Education, MA

Chart your own course by choosing specific topics that best fit your goals as a professional educator. Expand or deepen your knowledge in this customizable online master's degree program that can be completed in just 16 months.

Program Description

Degree Awarded: MA Education
The MA program in education is designed for professionals who want to advance their career in the field of education. Students who graduate with this degree will have the ability to support their educational endeavors which will, in turn, shape society.

Students in this program can customize their coursework in the following ways. They can choose two of the following Mary Lou Fulton Teachers College focal areas:

- applied behavior analysis
- autism spectrum disorders
- early childhood education
- educating multilingual learners
- gifted education
- global education
- learning design and technologies
- literacy education
- physical activity and physical education
- special education endorsement*
- teaching pedagogy

Or, they can choose one of the focal areas shown above and one of the focal areas from a partner college, shown below:

- business (W.P. Carey School of Business)
- data and society (New College of Interdisciplinary Studies and Arts)
- digital audience strategies (Cronkite School of Journalism and Mass Communication)
- social justice and human rights (New College of Interdisciplinary Sciences and Arts)
Students interested in the special education endorsement should speak to an advisor before selecting this focal area. It includes additional requirements.

The program culminates with an applied project in which students design and develop an inquiry study that addresses one or more problems related to their areas of focus.

Note: Students who are part of specialized cohorts or initiatives that include a focal area in Master of Arts in education should consult with an advisor.

At a Glance

- **College/School:** [Mary Lou Fulton Teachers College](#)
- **Location:** [Online](#)

Degree Requirements

30 credit hours including the required applied project course (EDU 593), or
30 credit hours including the required applied project course (EDU 593) - Mandarin Pathway

**Required Core (3 credit hours)**
COE 501 Introduction to Research and Evaluation in Education (3)

**Electives (24 credit hours)**

**Culminating Experience (3 credit hours)**
EDU 593 Applied Project (3)

**Additional Curriculum Information**
The program is designed to be flexible and personalized to meet the interests of the learner. Students should see the academic unit for a list of electives to choose from as they explore focal areas of greatest interest.

Admission Requirements

Applicants must fulfill the requirements of both the Graduate College and the [Mary Lou Fulton Teachers College](#).

Applicants are eligible to apply to the program if they have earned a bachelor's or master's degree in any field from a regionally accredited institution.
Applicants must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00 (scale is 4.00 = "A") in the last 60 hours of their first bachelor's degree program, or applicants must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.00 (scale is 4.00 = "A") in an applicable master's degree program.

Applicants are required to submit:

1. graduate admission application and application fee
2. official transcripts
3. three letters of recommendation
4. written statement
5. proof of English proficiency

**Additional Application Information**

An applicant whose native language is not English must provide proof of English proficiency regardless of their current residency.

The letters of recommendation should be from individuals who can speak to the applicant's potential for success in a graduate program, and the personal statement should describe the applicant's interests and reason for seeking this degree.

GRE scores are not required for admission.

Applicants must provide a written statement of approximately 500 words that describes their personal interest in the field of education, the goals they wish to achieve while in the program, and their short- and long-term career aspirations. The admission committee pays particular attention to the quality of writing, the ideas expressed, and the relative match between the applicant and program goals.

**Tuition Information**

When it comes to paying for college, everyone's situation is different. Students can learn about ASU tuition and financial aid options to find out which will work best for them.

**Attend Online**

ASU Online

ASU offers this program in an online format with multiple enrollment sessions throughout the year. Applicants may view the program's ASU Online page for program descriptions and to request more information.

**Career Opportunities**

Students gain skills in effective communication, collaboration, leadership, advocacy and innovation, all of which are essential to education professionals in a variety of careers.
Career examples include:

- behavior specialist
- curriculum designer
- education program manager
- education subject matter expert
- instructional designer
- team lead (K-12 schools)

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