

# Inspire. Advocate. Excel.

*Take what you need, when you need it*  
**with Longwood's Gifted Add-On Endorsement Courses**

Fully online and asynchronous for flexibility

Start the 12 credit endorsement anytime

8-week courses with two offered per semester

Complete in one year (2 semesters)

Discounted tuition rate



**APPLY ANYTIME - FALL, SPRING, OR SUMMER!**

Contact us for applicable deadlines. Questions? Email us at [professionalstudies@longwood.edu](mailto:professionalstudies@longwood.edu).

# Why Pursue the Gifted Add-On Endorsement?

## AT A GLANCE

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### Inspire, advocate, and help your gifted students excel.

Are you a licensed K-12 teacher in Virginia looking for a pathway into gifted education or simply better ways to support the gifted students with whom you work? Do you teach or hope to teach in a Governor's School?

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. Enhance your knowledge and skills in gifted student identification, assessment, instruction and support.

### Adding a Gifted Education Endorsement

Completion of the Gifted Education Add-on Endorsement provides licensed teachers in Virginia the valuable VDOE endorsement credentials for their license and to build their resumes. The Gifted Education Add-on Endorsement courses through Longwood include the 3 courses required by VDOE standards as well as options for the elective requirement. The courses are all fully online and asynchronous, allowing busy teachers the opportunity to work when their schedules allow. A provisional Gifted Education license is not required to begin the courses.

Teachers holding an official bachelor's degree from an institution that is accredited by the appropriate institutional (formerly regional) accreditation agency and a valid Virginia professional teaching license (or an equivalent from another state) are eligible to earn this endorsement through the Virginia Department of Education upon successful completion of the coursework. In addition to the coursework, the VDOE requirements state that in lieu of a practicum, one year successful full-time teaching experience with gifted students in a public or an accredited nonpublic school may be accepted, provided the teacher is assigned to a mentor holding a valid license with an endorsement in gifted education.

## COURSE SEQUENCE (12 Credits)

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### FALL

**PEDU 561** *Introduction to Giftedness\** (3)

**PEDU 563** *Instructional Models and Strategies for Gifted and Talented Learners\** (3)

### SPRING

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

**PEDU 567** *Underrepresented Populations of Gifted Learners\*\** (3)

### SUMMER

**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

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- Official bachelor's degree transcript from a regionally accredited college or university
- Valid Virginia K-12 Professional License in General Education

## WHAT YOU'LL GAIN

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- 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

## VIRGINIA ENDORSEMENT

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*This qualifies for the Commonwealth of Virginia Endorsement credentials as outlined by the Virginia Department of Education.*

## TUITION AND FEES

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Longwood offers an outstanding and affordable education. Tuition costs \$285\* per credit for Virginia residents and \$355\* per credit for non-Virginia residents, plus a one-time application fee. The University offers a monthly payment plan option.

For more information, contact Longwood Professional Studies at [professionalstudies@longwood.edu](mailto:professionalstudies@longwood.edu).

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