

# **Master of Arts in Teaching (M.A.T.)**

Elementary Education Cognate

2019-2020 Degree Completion Plan

After completion of the required program coursework (including student teaching), content competencies (if applicable), and the passing of licensure tests, the graduate of this program would be eligible for a VA state teaching license.

INITIAL EDUCATION CORE COURSES (12 hours)			<u>Sem</u>	<b>Grade</b>
EDUC 500	Learning Theory	3		
EDUC 504	Historical & Philosophical Foundations of Education	3		
EDUC 521	Foundations of Exceptionality	3		
EDUC 606	Tests & Measurements	3		
ELEMENTA	ARY EDUCATION COGNATE (12 hours)			
EDUC 530	Teaching Mathematics <sup>1, 2</sup>	3		
EDUC 554	Reading & Language Acquisition <sup>2, 3, 4</sup>	3		
EDUC 634	Teaching Science in Elementary School	3		
EDUC 636	Teaching Social Studies in the Elementary School	3		
PROFESSIO	ONAL COURSES (12 hours)			
EDUC 571	Curriculum Fundamentals <sup>5, 6</sup>	3		
EDUC 588	Practicum in Education I: External <sup>2</sup>	0		
EDUC 59_	Student Teaching <sup>2, 5, 7</sup>	3		
EDUC 623	Principles of Behavior Management	3		
EDUC 632	Language Acquisition & Instruction	3		
EDUC 688	Practicum in Education II: External <sup>1,2</sup>	0		

### **Graduation Requirements**

Complete 36 hours

A maximum of 50% of the program hours may be transferred if approved and allowable, including credit from an earned degree from Liberty University on the same academic level

3.0 GPA

No more than two grades of C may be applied to the degree (includes grades of C+ & No grade of D or below may be applied to the degree (includes grades of C+ & D-) Degree must be completed within 5 years

Submission of Degree Completion Application must be completed within the last semester of a student's anticipated graduation date

# Program offered in Online Format

#### Notes

All applicable prerequisites must be met

**TOTAL HOURS** 

Competencies must be met prior to student teaching. Please refer to the

**36** 

Elementary/Middle Content Competency Chart

EDUC 673 or 676 may be added for Middle School endorsement

<sup>1</sup>EDUC 530 must be taken in the same semester as EDUC 688

<sup>2</sup>Background check clearance required (EDUC 530, 554, 588, 590, 591, 592, 593, 688)

<sup>3</sup>Prerequiste of EDUC 530 and Gate 2 approval

 $^4$ EDUC 554 must be taken in the same semester as EDUC 588

<sup>5</sup>International candidates seeking a "student visa" to study in residence in the U.S. may use EDUC 571 and 590 to count as part of their residency requirement

<sup>6</sup>EDUC 571 to be taken the semester directly before or during student teaching <sup>7</sup>Candidates will be assigned either EDUC 590, 591, 592 or 593. Course and section number will be designated during Gate 3 Application

Suggested Course Sequence on Second Page

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# SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE

First Semester <sup>1</sup>			Second Semester	
EDUC 500 (B-Term)		3	EDUC 588 (A-Term) <sup>2</sup>	0
EDUC 521 (D-Term)		3	EDUC 554 (B-Term) <sup>2,3</sup>	3
EDUC 623 (D-Term)		<u>3</u>	EDUC 504 (D-Term)	3
	Total	9	EDUC 632 (D-Term)	<u>3</u>
			Total	9
Third Semester <sup>4</sup>			Fourth Semester	
EDUC 634 (B-Term)		3	EDUC 688 (A-Term) <sup>5</sup>	0
EDUC 636 (D-Term)		<u>3</u>	EDUC 606 (B-Term)	3
	Total	6	EDUC 530 (D-Term) <sup>5</sup>	<u>3</u>
			Total	6
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Fifth Semester		. ,		
EDUC 59_6 (A-Term)		3		
EDUC 571 <sup>7</sup> (D-Term)	Tr. ( 1	<u>3</u>		
	Total	6		

### Notes

<sup>1</sup>Submit Gate 2 Background Check and Content Competencies; Register for VCLA and take Praxis Core

Adding an endorsement is STRONGLY recommended to enhance employment opportunities

Additional courses required for **dual endorsement** *Special Education*: EDUC 524, 525, 599 & 622

According to the Virginia Department of Education, an individual who holds an Elementary teaching license may add an additional endorsement to the license by passing Praxis Subject Assessment. This testing option does not apply to Seeking a special education endorsement.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>EDUC 554 should not be taken in the summer

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>EDUC 554 must be taken in the same semester as EDUC 588

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>Register for Praxis Subject Assessment. Submit Gate 3 application by 2/1 for fall Student Teaching or 9/1 for spring Student Teaching -7

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup>EDUC 530 must be taken in the same semester as EDUC 688

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup>Students will be assigned either EDUC 590, 591, 592 or 593. Course and section number will be designated during Gate 3 Application

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup>EDUC 571 must be taken directly before or during student teaching