

ALEC Master's Degree Options & Course Requirements

	Option A Thesis	Option B Non – Thesis	Option B Non-Thesis Teaching & Extension Specialization
Courses Required (10 – 12 credits)		ALEC 801 ALEC 805 ALEC 845 ALEC 891 (1 credit hour)	ALEC 801 or 802 ALEC 805 ALEC 804 891 ALEC 845
Electives / Minor (8 – 14 credits)	8 hours (depends on professional goals in consultation with advisor) Minor* requires at least 9 hrs	8-14 hours (depends on professional goals in consultation with advisor) Minor* requires at least 9 hours	9-12 hours (depends on professional goals in consultation with advisor and in consultation of the TE&E Specialization requirements: https://alec.unl.edu/home/ms-leadership-education
Research Courses (3 – 6 credits)	6 Hours Excludes EDPS 859	6 hours (may include EDPS 859 depending on professional goals)	3-6 hours (may include EDPS 859, ALEC 826, and/or others depending on professional goals)
Thesis	6 Hours – ALEC 899	Not Available	Not Available
Research Project	No additional research project required in addition to the thesis	Optional – up to 6 hours of ALEC 996 research project in consultation with your advisor	Optional – up to 6 hours of ALEC 996 research project in consultation with your advisor
Final Oral /Written Exam**	Generally Oral Exam	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Without research project: Generally Written exam • With research project: Generally Oral Exam 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Without research project: Generally Written Exam • With research project: Generally Oral Exam
Minimum Credit Hours***	30	30	30

*Adding a minor to a program may require more than 30 hours. A final written minor exam is required if the student earns less than a B in any minor course.

**Advisor will determine if written oral exam is required.

***Depending on career goals, individual student programs may require more hours.

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