Course Title	Master Thesis in Special and Inclusive Education
Course Code	EDI685
Course Type	Elective
Level	Master (2 <sup>nd</sup> cycle)
Year / Semester	2 <sup>nd</sup> / 3 <sup>rd</sup>
Teacher's Name	TBA
ECTS	30 Lectures / N/A Laboratories/ N/A week N/A
Course Purpose and Objectives	The aim of the course is to provide students with the opportunity to extend their research knowledge and skills in a particular area and a particular research subject in Special and Inclusive Education. In addition the aim of the course is students to conduct an educational research study under academic supervision and guidance in order to identify specific research questions, design the research methodology of their study, implement the research by collecting and analysing data, and finally write and defend their research thesis.
Learning Outcomes	<ul> <li>Upon completion of the course, students are expected to be able to: <ul> <li>Study and critically analyse scientific literature on their research subject</li> <li>Form specific educational research questions</li> <li>Design educational research methodology for investigating their research questions</li> <li>Design and implement research data collection tools</li> <li>Analyse research data by applying appropriate methods</li> <li>Present and discuss research findings as these result from their data analysis and draw particular conclusions and suggestions based on findings</li> <li>Organise and compose the scientific text presenting their research study (writing up a thesis)</li> <li>Defend and document their research choices and the findings of their study.</li> </ul> </li> </ul>
Prerequisites	EDU600 and EDI600 and Co-requisites none EDI602
Course Content	<ul> <li>The content of the course contains:</li> <li>Selection of the subject in the scientific area and concentration of the field of Education Sciences according to students' interests.</li> <li>Study and critical analysis of relevant literature</li> <li>Definition of the theoretical framework of the research study</li> <li>Selection of the appropriate research approach and the type of research to be conducted</li> <li>Design of the research methodology and the data collection ools</li> <li>Implementation of the data collection tools and method</li> <li>Data analysis and presentation of the findings</li> <li>Discussion of research findings based on relevant literature and the impact on the field</li> <li>Composition of the scientific text for the presentation of the research process, findings and conclusions</li> </ul>

	Presentation and defence of the research thesis to the evaluation committee  The process of the research study and the composition of the thesis is supervised by a single or a team of academic supervisors
Teaching Methodology	Individual study and supervision
Bibliography	«Master's Thesis Guide» and references to scientific literature:
	Boyle Single, P. (2009) Demystifying dissertation writing: A streamlined process from choice of topic to final text. Stylus Publishing. ISBN-13: 978-1579223137
	Miller, A.B. (2009) Finish your dissertation once and for all!: How to overcome psychological barriers, get results and move on with your life. ISBN-13: 978-1433804151
	Damaskinides, G. & Christodoulou, A. (2014). The research proposal in postgraduate and doctoral research. Athens: Epikentro (in Greek)
Assessment	Master Thesis 85% Presentation and Thesis Defence 15%
Language	English