

## Master of Science in Elementary Education

The Master of Science in Elementary Education is designed for individuals fully certified to teach at the elementary or middle grades who wish to pursue graduate study work.

### GOALS AND PURPOSES OF THE PROGRAM

The goals of this MSED program are to provide expertise in the following areas:

- Education beyond the bachelor's degree for licensed teachers through advanced courses, seminars, and research; thereby improving instruction at the elementary/middle school level.
- Opportunity to link theory to practice, work collaboratively with peers, inquire into problems, reflect on and evaluate learning outcomes.

### PROFILE OF Troy University

Founded in 1887, Troy University is the second largest public university in Alabama. Some 20,000 undergraduate and **8,557 graduate students** take advantage of the university's innovative curriculum, off-campus study programs and numerous life-long learning opportunities. The Atlanta Site is a part of TROY's Global Campus, which currently operates more than 60 sites throughout the U.S. and 11 nations. Students enjoy small class sizes taught by expert faculty members – not teaching assistants – and plentiful opportunities to engage in discovery learning that promotes critical thinking and prepare students to be life-long, innovative, informed, reflective decision makers.

*The Princeton Review recently named TROY to their "Best in the Southeast" ranking.*

*Forbes.com recently named TROY one of "America's Best Schools".*

### PREREQUISITES FOR ADMISSION AS UNCONDITIONAL

- A baccalaureate degree in the appropriate teaching field.
- Licensure to teach at the elementary/middle grade levels.
- Undergraduate grade point average of 2.5 or better.
- Minimum score on GRE: 850, GMAT: 450, or MAT: 385

### REQUIREMENTS FOR ADMISSION TO THE GRADUATE PROGRAM

1. Submission of proof of baccalaureate professional education certification
2. Completion of an internship in Grades K-6 within the seven years prior to program admission *or* at least one year teaching experience in Grades K-6 within the seven years prior to program admission.
3. A grade of "B" or better in EDU 6629 The Master Teacher and PSY 6631 Psychological Foundations of Education.  
*The remaining three requirements are met through EDU 6629.*
4. Successful completion of an essay (teaching philosophy)
5. Successful completion of an oral communication presentation
6. Completion of the Self-Assessment of Professional Dispositions Checklist (SAPDC). Candidates will develop a professional development plan based on the results of the SAPDC

Candidates are restricted to nine semester hours of graduate course work prior to admission to the Graduate Teacher Education Program (GTEP). Students are strongly encouraged to take EDU 6629 within the first nine hours of graduate course work.

### REQUIREMENTS FOR THE PROGRAM

After admission to the program the student must complete 12 graduate courses, which is equivalent to 36 semester hours of graduate work. The courses are as follow:

#### Common Required Core:

EDU 6629 – Master Teacher  
EDU 6611 – Educational Technology in the Curriculum  
PSY 6631 – Psychological Foundations of Education  
SPE 6630 – Collaboration for Inclusion  
EDU 6653 – Educational Evaluation  
EDU 6691 – Research Methodology

#### Teaching Field Courses:

ELE 6602 – Seminar in Mathematics Education  
ELE 6603 – Seminar in Science Education  
ELE 6604 – Seminar in Language Arts Education  
ELE 6605 – Seminar in Social Science Education  
ELE 6601 – Art of Teaching Writing

SPE 6640 – Teaching Diverse Learners  
or  
RED 6678 – Literacy and Multicultural Diversity

## **ADMISSION APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS**

To apply to the Master of Science in Elementary Education program, an applicant must submit the following documents:

- A complete application for graduate admission along with the application fee.
- Official transcripts from all post-secondary institutions previously attended.
- A copy of your certification to teach.
- Notarized Supplemental Experience Form

## **FOR MORE INFORMATION**

To learn more about the Master of Science in elementary education degree program at Troy University, please contact:

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## **ACCREDITATION**

Troy University is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of The Southern Association of Colleges and Schools to award associate, bachelor's, master's and the education specialist degrees. Contact the commission on Colleges and Schools at 1866 Southern Lane, Decatur Georgia 30033-4097 or call 404-679-4500 for questions regarding the accreditation status of the institution or if there is evidence that appears to support Troy University's significant non-compliance with a requirement or standard.



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**Classes are now forming for January 2010!**

*Application deadline: December 11, 2009*