

# M.Ed. in Curriculum and Instruction

### Overview

### **Degree Requirements**

# **Description**

The M.Ed. in curriculum and instruction is offered with four emphasis areas: elementary education, special education, literacy education, and secondary education. The latter emphasis can also be completed with one of four specializations: English education, mathematics education, science education (biology, physics, and chemistry), and social studies education. For each program, candidates engage in readings, research, discussions, simulations, reflections, applications, and field experiences/clinical practices intended to help them grow as reflective education professionals.

# Minimum Total Credit Hours: 30 Goals/Mission Statement

The philosophy of the Department of Curriculum and Instruction, as it applies to the preparation of teachers, is reflected by the belief that teachers should be prepared to - Develop and engage in appropriate teaching strategies by studying, interacting, practicing, and reflecting; - Collaborate in identifying and meeting the broad range of goals for which schools are responsible in today's society; - Show by modeling and encouraging students the dispositions of leading, thinking, problem solving, and lifelong learning; - Respect and serve culturally diverse populations and communities; and - Assume responsibility for the quality and effectiveness of their professional lives.

# **Course Requirements**

The M.Ed. degree requires 30 semester hours of course work with emphasis in elementary, secondary, literacy or special education. All candidates for the degree must take Educational Research I (Edrs 605) and Advanced Curriculum Theory and Practice (Edci 601).

### **Specializations**

- Emphasis Early Childhood Education
- Emphasis Elementary Education
  - Specialization
  - Specialization Language Arts/Reading
  - Specialization Science/Mathematics
- Emphasis Elementary Education Online
- Emphasis Secondary Education
  - Specialization
    - Biology
      - Electives
    - Chemistry
      - Electives
    - English
      - Electives
    - French
      - Electives
      - Specialization French
    - Mathematics
      - <u>Electives</u>
    - Physics
      - Electives
    - Social Studies
      - Electives
    - Spanish
      - Electives
      - Specialization Spanish
  - Specialization Biology
  - Specialization Chemistry
  - Specialization English
  - Specialization Math
  - Specialization Physics
  - Specialization Social Studies
- Emphasis Special Education

