

ELEMENTARY EDUCATION, MASTER OF ARTS (M.A.ED.)

General Information

The curriculum is designed to help teachers certified to teach in elementary schools improve their professional skills, extend their knowledge of the subjects they teach, and increase their understanding of the intellectual, philosophical, sociological, psychological, and cultural foundations of effective education in order to serve as instructional leaders, teacher mentors, literacy or math coaches, instructional facilitators, department chairs and/or team leaders. Candidates will be eligible to apply for the Gifted and Talented, English as a Second Language, Literacy Specialist, or Teacher Leader Endorsement upon completion of this program.

Admission Requirements

All candidates must meet the admissions requirements of the Graduate School. In addition, candidates must have earned an overall 3.0 undergraduate GPA or a 3.0 in the last 30 hours completed.

In addition, the following are required for admission to the program:

- MAED Option A: Advanced study requires a valid teaching license in initial elementary education. With this option, candidates will be eligible to apply for the Teacher Leader Endorsement upon completion of this program.
- MAED Option B: Candidates entering this non-teaching option must hold a bachelor's degree in education or related human services discipline from an accredited institution. Prerequisite coursework (completed or equivalent): EDF 203 Educational Foundations, EDF 219 Human Development and Learning, and EDF 413 Assessment in Education.

Program Requirements

CIP Code: 13.1201

Code	Title	Hours
Core Courses		
ETL 800	Leadership Skills for Teachers	3
ETL 801	Leading Achievement Change	3
ETL 803	Curriculum for Teacher Leaders	3
ETL 805	Research Methods for Education Professionals	3
ETL 806	Teacher Leader Capstone	1
EDF 804	Teaching and Leading with Technology	2
Specialization		15

Students must select one of the following Specializations or Endorsements:

Certification Specialization

ELE 871	Literacy Programs P-5
EMS 855	Gifted and Talented Youth
EME 843	Mathematics Intervention Strategies
EME 870	Trends in Science Education
or EMS 846	Social Studies Investigation

Choose one 3 hour Advisor approved elective

English as a Second Language (Grades P-12) Endorsement

EME 751	Linguistics in the Curriculum
EMS 775	Methods for Multilingual Learners
EMS 776	Assessment Methods for Multilingual Learners
EMS 777	Culturally and Linguistically Responsive Teaching
Choose one 3 hour Advisor approved elective	
<i>Gifted Education (Grades P-12) Endorsement</i>	
EMS 855	Gifted and Talented Youth
EMS 856	Curriculum in Gifted and Talented Education
EMS 857	Model Programs for Gifted and Talented Education
EMS 858	Practicum for Gifted and Talented Education
Choose one 3 hour Advisor approved elective	
<i>Literacy Specialist (Grades P-12) Endorsement</i>	
EMG 806	Reading Instruction for Middle School
EMS 873	Trends and Issues in English and Language Arts
EMS 875	Literacy Assessment and Instruction
EMS 876	Literacy, Leadership, and Advocacy Difficulties
EME 877	Practicum for Reading Specialists
Exit Requirements	
GRD 878A	MAED Elem Ed Oral Comp Exam
Total Hours	

¹ Course selected to strengthen candidate's knowledge of subjects taught. Candidates are encouraged to discuss certification enhancements with their advisor.

Exit Requirements

The following are the exit requirements for Elementary Education:

- **Program GPA:** Candidates must earn overall GPA of 3.0 or higher, with no grade lower than a C.
- An action research project which culminates in a technology enhanced presentation is required in the Capstone Seminar, ETL 806 Teacher Leader Capstone. ETL 806 Teacher Leader Capstone is repeatable for candidates not completing their Capstone Research Project in one semester. Candidates may register for ETL 806 Teacher Leader Capstone only in the last semester of study and after successful completion of the prerequisite course, ETL 805 Research Methods for Education Professionals. Candidates must also register for EDF 804 Teaching and Leading with Technology.
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