

M.A. in Education

The Master of Arts degree in Education is a 30 credit hour degree designed for students who wish to pursue advanced studies in education. Students can pursue the MA in Education in any of three academic departments in the College of Education:

- Educational Leadership and Foundations
- Educational Psychology and Special Services
- Teacher Education

Admission Requirements

- A satisfactory undergraduate grade point average (GPA) 3.0.
- A current resume.
- A written statement by the applicant describing personal and professional goals as related to the M.A. in Education.
- The admission criteria will be reviewed holistically to assess the potential of the applicant. The successful applicant would typically have an undergraduate upper division GPA of 3.0 or higher that demonstrates focus on academics, a current resume that demonstrates basic knowledge in education, and a written statement that demonstrates maturity and commitment to Education.
- Applicants from countries where English is not the first language are required to demonstrate English proficiency. Please consult the graduate school (<http://catalog.utep.edu/admissions/graduate/graduate-student/>) website for required scores.

Graduation Requirements

Students may select one of two options to meet graduation requirements: Thesis or Capstone Project.

Thesis - A thesis and an oral defense, both satisfactory to the Graduate Studies Committee of the academic department.

Capstone Project – An applied research project conducted in an educational setting. The capstone project must meet the standards established by the program in order to satisfy degree requirements.

Plan of Study

The MA is a college-wide degree. Courses for the MA can be pursued in or across the College of Education's three departments: Educational Leadership and Foundations, Educational Psychology and Special Services, or Teacher Education. Sample MA courses in each department are presented in subsequent sections.

Degree Plan

Concentrations

Early Childhood/Elementary Education

Code	Title	Hours
Core Courses Required:		
RED 5341	Assessment/Teaching of Reading	3
TED 5302	Manage Student-centered Clsm	3
TED 5310	Instructional Design/Methods	3
Residency Courses Required:		
TED 5320	Teaching Residency I	3
TED 5321	Teaching Residency II	3
Early Childhood Track Required:		
BED 5331	Found of Bil and Teach Emr Bil	3
ECED 5353	Early Lit/Multi-Lit Dev & Curr	3
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ECED 5354	Early STEM/STEAM Dev & Curr	3
or ECED 5357	Play, Games & Toys in ED, B-8	
ECED 5359	Asset & Art-based Teach, B-8	3
or ECED 5348	Child Dev in Div Ed Contx,Bth8	
SPED 5352	Behav Inter for Young Ch (B-8)	3
or SPED 5353	Earl Interv Strat Spe Pop B-8	

or SPED 5354

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Total Hours **30**

Educational Leadership and Foundations (Thesis)

Code	Title	Hours
Select 24 hours of graduate EDAD courses with advisor approval.		24
Required:		
EDAD 5398	Thesis Research	3
EDAD 5399	Thesis Writing	3
Total Hours		30

Educational Psychology and Special Services (Thesis)

Code	Title	Hours
Complete 30 hours of graduate EDPC or SPED courses, including a thesis or practicum, with advisor approval.		30
Total Hours		30

Elementary Education (ACP)

Code	Title	Hours
Core Courses Required:		
RED 5341	Assessment/Teaching of Reading	3
RED 5342	Content Literacy	3
TED 5302	Manage Student-centered Clsrm	3
TED 5310	Instructional Design/Methods	3
Residency Courses Required:		
TED 5320	Teaching Residency I	3
TED 5321	Teaching Residency II	3
Elementary Track Required:		
BED 5331	Found of Bil and Teach Emr Bil	3
BED 5343	Content Area Intstr for EBs	3
MTED 5322	Ped Cntent Knowl in Teach Math	3
RED 5340	Curr Topics-Reading Education	3
SPED 5345	Interv Stud w/High Incid Disab	3
Total Hours		33

Secondary Education-All Levels Education (ACP)

Code	Title	Hours
Core Courses Required:		
RED 5341	Assessment/Teaching of Reading	3
RED 5342	Content Literacy	3
TED 5302	Manage Student-centered Clsrm	3
TED 5310	Instructional Design/Methods	3
Residency Courses Required:		
TED 5320	Teaching Residency I	3
TED 5321	Teaching Residency II	3
Secondary/All-Levels Track Required:		
BED 5331	Found of Bil and Teach Emr Bil	3
BED 5343	Content Area Intstr for EBs	3
EDT 5374	Pedagogy/Technology-rich Clsrm	3
SCED 5326	Curriculum in Secondary School	3
SPED 5345	Interv Stud w/High Incid Disab	3
Total Hours		33

Special Education (ACP)

Code	Title	Hours
Core Courses Required:		
RED 5341	Assessment/Teaching of Reading	3
TED 5302	Manage Student-centered Clsrm	3
TED 5310	Instructional Design/Methods	3
Special Education Track Required:		
TED 5320	Teaching Residency I	3
TED 5321	Teaching Residency II	3
Select five courses form the list below:		15
SPED 5320	Spec Ed-Historical Legal Basis	
SPED 5340	Learning Theories Across Life	
SPED 5345	Interv Stud w/High Incid Disab	
SPED 5350	Special Topics-Special Educati	
SPED 5361	Positive Behavior Interv & Sup	
SPED 5363	Curr Trnd & Iss Addr Chall Beh	
SPED 5369	Tch Rdng Wrt Mth/Lrns Hgh Inc	
Total Hours		30

Teacher Education (Thesis)

Code	Title	Hours
Select 24 hours of graduate TED courses with advisor approval.		24
TED 5398	Thesis	3
TED 5399	Thesis	3
Total Hours		30