

Master of Arts in Teaching

Master of Arts in Teaching - Elementary Education (MAT)

Student Teaching (10 Credit Hours)		10
TLED 583	Seminar in Teacher Education	
TLED 668	Internship/Student Teaching and Seminar	
Total Credit Hours		37

Overview

The Master of Arts in Teaching for Elementary Education is a 37-credit hour non-thesis degree program that includes a 9-credit hour student teaching experience in elementary education that will prepare students for licensure from the Virginia Department of Education. The program will prepare highly qualified professionals to teach in schools through a systematic approach to teacher preparation highlighting the intersections between contemporary research based teaching practices and learning, alongside supportive field experiences. This program focuses on teacher preparation for Pre-K-6 classrooms, which requires foundational knowledge in history, mathematics, English, and science.

Note: This is a new degree program. The first cohort is scheduled to be admitted in Spring 2025.

Admission Criteria

Applicants for the Master of Arts in Teaching in Elementary Education are required to submit credentials to ODU for consideration. The documentation/criteria for acceptance include:

- A bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited college/university or equivalent institution in the United States;
- A minimum undergraduate GPA of 2.8 on a 4.0 scale;
- Official copies of transcripts from all regionally accredited institutions attended or equivalent institutions outside of the U.S.;
- A written essay about the applicant's interest in being an educator (400-500 words) that demonstrates academic writing proficiency;
- Three academic and/or professional reference letters for the program of study; and

Non-native English speakers will also be required to provide current scores for the Test of English as a Foreign Language (TOEFL) of at least 550 (or 79 on the TOEFL iBT).

Program Requirements

Core Courses (12 Credit Hours)

TLED 677	Learning and Development Across Historical and Contemporary Educational Environments	3
FOUN 641	Assessment and Evaluation of Student Learning	3
SPED 500	Foundations of Special Education: Legal Aspects and Characteristics	3
READ 680	Literacy Across the Curriculum	3

Elementary Education (15 Credit Hours)

TLED 672	Integrating Children's Lit, Language Arts & Social Studies Across Early Child Curriculum	3
TLED 673	Integrating Science and Mathematics Across the Early Childhood and Elementary Curriculum	3
TLED 679	Advanced Classroom Management and Practicum in PreK-6	3
TLED 681	Critical Pedagogy in Early Childhood	3
TLED 568	Language Acquisition and Reading for Students with Diverse Learning Needs	3