

THE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN STUDIES

Master of Arts in Education
Master of Education
Education Specialist

Calendar for M.A.Ed. 2001—2002

Dates may vary slightly. Separate course schedules for each program are available.

Fall Semester 2001

Mission Statement

The graduate programs in education are designed to provide, within a service oriented Christian environment, quality graduate study opportunities to meet the educational needs of four distinct groups.

1. Persons who are licensed teachers and wish to complete graduate degrees in their professional teaching fields by completing either the M.A.Ed. or M.Ed., or Ed.S.;
2. Persons with baccalaureate degrees who are not licensed to teach and who do not desire to qualify for a license, but who wish to increase their knowledge of children, young people, and education by completing the M.A.Ed. degree;
3. Persons with baccalaureate degrees who are not licensed to teach but who wish to be. (These persons may choose to apply graduate courses taken to meet licensure requirements toward the M.A.Ed. degree.);
4. Persons with baccalaureate degrees who do not wish to pursue a graduate degree at this time, but who want to take graduate courses for personal or professional growth through M.A.Ed. course offering. These persons may or may not hold a teaching license.

MASTER OF ARTS IN EDUCATION PROGRAM

Admission to Graduate Coursework

All students, whether degree-seeking or non-degree-seeking in the M.A.Ed. program, who desire to take graduate courses in education at Union University must meet prescribed admission criteria. After admission, the student may take courses for personal or professional growth, seek teacher licensure, or pursue the Master of Arts in Education Degree. Some students may choose to seek the M.A.Ed. as they complete their teacher licensure.

Applicants desiring to take graduate courses in education should submit the following to the Office of Graduate Studies in Education:

1. A completed

the School of Education and Human Studies for full admission to the Master of Arts in Education Degree Program.

Advisement

The Dean of the School of Education and Human Studies will assign the student to an advisor who will, with the student, develop a degree plan which will be placed in the student's file in the Office of Graduate Studies in Education in the School of Education and Human Studies. The student will consult with the advisor prior to each registration to plan courses.

Requirements for the Master of Arts in Education Degree

Two options are available for completion of the M.A.Ed. Degree, a thesis option requiring a minimum of 33 semester hours of graduate credit and a non-thesis option requiring a minimum of 39 semester hours of graduate credit. Students choosing the thesis option of the program are required to write a thesis or research report while students choosing the non-thesis option of the program are required to successfully complete the Capstone Research Seminar. *All degree requirements must be completed within five years of the date of admission to the degree program.*

Requirements for the Thesis Option of the M.A.Ed.

and student teaching semester are required for licensure but not for the degree.

1. SE 625 and PSY 610
2. LSC 610, 620, 630, 640, 650
3. EDU 510 and EDU 616
4. EDU 437, Enhanced Student Teaching PreK-12, 14 hours

D. Concentration: Secondary Education, Licensure (15 core + 24 concentration hours)

With appropriate prerequisites, including those in the teaching content field, this program leads to an initial licensure in a secondary (Grades 7-12) field. Praxis II Tests and student teaching semester, or 2 years of successful teaching experience on an Interim A license appropriate to the endorsement area, are required for licensure but not for the degree.

1. EDU 504 (prior technology experience needed)
2. EDU 530, 604, 625, 626
3. PSY 610 and SE 625
4. Education Electives, advisor-approved, 4 hours

E. Concentration: Special Education, Licensure (15 core + 24 concentration hours)

With appropriate prerequisites, initial licensure and Praxis II Specialty Tests*, this program leads to an additional endorsement in SE-Modified K-12.

1. SE 605, 610, 631, 632, 641, 645
2. Education Electives, advisor-approved, 6 hours

An endorsement in SE-Comprehensive may be added by taking 6 hours of designated coursework. An endorsement in SE-Early Childhood is available by taking 8 hours of designated coursework.

F. Concentration: Curriculum and Instruction, Non-Licensure (15 core + 24 concentration hours)

1. EDU 604, 616, 625, 626
2. PSY 610 or EDU/PSY 614
3. Education Electives, advisor-approved, 9 hours

G. Concentration: Human Growth and Development, Non-Licensure (15 core + 24 concentration hours)

1. SE 625, PSY 610, EDU/PSY 614
2. EDU 651, EDU 657
3. Education Electives, advisor-approved, 7 hours

* Praxis II Specialty Area Tests appropriate to the endorsement are required for licensure but not for the degree.

Admission to Candidacy for the Master of Arts in Education Degree

An important step in the student's progress toward the Master of Arts in Education Degree is admission to Candidacy. Students will be admitted to degree candidacy status only when the following conditions have been met.

1. Interview with the Director of Graduate Studies, Jackson.
2. Development of a program of study.
3. Completion of at least 18 semester hours in the program, including EDU 650, Educational Measurement and Evaluation. Additionally, if the student is pursuing the thesis option, EDU 660, Issues and Trends in Education, is required.
4. Completion of EDU 670, Research Design.
5. A minimum grade point average of 3.0.

Additional Candidacy Requirement for Thesis-Option Students: Students completing the thesis option of the program must have degree candidacy before beginning the master's research. In addition to the candidacy requirements above, thesis option students will be required to submit a research proposal which has been approved by the student's research committee. It is the responsibility of the student to consult with the Dean of the School of Education and Human Studies regarding the formation of the research committee. The approved research proposal must be filed in the Office of the School of Education and Human Studies before candidacy is granted.

The student will receive written notification when degree candidacy status has been achieved.

Full-Time Students

A graduate student enrolled for 9 or more hours during an academic semester will be considered a full-time student. A graduate student enrolled for 6 or more hours during the Summer or 3 or more graduate hours in Winter or any less-than-14-week semester shall be considered full time.

Maximum Load

The maximum load for a graduate student is 15 hours during the Fall or Spring semesters and 6

hours during the Winter term. The maximum load for the 8-week Summer session is 12 hours. No more than 6 hours may be taken during any Summer term. Fall and Spring Semester schedules are designed for teachers. An optimum load for teachers is six hours, one course per term.

Transfer of Credit into the M.A.Ed. Degree Program

Up to nine semester hours of graduate credit from a regionally accredited college or university may be transferred into the degree program at the time the student is admitted to the program, provided the grades received in those courses were B or higher. Work being transferred into the program must have been completed within five years prior to admission to the program.

Transfer of credit after the student has been admitted to the degree program (transient credit) will be acceptable provided (1) the total semester hours of transfer credit does not exceed nine hours, (2) the grade received in the course is B or higher, and (3) written approval of the course being taken has been obtained from the Dean of the School of Education and Human Studies prior to taking the course. A maximum of six hours of workshop/short course/video course credit may be transferred.

Residency Requirements

All students pursuing the Master of Arts in Education Degree are required to meet residency requirements for the degree. Students electing the thesis option of the program must complete at least 21 semester hours of work on the Jackson campus. Students electing the non-thesis option of the program must complete at least 27 semester hours of work on the Jackson campus.

Courses Taken by Non-Degree Students

A maximum of twelve hours of graduate work taken at Union before a student is admitted to the degree program may be used to satisfy the M.A.Ed. requirements.

Financial Information

The registration of a graduate student signifies an agreement by the student to fulfill the related financial obligations to the end of the term for which the student has registered.

There are two methods for the payment of expenses.

1. All expenses may be paid in full prior to or on the day of registration.
2. Payment may be made in two equal payments, with one-half due at the time of registration and the balance due halfway through the term. A 1.5% service charge will be added to the unpaid balance following the initial payment.

For students who have a definite commitment of financial aid from the Financial Aid Office of the University, the difference between the total cost for the term and the financial aid allocation is the amount payable by the student to the University.

Tuition and Fees

M.A.Ed	\$205/semester hour (2001-2002)
Non-degree-seeking post-baccalaureate students	\$205/semester hour (2001-2002)

Tuition for Student Teaching will be charged at the undergraduate rate.

Other fees when applicable:

Application Fee (non-refundable, one-time only)	\$25
Late Registration Fee	\$25
Audit Fee	\$110 semester hour
Course Change Fee	\$10
Lab/Materials Fee per Course: EDU 552, 553, 554, 555, 651, 657, 658; SE 651, 657	\$15
Thesis Binding Fee	\$50
Graduation Fee: Student keeps masters hood	\$100

Financial Assistance

Students enrolled in Graduate Studies in Education for a minimum of six hours per semester, Fall or Spring, may apply for the Federal Stafford Loan. All students applying for this loan must complete an institutional Application for Financial Assistance and file the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Forms are available in the Financial Aid Office. A Master Promissory Note must also be filed in the Financial Aid office.

Some students may qualify for a Tennessee Student Assistance Corporation (TSAC) loan. The Tennessee Teaching Scholars Program provides a forgivable loan of \$3,000 for post-baccalaureate students admitted to state-approved teacher education programs at a Tennessee institution of higher education who pledge to teach at the public preschool, elementary, or secondary level in Tennessee one year

for each year the award is received. Contact the Financial Aid Office for information on requirements for qualifying, how to apply, and the application deadline.

Veterans: Union University is approved to offer educational benefits to veterans, reservists, and dependents of veterans who qualify for Veterans Benefits. Any person who qualifies for the above should check with the Academic Center as soon as possible upon registration.

MASTER OF ARTS IN EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS FOR THE MA.Ed. DEGREE OPTIONS

	Required Courses	Total Credits
<p>15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100</p>	<p>15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100</p> <p>EDU 610 His & Phil Educ EDU 620 Curr Dev & Implem EDU 650 Educ Meas & Eval EDU 660 Issues & Trends in Educ EDU 670 Research Design</p>	<p>15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100</p> <p>EDU 610 Hist & Phil Educ EDU 620 Curr Dev & Implem EDU 650 Educ Meas & Eval EDU 670 Research Design EDU 675 Capstone Research Seminar</p>
<p>With the assistance of a faculty advisor, the student will select an area that will provide growth in the knowledge and methodology of that area</p>		<p>10</p>
<p>With the assistance of a faculty advisor, the student will select education courses that will increase the student's professional knowledge and skills</p>		<p>11</p>
<p>With the assistance of a faculty advisor, the student will select additional courses in either education or the specialty area.</p>		

615 Seminar and Workshop in Economic Education (3)

The seminars will focus on basic theories of economics at both the macroeconomic and microeconomic level. The workshops will stress practical applications of economic principles and basic classroom methods for teaching economics.

640 Special Studies in Business Administration (3)

Group studies which do not appear in the department course offerings. Course content will be determined by need.

655 Independent Study (1-4)

Individual research and study under the guidance of a graduate faculty member.

680 Research in Business Education A (3)

A course designed to help the student complete the individual research related to the specialty area. Specific course content will be designed to meet the program needs of the individual student.

685 Research in Business Education B (3)

A continuation of Research in Business Education A.

Chemistry (CHE) and Physics (PHY)

533 Internship (1-4)

Internship in a field situation for a specified time. Specific requirements will be arranged by the department.

585 Special Studies in Science (1-4)

Group studies which do not appear in the department course offerings. Course content will be determined by need.

598 Seminar (1-3)

A non-lecture research and discussion course. Course content will be determined by need.

640 Special Studies in Chemistry and Physics (3)

Group studies which do not appear in the department course offerings. Course content will be determined by need.

655 Independent Study (1-4)

Individual research and study under the guidance of a graduate faculty member.

680 Research in Science Education A (3)

A course designed to help the student complete the individual research related to the specialty area. Specific course content will be designed to meet the program needs of the individual student.

685 Research in Science Education B (3)

A continuation of Research in Science Education A.

Communication Arts (COM)

533 Internship (1-4)

Internship in a field situation for a specified time. Specific requirements will be arranged by the department.

585 Special Studies in Communication (1-4)

Group studies which do not appear in the department course offerings. Course content will be determined by need.

598 Seminar (1-3)

A non-lecture research and discussion course. Course content will be determined by need.

640 Special Studies in Communication Arts (3)

Group studies which do not appear in the department course offerings. Course content will be determined by need.

655 Independent Study (1-4)

Individual research and study under the guidance of a graduate faculty member.

680 Research in Communication Education A (3)

A course designed to help the student complete the individual research related to the specialty area. Specific course content will be designed to meet the program needs of the individual student.

685 Research in Communication Education B
(3)

A continuation of Research in Communication Education A.

526 Instructional Methodology for Secondary School Speech and Theatre Arts (3)

616 Children and Literature (3)

A critical analysis of each genre of literature for children as a basis for the appreciation, selection, and use of suitable materials to foster active learning, personal growth, and recreational reading. This course is intended for the student who did not take a course in children's literature as an undergraduate.

620 Curriculum Development and Implementation (3)

This course is designed to investigate the factors that have influenced and will shape the school curriculum. Various organizational patterns, trends, and issues are studied.

625 Classroom Management (3)

A study of comprehensive classroom management strategies which will center on interpersonal relationships, classroom organization and management, instruction, problem solving, behaviorism, and schoolwide discipline.

626 Reading in the Content Area (3)

Content reading skills are skills with focus. Rather than consisting of lessons to teach initial reading, content area reading builds on skills to teach strategies related to specific areas of the curriculum. Such instruction is designed to teach students the specific skills necessary to learn more effectively in science, social studies, literature, math music, and physical education. Students in this course will create materials related to their specific content area. Field Experience required.

629 Current Research in Early Childhood Education (3)

Study and analysis of current research related to children and educational programs for children, birth through grade three. Field Experience required.

630 The School and Community Relations (3)

A study of designing programs around needs and problems of the school and its special publics, dealing constructively and effectively with these needs, and promoting a positive school environment for the steady improvement of public education.

632 School Law (3)

A study of sources of school law, student rights, and legal issues affecting education.

634 School Facilities (3)

Consideration of the school plant, grounds, and major equipment in relation to the educational needs of the community; factors in site selection; procedures in planning of school buildings; principles of design and construction; architectural and contractual services; and maintenance.

640 Special Studies in Education (3)

Group studies which do not appear in the department course offerings. Course content will be determined by need.

650 Educational Measurement and Evaluation (3)

A study of the measurement of learning, attitudes and feelings, products and performances, and social interaction. Difficulty and discrimination of test items as well as validity and reliability of tests are emphasized. Descriptive statistics for sets of data are introduced.

651 Cognitive Development of the Young Child (4)

Students examine the theoretical and applied aspects of cognitive development in young children. Language development, quantitative thinking and number concepts, goals and concepts for other curriculum areas, as well as assessment principles and models are explored. Practicum required. Prerequisites: EDU 629.

655 Independent Study (1-4)

Individual research and study under the guidance of a graduate faculty member.

657 Creative Development of the Young Child (4)

Students examine the development of creativity in young children with attention given to the use of the expressive arts for early intervention, meeting curricular objectives in all areas, and programming strategies for young children with special needs. Assessment principle and models are explored. Practicum required. Prerequisites: EDU 629.

658 Middle School Design (3)

Design and implementation of instruction in the middle school with attention to the philosophy and structure of the middle school and to issues, problems and practices in building a community of learners and collaboration with colleagues and support personnel based on current research in the field. Includes Field Experience.

660 Issues and Trends in Education (3)

A course designed to research the literature related to recent developments in education, including the aims, philosophies, methods, content, and problems related to the field. Students will identify and develop a synthesis of research related to a potential line of research.

670 Research Design (3)

A study of research designs which control threats to the validity of research conclusions. Students will complete a research proposal of a significant problem in education including a review of the literature related to the problem.

675 Capstone Research Seminar (3)

An extensive review of literature and synthesis of key learning based on the student's concentration area designed to provide a culminating experience of the M.A.Ed., non-thesis option. The final product will be presented to faculty and peers. To be taken the semester before graduation. Prerequisite: Completion of graduate coursework.

680 Research in Education A (3)

A course designed to help the student complete the individual research related to the specialty area. Specific course content will be designed to meet the program needs of the individual student.

685 Research in Education B (3)

A continuation of Research in Education A.

690 Thesis A (3)

A course designed to help the student complete the master's research and thesis. Specific course content will be designed to meet the research and writing needs of the individual student.

695 Thesis B (3)

A continuation of Thesis A.

English (ENG)**533 Internship (1-4)**

Internship in a field situation for a specified time. Specific requirements will be arranged by the department.

585 Special Studies in English (1-4)

Group studies which do not appear in the department course offerings. Course content will be determined by need.

598 Seminar (1-3)

A non-lecture research and discussion course. Course content will be determined by need.

640 Special Studies in English (3)

Group studies which do not appear in the department course offerings. Course content will be determined by need.

655 Independent Study (1-4)

Individual research and study under the guidance of a graduate faculty member.

680 Research in English Education A (3)

A course designed to help the student complete the individual research related to the specialty area. Specific course content will be designed to meet the program needs of the individual student.

685 Research in English Education B (3)

A continuation of Research in ENG. 680.

History (HIS), Political Science (PSC), and Geography (GEO)**533 Internship (1-4)**

Internship in a field situation for a specified time. Specific requirements will be arranged by the department.

585 Special Studies in Social Sciences (1-4)

Group studies which do not appear in the department course offerings. Course content will be determined by need.

598 Seminar (1-3)

A non-lecture research and discussion course. Course content will be determined by need.

640 Special Studies in Social Sciences (3)

Group studies which do not appear in the department course offerings. Course content will be determined by need.

655 Independent Study (1-4)

Individual research and study under the guidance of a graduate faculty member.

680 Research in Social Science Education A (3)

A course designed to help the student complete the individual research related to the specialty area. Specific course content will be designed to meet the program needs of the individual student.

685 Research in Social Science Education B (3)

A continuation of Research in Social Science Education A.

Languages (LAN)

533 Internship (1-4)

Internship in a field situation for a specified time. Specific requirements will be arranged by the department.

585 Special Studies in Languages (1-4) 585 Independent Study (1-4)

598 Seminar (1-3)

A non-lecture research and discussion course. Course content will be determined by need.

640 Special Studies in Physical Education and Health (3)

Group studies which do not appear in the department course offerings. Course content will be determined by need.

655 Independent Study (1-4)

Individual research and study under the guidance of a graduate faculty member.

660 Issues and Trends in Physical Education Education (3)



640 Special Studies in Special Education (3)

Group studies which do not appear in the department course offerings. Course content will be determined by need.

641 Teaching Mathematics and Science to Students with Exceptionalities (3)

A study of the content, objectives, and pedagogy of instructing students with exceptionalities in the area of mathematics and science in grades K-8. Field Experience included. Prerequisite: SE 631 or 632.

645 Teaching Language Arts and Social Studies to Students with Exceptionalities (3)

A study of the content, objectives, and pedagogy of instructing students with exceptionalities in the area of language arts and social studies in grades K-8. field Experience included. Prerequisite: SE 631 or 632.

650 Current Research in Assessment of Learning Problems in the Young Child (3)

An investigation of the assessment methods for identification and diagnosis of learning problems in infants and young children and of the identification of learning problems in young children. Prerequisite: SE 631 or 632.