



Master's Degree (M.Ed.) in Elementary Education

Department of Teacher Education
College of Education
Florida Atlantic University

Program Description

The **Master's Degree in Elementary Education** program provides an opportunity for students to earn a 36-credit masters degree. This program is offered to certified elementary teachers wishing to earn an advanced degree in their field. In addition, we welcome applicants who have established eligibility for Temporary Certification; however, the M.Ed. in Elementary Education has no student teaching. Internship requirements for certification by the state are not addressed in this program. Please be advised that you can take no more than 1/3 of the credits in this program as a non-degree student before being officially admitted.

Educational Leadership Course: 3 credits (*Department of Educational Leadership*)

Choose one course:

- EDA 6232 Education and the Law
- EDS 6100 Leadership
- EDS 6050 Supervision of Instruction

Exceptional Student Education Course: 3 credits (*Department of Exceptional Student Education*)

Choose one course:

- EEX 5015 Survey and Assessment of Early Childhood in Exceptional Student Education
- EEX 5051 The Exceptional Individual

Core Courses: 15 credits

Take the following course:

- EDG 6223 Curriculum Leadership

Take four of the following courses:

- ARE 6317 Art Education in Elementary School
- LAE 6352 Language Arts in Elementary School
- LAE 6415 Children's Literature: Elementary School
- MAE 6151 Mathematics: Elementary and Middle School
- HSC 5315 Teaching Health in Elementary School
- RED 6351 Developmental Reading (a pre-requisite for RED 6518)
- RED 6518 Reading Diagnosis and Practicum for Classroom Teachers
- SCE 6151 Science: Elementary and Middle School
- SSE 6151 Social Studies: Elementary and Middle School
- TSL 5345 Methods of Teaching ESOL
- TSL 5145 Curriculum Development in ESOL

Research/Statistics Courses: 6 credits (*Department in Instructional Technology and Research*)

Take *both* of the following:

STA 6113 Educational Statistics (should be taken prior to or concurrently with EDF 6481)
EDF 6481 Educational Research

Liberal Arts/Education Courses: 9 credits at the 6000 level or above

All students must take 3 courses in any content related to Elementary Education in the College of Education, the College of Arts and Letters, or the College of Science. Students with Temporary Certification may choose to take a course in psychological foundations (such as EDF 6229).

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Admission to the **Master's Degree in Elementary Education** requires submission of the graduate application form. You will find information about the application process at <http://graduate.fau.edu/GradApp/> . You may complete the actual graduate application at <https://gradapp.fau.edu/GradApp/Default.aspx> . In addition, in order to be considered for the Degree Program, you must submit the following documentation, upon which departmental approval will be contingent:

- 1) Official transcripts of all undergraduate coursework
- 2) A bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited college or university
- 3) A grade point average (GPA) of 3.00 or better in all work attempted while registered as an upper division student working for a baccalaureate degree,
OR
A minimum combined score of 1000 (quantitative and verbal) on the Graduate Record Exam (GRE) or a score of 500 on the Graduate Management Admissions Test (GMAT) when applicable and required by the individual department; or
- 4) A graduate degree from a regionally accredited institution.
- 5) Graduate Record Examination scores must not be more than 5 years old
- 6) Evidence of Professional Certification or eligibility for Temporary Certification.

All College of Education Programs are approved by the Florida Department of Education and the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE). This State and NCATE approval represents the transferability of your teaching credentials from state-to-state. Please keep and consult the Florida Atlantic University catalogue from the semester that you were admitted to the program, for more details regarding your program.