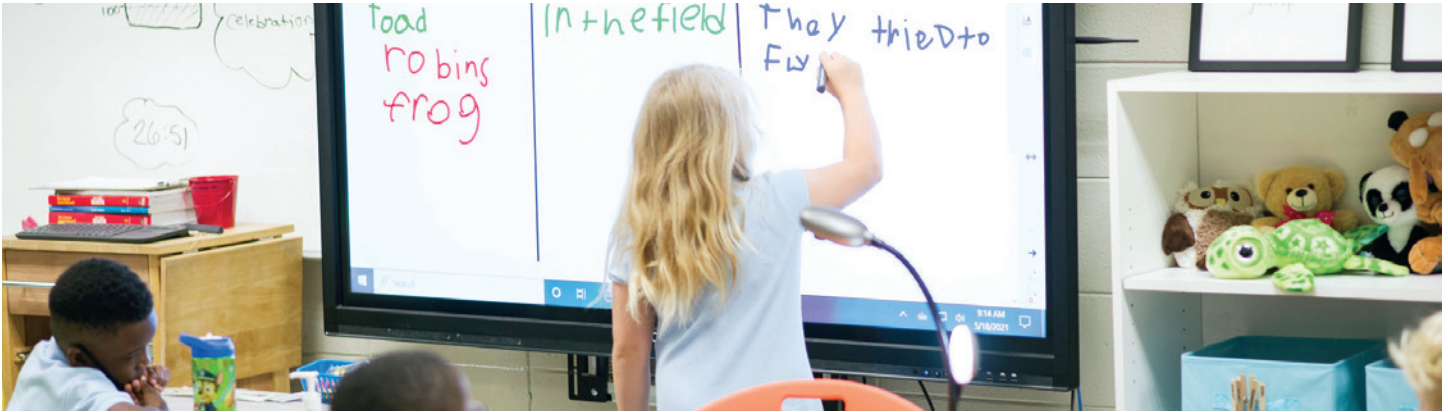


Master of Arts in Teaching

INITIAL TEACHER CERTIFICATION PROGRAM



Mercer University's College of Education offers the **Master of Arts in Teaching (M.A.T.)** for those who hold a bachelor's degree and are seeking initial teacher certification in Georgia at the master's level. Successful completion of the program and passing scores on the appropriate Georgia Assessments for the Certification of Educators (GACE) Content Assessments, as approved by the Georgia Professional Standards Commission (GaPSC), lead to eligibility for Level 5 certification. Choose from four areas of study:

ELEMENTARY EDUCATION Atlanta | Henry County | Macon

Designed for students seeking to teach young children in **grades P through 5**, this program offers course content and field experience to prepare teachers to support the diverse needs of young students.

MIDDLE GRADES EDUCATION Atlanta | Macon

This pedagogy-only program is designed to offer a comprehensive study of the specialized skills needed to teach and support students in **grades 4 through 8**. Teacher candidates will achieve a wide variety of learning outcomes, including understanding the characteristics and needs of preadolescent and adolescent students.

SECONDARY EDUCATION Atlanta | Macon

This pedagogy-only program consists of course content and field experiences designed to equip individuals to teach students in **grades 6 through 12**. Candidates may choose from secondary education certification fields in biology, chemistry, earth/space science, English, geography, history, mathematics, physics, political science, trade and industrial education, and more.

P-12 EDUCATION Atlanta | Macon

This pedagogy-only program is designed to prepare individuals to support and guide students in **grades P through 12** toward success in art, computer science, dance, drama, ESOL, engineering and technology, foreign languages, health and PE, or music.

PROGRAM DETAILS

Format: Blended combination of 25% in-person, 25% asynchronous online, and 50% synchronous online classes

Start Term:

Atlanta: January, March, May, August, and October

Henry County: May, August, and October

Macon:

Elementary May, August, and October

Middle Grades, Secondary, and P-12 January, May, and August

Course Length: 8 or 16 weeks

Completion Time: 18-24 months

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PROGRAMS OF STUDY

Elementary Education (P-5)

Foundational Classes
Methods Classes
Content Area Classes
Field Experiences

Degree Requirements: 37 hours*

Middle Grades Education (4-8)

Foundational Classes
Content Concentrations and Methods Classes
(choose one area from Language Arts, Mathematics,
Science, and Social Science)
Field Experiences

Degree Requirements: 31 hours*

Secondary Education (6-12)

Foundational Classes
Content Area and Methods Classes
Content Area Studies
Field Experiences

Degree Requirements: 31 hours*

P-12 Education

Foundational Courses
Content Area and Methods Classes
Field Experiences

Degree Requirements: 31 hours*

**Students may be required to complete 9 additional hours of foundation coursework based on a transcript review.*

Admission Requirements

Applicants seeking admission must hold a bachelor's degree from a college or university accredited by an institutional accreditor recognized by the U.S. Department of Education with a minimum undergraduate cumulative GPA of at least 2.5 on a 4.0 scale.

REQUIRED APPLICATION MATERIALS INCLUDE:

- Completed application for admission
- \$25 non-refundable application fee
- Official transcripts from all previously attended institutions
- GACE Georgia Educator Ethics Assessment completion certificate

Middle Grades, Secondary Education, and P-12 Education applicants must also meet one of two additional admissions requirements:

- Passing score on the GACE Content Assessment in the desired field of certification
- Successful completion of a specified number of semester hours of content area coursework earned in conjunction with a bachelor's degree or higher from a GaPSC-approved institution. Number of hours depends on transcript analysis.

International applicants should consult the University catalog for additional requirements.



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