Transition Point 1: For admission to a program of study, candidates undergo a screening process that includes:

- Completion of a Graduate School application
- Earned a Master’s degree from an accredited institution
- Have a graduate cumulative minimum GPA of 3.0
- Receive passing scores on the Graduate Record Exam or the Miller Analogies Test
- Hold a Minnesota teaching license
- Letters of Recommendation

Transition Point 2: To move to advanced level clinical experience, candidates must:

- Successfully complete coursework as approved by the advisor on Plan of Study
- Earn a grade of at least a “B” in each course or a GPA of at least 3.0 in all courses
- Gain approval of the advisor and district-based supervisor for the KSP 660 Practicum project

Transition Point 3: Candidates must successfully complete their clinical experiences to move to the stage of program completion.

- Assessment by the candidate, university advisor, and district supervisor
- Earn at least a satisfactory evaluation for the practicum project

Transition Point 4: All advanced candidates must demonstrate content, professional and pedagogical (where applicable) knowledge and skills included in the curriculum for their field of study.

- Research coursework
- Practicum project
- Completion of all coursework with a GPA of at least a 3.0
- Thesis
- Oral Defense of the Thesis
- Completion of all degree requirements
- Receive approval from the departmental graduate coordinator