



Department of Teaching and Learning

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

Information Sheet

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. If you have questions about any of the course work before being admitted, please contact the Department of Teaching and Learning at DeptTeachLearn@fau.edu.

Advisement: An advisor will be assigned upon acceptance to the program. The Program of Study is to be done together with your advisor on the forms available through the Graduate College.

Core Courses: 15 credits

Take the following course:

EDE 6205 Curriculum: Elementary School

Take four of the following courses:

ARE 6317 Art Education in Elementary Schools

LAE 6352 Language Arts: Elementary School

LAE 6415 Literature: Elementary School

MAE 6151 Mathematics: Elementary and Middle School

HSC 5315 Teaching Health in Elementary School (Dept. of Exercise Science and Health Promotion)

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 TESOL and Bilingual Education (Dept. of Curriculum, Culture and Educational Inquiry)

TSL 5142 Curriculum Development in TESOL and Bilingual Education (Dept. of Curriculum, Culture and Educational Inquiry)

Educational Leadership Course: 3 credits (Dept. of Educational Leadership)

Choose one 3-credit course:

EDA 6232 Practical School Law, or

EDS 6050 Instructional Leadership 1

Exceptional Student Education Course: 3 credits (Dept. of Exceptional Student Education)

Choose one 3-credit course:

EEX 5015 Survey and Assessment in Early Childhood Education and Early Childhood Special Education or

EEX 5051 Individuals with Disabilities

Research/Statistics Courses: 6 credits (Dept. of Educational Leadership)

Take both of the following:

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

EDF 6481 Educational Research (prerequisite or co-requisite: STA 6113)

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.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

Admission to the **Master's Degree in Elementary Education** program requires submission of the graduate application form. You will find information about the application process at <http://www.fau.edu/graduate/>. You must complete the actual graduate application online. In addition, in order to be considered for the Degree Program, you **must** submit all of the following documentation to Florida Atlantic University:

1. Official transcripts of all undergraduate coursework.
2. A bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited college or university.
3. Graduate Record Examination (GRE) scores.
4. Evidence of Professional Certification or eligibility for Temporary Certification.

The admission decision is based on one of the following:

- 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,
- Graduate Record Examination (GRE) test score of 154 (verbal) and 144 (quantitative). For GRE exams taken prior to August 1, 2011, a minimum combined score of 1000 (quantitative and verbal). GRE scores must not be more than 5 years old (unless age of score is waived by petition submitted with application).
- A graduate degree from a regionally accredited institution.

*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.***

Once admitted into the master's degree program you **must**:

- Register for at least one course in the semester to which you are admitted

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