



DEPARTMENT OF CURRICULUM, CULTURE
AND EDUCATIONAL INQUIRY

College of Education

Master's Degree (M.Ed.) in Curriculum and Instruction
Program Description

The **Master's Degree in Curriculum and Instruction** requires 36-semester hours (21 graduate hours in curriculum and instruction and 15 graduate hours in your selected area of specialization). This degree is designed for already certified teachers and other professionals, who are **not** seeking teacher certification. Areas of specialization include: Multicultural Education (fully online), TESOL and Bilingual Education (fully online), Early Childhood Education, a variety of specific content areas (listed below), and an Individualized Concentration tailored to meet your needs and interests. Prospective students can take up to 1/3 of the credits in this program as a non-degree seeking students before being officially admitted.

Core Courses (12 credits, Department of Curriculum, Culture and Educational Inquiry)

Take **each** of the following **three** course (9 semester hours required):

- EDG 6224 U.S. Curricular Trends and Issues
- EDG 6253 Design Components of Curriculum
- EDG 6285 Program Evaluation in Curriculum and Instruction

Take **one** of the following courses (3 semester hours required):

- EDG 6625 Global Perspectives of Curricular Trends Across Nations
- EDF 6637 Race, Class and Gender Issues in Education

Research/Statistics Courses (6 credits, Department of Educational Leadership and Research Methodology)

Take **both** of the following courses (6 semester hours required):

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

Capstone Course (3 **final** credits, Department of Curriculum, Culture and Educational Inquiry)

- EDF 6918 Action Research in Schools and Communities (permission of instructor)

Areas of Specialization and Required Courses (15 credits at the 5000/6000 level):

Early Childhood Education (EEC):

- EEC 6236 Principles and Models of ECE Curriculum
- EEC 6711 Creative Arts for Young Children
- EEC 6932 Seminar in Early Childhood Education
- EEX 5015 Survey and Assessment in ECE and ESE
- EEX 5245 Methods in Early Childhood Special Education

Multicultural Education (MCE): Fully Online

- EDG 5705 Seminar in Multicultural Education
- EDF 6887 Foundations of Multicultural Curriculum
- EDF 6800 Foundations of Global Education
- EDF 6615 Black Perspectives in Education
- Elective Approved by assigned faculty advisor

TESOL and Bilingual Education (BE): Fully Online

- EDG 5705 Seminar in Multicultural Education
- TSL 5345 Methods of Teaching ESOL and BE
- TSL 5142 Curriculum Development in TESOL and BE
- TSL 5440 Assessment Issues for ESOL and Bilingual Populations
- Elective Approved by assigned faculty advisor

Specific Content Areas:

Art; English/Language Arts; Mathematics; Reading; Science {bio/chem/phy}; and Social Science.
Courses selected according to your FDOE Letter of Eligibility or interests.

Individualized Concentration (CI):

Designed with and approved by your assigned faculty advisor.

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ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

For more information on our programs, please contact the Department of Curriculum, Culture, and Educational Inquiry. The office is room #353 in the Education building on the Boca campus. The telephone number is: (561) 297-6598. The department website is: <http://www.coe.fau.edu/academicdepartments/ccei/>.

Admission to the **Master's Degree in Curriculum and Instruction** program requires submission of the graduate application form. You will find information about the application process at <http://www.fau.edu/graduate/> and the application form at <http://www.fau.edu/graduate/apply.php>.

Application Deadlines

Domestic Students

Fall: July 1

Spring: November 1

Summer: April 1

International Students

Fall: February 15

Spring: July 15

Summer: January 15

For questions regarding your application status or general inquiries, please call the Graduate College Office at (561) 297-3624; the Office of Academic Student Services in the College of Education at (561) 297-3570; or send an e-mail to graduatecollege@fau.edu.

In addition, in order to be considered for the Degree Program, you must submit the following documentation to the Graduate College, upon which departmental approval will be contingent:

- 1) A bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited college or university.
- 2) Official transcripts of all undergraduate and graduate coursework (undergraduate GPA of 3.0 required for the last 60 credit hours of upper division coursework).
- 3) Additional international student requirements may apply.

In addition, you must submit the following documentation to the department via email. Please send to Lizeth Garcia, lgarci18@fau.edu , as an attachment.

- 1) Personal statement specifying area of concentration (if known), reason for applying to the program and your professional goals.
- 2) Resume
- 3) Two **signed letters of recommendation**, that highlight the candidate's academic potential from a previous professor, employer or colleague (letters **MUST** be on official company/school letterhead).
- 4) Evidence of professional certification or temporary certification, if applicable.

All College of Education Programs are approved by the Florida Department of Education and the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP) previously NCATE. 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.