### SPECIAL EDUCATION MAJOR MAP 2024

#### GETTING STARTED
- **YOUR COURSE JOURNEY**
  - Explore the major through Educ 205 field experience
  - Attend a teaching intent meeting
  - Attend a graduation plan meeting
  - Decide what you want to do with your elective credits
  - Maintain overall GPA of 2.60 (required to apply to Professional Education Program)

- **KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS**
  - Take relevant General Education Program (GEP) courses
  - Earn grade of B- or better in ENGL 101 or 150
  - Ask for help from the Tutoring, Learning Center (TLC) and your professors if you wish to improve in your courses
  - Apply for scholarships to support your educational career funding

- **ACT LOCALLY AND GLOBALLY**
  - Join a student organization to connect with others
  - Look into study abroad programs

- **CAREER READINESS**
  - Look into campus jobs using Quest
  - Seek out volunteer and job opportunities working with children (YMCA, Boys and Girls Club, etc.)
  - Reflect on School of Education "disposition" expectations in the SOE Advising Guide at the end of every semester
  - Create a college resume

#### MAKING PROGRESS
- **YOUR COURSE JOURNEY**
  - Apply to Professional Education Program (PEP) after 24 credits are earned
  - Meet with your adviser to review your graduation plan

- **KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS**
  - Maintain 2.75 or higher GPA–Overall, teaching majors and minors
  - Follow graduation plan

- **ACT LOCALLY AND GLOBALLY**
  - Check out Campus Activities and Student Engagement (CASE) on the UWSP website for ways to get involved on campus

- **CAREER READINESS**
  - Consider becoming a substitute to gain on the job experience (must be 20 years of age and achieve junior status)
  - Admission to Professional Education Program
  - Seek out volunteer and job opportunities working with children
  - Research respite programs and how you can apply to work with children who have exceptionalities

#### PREPARING FOR WHAT’S NEXT
- **YOUR COURSE JOURNEY**
  - Attend a student teaching meeting
  - Apply to student teach

- **KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS**
  - Schedule Praxis 5146: Middle School: Content Knowledge if GPA is below 3.00
  - Join study sessions for FoRT

- **ACT LOCALLY AND GLOBALLY**
  - Continue membership in student organizations in major field

- **CAREER READINESS**
  - Apply for substitute license
  - Meet with a Career Coach about resume building and interview tips
  - Continue to seek out volunteer and job opportunities working with children
  - Talk with your adviser about networking or work experience opportunities

#### AVAILABLE ONLINE
- **Major Map documents** are available online with additional information!

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The staff and faculty at the University of Wisconsin Stevens Point want to help you craft your personal journey. Use this map as a jumping off point for conversations about your goals.