 Credits)

EDS 719: Student Teaching of Diverse Learners with Disabilities in Specialized Settings (3 Credits)
EDS 720: Student Teaching Seminar (3 Credits)