



GRADUATE PROGRAMS IN TEACHER LICENSURE

TUESDAY NIGHT COHORT

Candidates entering either the Post-Baccalaureate or MAT program will be placed into a cohort of 15-25 candidates and work closely with a cohort of faculty. The program is a comprehensive standards-based licensure program, with course work offered Tuesday evenings. Courses are offered face to face and on-line with the use of Desire 2 Learn.

A new cohort begins every fall and candidates may complete the program in 24 months. Coursework is offered on Tuesday evenings during the fall, spring, and summer semesters.

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The Department of Education Studies: K-12 and Secondary Programs (KSP) prepares graduate students for initial licensure as professional educators in K-12 and 5-12 classrooms. The program is designed to strengthen and broaden the knowledge, skills, and dispositions of graduate students in order to prepare them to meet the challenges of teaching in the 21st century. The Graduate Teacher Licensure Program is offered for those who have completed a Bachelor's Degree in a licensable field. Candidates entering this program have two options: a 5-12 or K-12 teaching certificate (Post-Baccalaureate), or a teaching certificate with a Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT). Both programs are accredited by NCATE and approved by the Minnesota Board of Teaching.

Throughout the program, candidates will be taking courses, completing field experiences, and student teaching. As a result, participation in the program requires a significant commitment and often times, candidates must take a leave of absence from their employment in order to participate. Candidates receive no compensation for field experiences or student teaching in the public schools, and should plan ahead to meet financial obligations over the course of their graduate program.

MENTORSHIP PROGRAM

Graduate Teacher Licensure students have the opportunity to participate in a year-long, competency-based mentorship experience. This unique program occurs in the K-12 setting and is tied to the college classroom through curriculum that coordinates and integrates school-based instruction with on-site K-12 classroom experiences. A mentorship is a formal relationship between a candidate and a K-12 teacher who serves as a role model and provides support and encouragement over multiple semesters. A mentor helps the candidate become accustomed to the rules, norms, and expectations of the workplace and provides career insights and guidance based on personal career experience.

LICENSURE AREAS APPROVED BY THE BOARD OF TEACHING

5-12

- Family and Consumer Science
- Health Science
- Mathematics
- Social Studies
- Business Education
- Communication Arts and Literature
- Science (Life Science, Chemistry, Earth & Space Science, General Science, Physics)

K-12

- Dance
- Teaching English as a Second Language
- Special Education
- Library Media
- Physical Education
- Vocal Music and Instrumental Music
- Developmental Adapted Physical Education
- World Languages and Cultures (Spanish & French)

For information on admission requirements, degree programs, and course offerings, visit

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