

# **GRADUATE CATALOG**

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# Mission Statement

## **PUBLIC HIGHER EDUCATION SYSTEM MISSION STATEMENT**

The public college and university system in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts comprises fifteen community colleges, nine state colleges and the five campuses of the University of Massachusetts. The system exists to provide accessible, affordable, relevant, and rigorous academic programs that adapt to meet changing individual and societal needs for education and employment. All campuses are committed to operating effectively and efficiently in order to maintain tuition and fees at a level as low as possible, while providing a high-quality education to every student who qualifies for admission. The public system is committed to continuous improvement and accountability in all aspects of teaching and learning. The Board of Higher Education and institutional boards of trustees recognize their responsibilities to the taxpayers and residents of Massachusetts in the performance of their roles and responsibilities. Massachusetts public higher education is a system with a distinguished past, increasing pride, and unlimited potential.

## **STATE UNIVERSITY MISSION STATEMENT**

There are six comprehensive state universities - Bridgewater State University, Fitchburg State University, Framingham State University, Salem State University, Westfield State University, and Worcester State University - and three specialized colleges - Massachusetts College of Art and Design (MassArt), Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts and Massachusetts Maritime Academy. All institutions integrate liberal arts and sciences programs with professional education, and the three specialized colleges also focus on academic areas identified in the colleges' name.

Each institution places a special emphasis on teaching and lifelong learning, and promotes a campus life that fosters intellectual, social and ethical development. Committed to excellence in instruction and to providing responsive, innovative and educational programs of high quality, they seek to develop each student's critical thinking, quantitative, oral and written communications skills, and practical appreciation of the arts, sciences and humanities as they affect good citizenship and an improved quality of life. The state system provides a campus environment where the ideas, values, perspectives and contributions of all students are respected.

Massachusetts state universities & colleges are strategically located to facilitate access to baccalaureate and master's degree programs for Commonwealth residents who meet their high standards for admission. In recognition of their responsibilities to Massachusetts taxpayers to manage their resources efficiently and to maintain tuition and fees at a level as low as possible, each campus has a distinctive academic focus based upon its established strengths and regional and state needs. Each institution is a leader and resource for the community and contributes to the region's cultural, environmental, and economic development.

## FRAMINGHAM STATE UNIVERSITY MISSION STATEMENT

Framingham State University prepares students for a productive life, enhanced by learning and leadership that will contribute to the culturally diverse world of the twenty-first century.

Founded by Horace Mann in 1839 as America's first public teachers' school, Framingham State University today offers undergraduate and graduate programs encompassing the arts and sciences and professional studies.

Committed to excellence, the Framingham State University learning community comprises teacher-scholars, librarians, students, and staff who promote free inquiry, the respectful exchange of ideas, ethical conduct, and the belief that diversity in its many forms is essential to the educational experience. In an environment that supports active, collaborative learning, students work closely with faculty to engage significant bodies of knowledge and develop their ability to gather and evaluate information, communicate effectively, think critically and creatively, reason quantitatively, and apply information and emerging technologies.

At Framingham State University teaching is the primary role of faculty, who engage in their disciplines through instruction, scholarship, and service on campus and in their professional communities. The University serves as an important educational and cultural center in the MetroWest region of Massachusetts.

A Framingham State University education cultivates thoughtful, responsible local and global citizens, prepares students for a career, and positions them for success.

## FRAMINGHAM STATE UNIVERSITY VISION STATEMENT

Framingham State University Our vision is to create a vibrant and innovative educational environment that is dedicated to academic excellence, ethical citizenship, personal and professional growth, global stewardship, and public purpose and commitment through an inclusive and collaborative community.

## FRAMINGHAM STATE UNIVERSITY CORE VALUES

The following shared core values direct our thinking, planning, actions, and initiatives:

- *Academic Excellence:* We strive to inspire a culture informed by the joy and work of learning, in which curiosity, discovery, innovation, and excellence are the driving forces in everything we do.
- *Ethical Citizenship:* We seek to foster a culture of ethics, integrity and respect, such that it creates the fertile ground that motivates our work and work ethic.
- *Personal and Professional Growth:* We aspire to create a nurturing culture where all thrive and are supported in their own paths toward lifelong growth and leadership in personal and professional ways.
- *Global Stewardship:* We endeavor to advance global understanding, empathy and stewardship for people and the environment, embracing diversity and a sense of community in both local and global settings.
- *Public Purpose and Commitment:* We strive to construct a community that is committed to public purpose, informed action and service.
- *Inclusive and Collaborative Community:* We seek to encourage a supportive, diverse, collaborative and cohesive environment in which we learn from each other through informed, clear, and open communication.

## The History of Framingham State University

Framingham State University began in a building, still standing today, on the corner of Lexington Common on July 3, 1839. It had as its mission the training of teachers, and was the first state-supported normal school (a school which trains teachers) in the United States of America. Twice it outgrew its accommodations, moving first to West Newton and then to its present location on Bare Hill in Framingham in 1853. From the beginning, the Normal School met the challenge of being the first model by educating teachers who were in demand for the common schools of Massachusetts and, indeed, for schools throughout the nation. From the first class, Normal School graduates participated in the new field of education for the blind and the deaf. They traveled to the South and to the West to teach in schools being established for Blacks and Native Americans, and they went as missionaries to distant lands.

From 1848 to 1898 Framingham also conducted an advanced program for women who aspired to careers in high school and college teaching, school administration, law and medicine, opening unprecedented educational and career opportunities for these women. There were principals, professors, doctors, and writers among the early graduates, and women who participated in the suffrage and temperance movements; indeed, in all of the significant educational and social reforms of the nineteenth century. At the close of the nineteenth century, the first teachers of the household arts were graduated from a new program at Framingham, laying the foundation for studies in nutrition and food science, as well as clothing and textiles.

The student body increased steadily during the twentieth century and with it the size of the campus and the number of buildings. New programs and courses marked the increasingly professional character of the education offered, while extracurricular organizations were formed to enrich student life. In 1932 the Massachusetts Normal Schools became the State Teachers Colleges, and in 1960 they became State Colleges with a mandate to develop liberal arts curricula. Framingham, which had served only women, became coeducational in 1964. The University has continued to add departments such as Economics, Sociology, and Psychology, as well as career-orientated programs in Computer Science, Communications, Business Administration, and Nursing, among others, to increase the options for students and to meet the needs of the Commonwealth. In 2010, the Governor signed legislation changing the State Colleges to State Universities.

Today, Framingham State University is situated on a beautiful 54-acre campus in the suburban town of Framingham. The University's location in the economically vibrant Metro West area affords many opportunities for students and graduates alike. Approximately 3,500 full- and part-time students with 39 bachelor's degree programs and 25 master's degree programs are enrolled at the University.

# Graduate Admissions

The following are general requirements for admission to any of the graduate programs at Framingham State University. Students should review the specific requirements for admission to the particular program they are interested in as provided later in this catalog.

## APPLICATION

Applicants must possess an undergraduate degree from a regionally accredited institution of higher education and submit an official copy of their undergraduate transcripts. Two (2) letters of recommendation are required (three (3) for the program in Counseling Psychology). One letter must be from an employer or supervisor, and the other must be from faculty member who has taught the candidate at the collegiate level if the candidate attended classes in the last five years. Also required is a statement expressing the applicant's reasons for seeking to undertake graduate study in the chosen area. Admission for most master's programs (except Counseling Psychology, Nursing Education, Nursing Leadership, and Nursing Case Management) is on a rolling basis; however, students seeking admission for fall semester should have a complete application on file by July 1st, for the spring semester should have a complete application on file by December 1st and summer semester by April 15th. Applications completed or received after these dates cannot be guaranteed timely matriculation.

Where required by the program, applicants must submit an official copy of the results of the Graduate Management Admission Test (GMAT), Graduate Record Examination (GRE), or the Miller Analogies Test (MAT) **taken within the last five (5) years**. In some programs, the exams are not required depending on an applicant's status and program of choice. In addition, applicants with an advanced degree from a regionally accredited United States institution (or for international students – the equivalent of a United States master's degree) or who have completed a Framingham State University Graduate Certificate program may be exempt from these exams. Proper documentation at time of application will be required to be considered for this exemption. Applicants should check the program requirements for specific test information as well as checking with the Office of Graduate Admissions regarding exemption eligibility.

Those students whose native language is not English must provide sufficient proof of English proficiency by taking one of the follow exams and achieving the approved minimum score within the 6 months prior to application submission:

- TOEFL (85 IBT / 580 PBT)
- Pearson-PTE Academic (55)
- Duolingo (110)
- IELTS (6.5)
- Michigan-MET (60)
- STEP-Eiken (Grade 1)
- ITEP (4.0)
- Cambridge-English / CEFR (C1)

English testing requirements may be waived, if the applicant has successfully completed at least two (2) full academic years in a college/university where the primary instruction is in English or has successfully completed advanced coursework in the English Language Program (ELP) at Framingham State University or at a comparable, approved partner ESL program at the discretion of the FSU Director of International Recruitment and Director of English Language Programs and received an instructor's or administrator's letter of recommendation of readiness of English proficiency.

Graduate Applications are available from the Office of Graduate Admissions at 508-626-4501, or online at [www.framingham.edu/gradadmissions](http://www.framingham.edu/gradadmissions). Applications are accepted year-round. Students may begin most programs of study in September (Fall term) or January (Spring term) or May (Summer term).

Programmatic academic advisors are available to provide further information about the application process, degree programs, and course scheduling. For further information about Framingham State University graduate degree programs, and/or to make an appointment with a programmatic academic advisor, contact 508-626-4540 or visit [www.framingham.edu/gradadmissions](http://www.framingham.edu/gradadmissions).



**COURSES TAKEN BEFORE ADMISSION**

Students may elect to enroll in no more than two graduate courses before formal admission to a master's program. Courses taken before admission must be completed with a grade of B- (2.70) or better if they are to be applied toward a graduate program. Such courses must have been completed no more than five (5) years prior to the date of formal admission to Framingham State University. Exceptions may only be made by the Graduate Admissions committee. Students are required to complete the curriculum under the degree program in place when they are formally admitted. Since curriculum changes may occur, courses taken prior to matriculation might not apply toward the degree program.

**F-1 STUDENT VISA STATUS**

Students admitted into a graduate program on an F-1 Student Visa are required to enroll full-time during the fall and spring semesters. Students in the M.B.A program are encouraged to also enroll full-time during the summer terms if the intent is to complete the program in 16 continuous months.

**TRANSFER COURSES**

Transfer credit for prior graduate coursework completed at another regionally-accredited college or university will be considered at the time of admission based on course descriptions and documentation submitted with the student's application. Matriculated graduate students are expected to complete all coursework at Framingham State University. Under extenuating circumstances, students may request permission to take a course for transfer credit after admission, and must obtain prior approval in writing from both the program advisor and the Dean of Graduate Studies. Courses accepted in transfer credit must meet the academic criteria established by Framingham State University.

Transfer credit is limited to two (2) graduate courses and must have been completed with a grade of B (3.00 on a 4.00 scale) or better provided they were earned no more than five (5) years prior to the date of admission to Framingham State University. Exceptions may only be made by the graduate admissions committee.

Transfer credit will be allowed on a course basis. An exception is the program in Counseling Psychology where licensure requirements mandate the acceptance of only four semester hour courses. Students wishing to transfer courses valued at less than three semester hours may do so but in a ratio that guarantees that the equivalent credit hours of the transfer coursework equal or exceed those of Framingham State University courses replaced. Transfer credit will not be given for life experiences, noncredit, or undergraduate educational experiences. Professional development courses, even at the graduate level, will not be accepted in transfer toward a master's degree at the University.

**GRADUATE READMISSION POLICY**

A graduate student in good standing who withdraws from the University, or who becomes inactive, may apply for readmission within three years of the last semester attended. A student is defined to be in good standing if he or she was not subject to dismissal at the time of withdrawal. The application for readmission should be submitted at least one month prior to registration for graduate evening or online courses and a full semester ahead for graduate Day Division courses. There is no application fee required for readmission within three years. Students who are readmitted must meet the degree requirements and policies in the Graduate Catalog in effect at the time of readmission. Students must also complete their entire program in the time limit allowed for that program including the time of inactivity. Students should refer to the Time Limit Policy for time limits on coursework applied toward the degree. Students must enroll for the semester in which their readmission is effective.

If a student has been inactive for three years or longer, they are required to submit a new Application for Graduate Admission and application fee with updated documentation including a new statement of purpose, transcripts for courses taken at other institutions since being enrolled at Framingham State University, letters of recommendation and cover sheets, and any other documents as required for admittance to their intended program of study. Because of the length of inactivity, it may not be possible to complete all courses in the program of study within the time limit. Students may be required to take additional coursework, or repeat some prior coursework at the discretion of the Program Coordinator and Dean of Graduate Studies.

# Post-Baccalaureate Teacher Licensure Program

Framingham State University offers the following Post-Baccalaureate Teacher Licensure (PBTL) programs leading to the Massachusetts Initial Teaching License.

## **INITIAL LICENSURE AVAILABLE THROUGH PBTL:**

Biology – Grades 8-12  
Chemistry – Grades 8-12  
Early Childhood – Grades PreK-2  
Earth & Space Science – Grades 8-12  
Elementary – Grades 1-6  
English – Grades 5-12  
Foreign Language: Spanish – Grades 5-12  
General Science – Grades 5-8  
History/Social Studies – Grades 5-12  
Mathematics - Grades 5-8, 8-12  
Middle School: Mathematics/Science – Grades 5-8  
Physics – Grades 8-12  
Visual Art – Grades PreK-8  
Visual Art – Grades 5-12

## **TEACHER LICENSURE IN MASSACHUSETTS**

Massachusetts has several levels of teacher licensure. The PBTL Program prepares students for the Initial License with its coursework, field-based experiences, and supervised practicum. The Initial License has a life of five (5) years of teaching. The professional license may be earned by adding an appropriate master's program.

The requirements mandated by Massachusetts are a major effort to strengthen the preparation of teachers and administrators in the schools. Framingham State University has responded by adjusting the requirements in its programs. It will continue to do so, as it simultaneously seeks to protect the interests of its students while remaining in compliance with state regulations. All information in this bulletin is accurate as of press time and is subject to any further change in state laws and regulations.

Further information about the PBTL Program may be obtained from the Office of Graduate Admissions.

## **SECONDARY EDUCATION ACADEMIC SUBJECT LICENSES**

For those preparing to teach visual art, biology, chemistry, earth science, English, general science, history, mathematics, physics, or Spanish, applications are considered on an individual basis in accordance with the subject matter knowledge specified in Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education Regulations and the program requirements of Framingham State University. Each department affiliated with a secondary education program determines the subject matter requirements needed for recommendation to the state for licensure.

### **EARLY CHILDHOOD (GRADES PRE-K-2) OR ELEMENTARY EDUCATION (GRADES 1-6)**

The focus of the PBTL program at the early childhood or elementary level is on teaching methods. However, adequate preparation in the humanities, natural sciences, social sciences, and mathematics is necessary to establish the groundwork for success in the classroom. Candidates lacking sufficient preparation in any area will be asked to make up deficiencies.

### **APPLICATION PROCESS**

Applications are accepted year round and students may begin a program any semester. Prospective students apply for the Post Baccalaureate Teacher Licensure Program through the Office of Graduate Studies. Application requires a fee of \$50.00, transcripts of college work from all previous colleges, and two letters of recommendation. Documentation of any work experience in public schools, including dates, should be submitted at this time. For an application to the PBTL program, please call Graduate Admissions at 508-626- 4528 or apply online at [www.framingham.edu/dgce](http://www.framingham.edu/dgce).

### **ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

Admission to the PBTL Program requires a baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited college or university and a passing score on the Communication and Literacy portion of the Massachusetts Test for Educator Licensure (MTEL). A minimum undergraduate overall grade point average of 2.80 is required. PBTL candidates with deficiencies in the liberal arts or sciences will be required to take appropriate courses in the humanities, natural sciences, social sciences, and mathematics before admittance to more advanced studies in the PBTL education sequence involving teaching method and practice.

The Education Department maintains a student's licensure folder for any PBTL applicant who began the licensure sequence as an undergraduate at FSU. This folder contains evaluations on education classroom performance and professional attributes appropriate for teachers as well as academic achievement. Therefore, the existing licensure folder for a PBTL applicant will be reviewed, in conjunction with the PBTL program application, by the appropriate admissions committee for the license sought. Where any questions arise, the appropriate admissions committee reserves the right to discuss the contents of the student's licensure file with the PBTL applicant.

### **MASSACHUSETTS TEST FOR EDUCATOR LICENSURE**

The Commonwealth presently administers MTEL examinations several times a year. The deadline to register for the exams takes place approximately six (6) weeks before the examination is given. For further information and to register, please visit [www.mtel.nesinc.com](http://www.mtel.nesinc.com).

### **FOUNDATIONS OF READING TEST**

Although a passing score on the Foundations of Reading Test is not a requirement to apply for the PBTL Program, it is a requirement for student teaching practicum and the Initial License in early childhood and elementary education.

### **SUBJECT MATTER KNOWLEDGE TEST**

Although a passing score on the Subject Matter Knowledge Test is not a requirement to apply for the PBTL Program, it is a requirement for student teaching practicum and the Initial License in that subject matter.

## **MASSACHUSETTS TEST FOR EDUCATION LICENSURE (MTEL) PREPARATION WORKSHOPS**

Framingham State University conducts MTEL Preparation Workshops for the Communication and Literacy Skills Test and Foundations of Reading Test. Please contact Continuing Education at 508-626-4603 for further information, or visit [www.framingham.edu/dgce](http://www.framingham.edu/dgce).

## **STUDIES IN EDUCATION**

All students in the PBTL program must take coursework in teaching methods, development and learning, and foundational studies dealing with the nature of schooling in our society. The precise courses differ according to the licensure sought, but all PBTL secondary education programs include the following core courses:

EDIL 900 Field Study I in Education and Seminar

EDIL 910 Education Foundations

EDIL 920 Learning and Human Development

TESL 910 Sheltered English Immersion \*

Enrollment in EDIL 900 Field Study I in Education and Seminar requires that students have (a) already completed or be currently enrolled in EDIL 910 Education Foundations or EDIL 920 Learning and Human Development; and (b) submitted an application to the PBTL program.

*\*NOTE: All students, with the exception of those pursuing licensure in Foreign Language, must also complete a "Sheltered English Immersion" course.*

## **IN-SCHOOL EXPERIENCE**

There are presently three or four in-school or "field" experiences, depending on the license sought. Only students matriculated in the PBTL program may enroll in Field Study II and III, and student teaching practicum. The first field experience focuses principally on observation. The second, and in the case of elementary and early childhood programs the third as well, are part of teaching methods courses and involve taking on some real teaching responsibility. (These first experiences are designated Field Study I, II, and III.) The fourth experience (the third for subjects other than elementary and early childhood) is the student teaching practicum. It requires a semester's full-time commitment. PBTL students preparing for an Initial License may apply to use a semester of employment by a cooperating school district either as a teacher of record or as an aide in the field and at the level of the license sought. Students must be so employed at the time of application and have completed all other program and college requirements. The University's Education Department will review applications on a case by case basis.

# Graduate Academic Policies and Regulations

## ENROLLMENT STATUS

### Non-Matriculated Students

Non-matriculated students may enroll in no more than two (2) graduate courses before formal admission to a master's program. Since curriculum changes occur, prospective students are advised that the two courses taken prior to matriculation may not always apply to the degree program in place once students are accepted.

*NOTE: Only students admitted into the Master of Business Administration (M.B.A.) program or Master of Science in Nursing (M.S.N.) program may enroll in the courses required for each respective program. Non-matriculated students are not permitted to enroll in graduate level courses in either of these programs.*

### Matriculated Students

Students who have met all admission requirements of the graduate program, have received a letter of acceptance from the University, submitted the required Admissions Deposit, and enrolled in courses for the semester for which they were admitted will be considered matriculated.

Graduate students admitted to a master's program must enroll in courses in the semester in which they were admitted. If a student chooses not to enroll, they may defer admission for up to two semesters, not including summer. Please check with Graduate Admissions as some programs only allow fall semester admission.

### Inactive Students

All continuing matriculated graduate students (not newly matriculated) must enroll in at least one course in both the fall and spring semesters in order to remain active in their program. Students matriculated in either the Master of Arts, concentration in Counseling Psychology or the Master of Business Administration must also enroll in at least one course during the summer term. If a student elects to take a semester off, a formal Leave of Absence Application (see policy) must be submitted two weeks prior to the semester and approved by the Office of Graduate Studies.

A student who does not request a leave of absence and elects not to enroll in at least one course during the fall or the spring semesters (or summer term for students matriculated in the Master of Arts, concentration in Counseling Psychology or Master of Business Administration) will become inactive at the University. Inactive students must apply for re-admission prior to the start of the semester when seeking to return to active status. Students returning to a program after being away for more than two consecutive semesters (excluding summer except for the two aforementioned programs) are subject to the new program requirements upon their return.

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## TIME LIMITS

### Completion of Programs of 10 courses or less:

All requirements for the degree program must be completed within six (6) years from the end of the semester in which the student is first matriculated in a master's program.

### Completion of Programs of more than 10 courses:

Master of Business Administration: All requirements for the degree must be completed within six (6) years from the end of the semester in which the student is first matriculated in the master's program.

Master of Arts (Counseling Psychology, Educational Leadership), Master of Education (Special Education), and Master of Science (Food and Nutrition, Coordinated Program in Dietetics): All requirements for the degree program must be completed within eight (8) years from the end of the semester in which the student is first matriculated in the master's program.

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## ACADEMIC COURSE LOAD

The Graduate School defines full-time graduate student status as enrollment in two (2) or more course credits per fall and spring semester as well as the summer term for financial aid and loan deferment purposes; and half-time graduate student status as one (1) course credit.

Graduate students enrolled in the Day Division may enroll in up to four (4) course credits per semester. A student carrying three or more course-credits in the Day Division must pay all charges and fulfill all responsibilities accordingly. Note: Students in a graduate assistant position may not enroll in more than three (3) course credits.

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## CLASS ATTENDANCE

Graduate students are expected to attend all class sessions. In circumstances when a student cannot attend, the instructor should be notified at the previous class meeting. Veterans receiving VA benefits must attend regularly in order to ensure their benefits. Students receiving Financial Aid must attend regularly in order to ensure their Financial Aid.

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## CLASS ABSENCE BECAUSE OF RELIGIOUS BELIEFS

Any student in an educational or vocational training institution, other than a religious or denominational educational or vocational training institution, who is unable, because of his religious beliefs, to attend classes or to participate in any examination, study or work requirement on a particular day, shall be excused from any such examination or study or work requirement, and shall be provided with an opportunity to make up such examination, study or work requirement which he may have missed because of such absence on any particular day; provided, however, that such makeup examination or work shall not create an unreasonable burden upon such school. No fees of any kind shall be charged by the institution for making available to the said student such opportunity. No adverse or prejudicial effects shall result to any student because of his availing himself of the provisions of this section.” (Massachusetts General Laws, Chapter 151C, Section 2B).

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## CLASSROOM CONDUCT POLICY

### Preamble

Framingham State University supports the principles of freedom of expression for both faculty and students. In order to maintain these principles, all students and course instructors are entitled to a safe, positive, and constructive teaching and learning environment. Disruptive or dangerous behaviors in classrooms and other academic settings can disturb teaching and learning, and these behaviors will not be tolerated. Any individual who engages in disruptive or dangerous behaviors in classrooms may be subject to disciplinary action in accordance with the Classroom Conduct Policy found in the University undergraduate catalog.

### Consistent with the principles described in the FSU Student Code of Conduct:

*“The University has the power and responsibility to take proper disciplinary action against students whose behavior threatens or disrupts the mission of the University. This is the general principle governing the jurisdiction of the disciplinary authorities of the University. It means that the disciplinary powers of the University extend to behavior that disrupts the educational process and other activities that are recognized as the lawful mission of the University. It also means that it extends to behavior that violates the peace and order of the University in such a manner that members of the University cannot go about their proper business secure in their persons and property.”*

This policy applies to all learning environments and modalities including the traditional classroom, online courses, laboratory settings, practicum and internship assignments and University sponsored off-campus learning activities (“field trips”).

Examples of disruptive or dangerous language and/or behavior, consistent with those noted in the Student Code of Conduct, are listed below and may be addressed and restricted to the extent that the behavior interferes with the teaching and learning process. This is not an exhaustive list. Faculty are encouraged to include language about expectations for classroom conduct in their syllabi and may choose to use these examples at their discretion.

- The use of derogatory, vulgar, and insulting language directed at an individual or group.
- Unsolicited, disruptive talking, noises, or behaviors in class, such as crosstalk or carrying on side conversations.
- Engagement in unyielding argument or debate. Frequent interruptions of the course instructor or students.
- Making rude, disrespectful, or inappropriate comments in class.
- Disruptive or distracting use of mobile technology or laptops that is not related to a classroom or academic activity
- The failure to comply with a reasonable request made by a course instructor.

Examples of Disruptive Behaviors Associated with online/hybrid classes – consistent with the University’s Acceptable Use Policy.

- Posting rude, disrespectful, offensive, or inappropriate comments, photos, or videos on discussion boards.
- Unauthorized sharing of information posted in a course discussion board

- Intentionally posting links to websites that are not relevant or helpful to the course materials.
- Any violation of the University's Acceptable Use Policy.

Examples of Dangerous Behavior

- Violations of the FSU Student Code of Conduct that occur in the classroom or learning environment.
- Directly communicated threats of imminent harm
- Self-injurious behavior during class
- Physical assault that is threatened or in progress during class
- Throwing objects or slamming doors during class

For Dangerous Behavior, faculty should contact University Police. After notification of University Police, the faculty member should notify the department chair and academic dean and then follow the procedures outlined above for disruptive behavior.

**Progressive Approach to Handling Disruptive Behaviors**

A progressive approach to handling disruptive behavior gives the student the opportunity to modify their behavior. It also gives the student time to seek out appropriate assistance from the Center for Academic Success and Achievement, the Office of the Dean of Students, or the Counseling Center if applicable.

For Disruptive Behavior, course instructors should pursue the following steps:

For the first reported incident:

1. The faculty member reports the incident of disruptive behavior in their class to the department chair, using the Disruptive Classroom Behavior Reporting Form.
2. This form will be filed in the Office of Academic Affairs.
3. The faculty member, department chair, and academic dean should communicate regarding the incident within 24 hours and prior to the next class period whenever possible.
4. Next steps are identified through collaboration among the faculty member, department chair, and academic dean prior to the next class period whenever possible. Depending on the severity of disruption, intervention options, which may be used separately or in combination, include the following:
  - a) The department chair follows up with the student and discusses resources available for support. The faculty member has the option to attend this meeting.
  - b) If advised by the chair or dean, depending on the severity of the incident, the faculty member submits a report to the Student Assistance Team (SAT).
  - c) The faculty member contacts the Office of Community Standards to file a complaint or to consult and receive assistance.
  - d) The faculty member contacts the Title IX Coordinator for students if the case involves allegations of discrimination, discriminatory harassment, sexual harassment, and/or gender-based harassment.
  - e) The academic dean notifies the Provost as needed.

For any Subsequent Event in the Same Class:

1. The faculty member reports a second or subsequent occurrence with this student on the Disruptive Behavior Reporting Form. The form should be forwarded to the chair and the academic dean within 24 hours of the incident. This form will be filed in the Office of Academic Affairs.
2. The student may be asked not to return to class until the involved parties have a chance to consult.
3. Prior to the next class meeting, the academic dean will contact the faculty member and the department chair to obtain additional information and consult. The academic dean will communicate with all parties involved through the duration of the removal from class (if the incident is not resolved prior to the next class meeting). A determination should be made within three business days.
4. After the consultation, the academic dean will consult with the Dean of Students and other parties as appropriate and may pursue formal academic disciplinary action.
5. If formal academic disciplinary action is warranted, the academic dean will contact the student in order to address any allegations.
6. The academic dean will follow up with the faculty member and department chair to communicate next steps or final outcomes.
7. Once a decision has been made, the academic dean will inform appropriate parties of outcome if necessary and appropriate (e.g. Office of Financial Aid, Office of Student Accounts, Dean of Students, Registrar, University Police).
8. The student may appeal any formal academic disciplinary action to the Dean of Students and Provost/Vice-President for Academic Affairs.

### **Appeal of Formal Academic Disciplinary Action**

The student has five business days to submit a written appeal of the formal academic disciplinary action to the review board, which consists of the Dean of Students and the Provost/Vice-President for Academic Affairs. The grounds for the appeal are limited to

- A claim of a procedural error within the investigation and resolution process that would substantially change the outcome; or
- A consideration of new evidence that was not known at the time of the investigation that would substantially change the outcome.

All appeal decisions are final.

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### **ENROLLMENT STATUS BETWEEN CONTINUING EDUCATION AND DAY DIVISION**

The Office of Graduate Studies & Continuing Education (GCE) and the Day Division are separate fiscal entities and tuition paid to one will not cover tuition owed to the other.

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### **DIRECTED STUDY**

Students who wish to take a regular university course in a term when it is not offered may seek to do so through a directed study option. However, students must understand that, because the appropriate FSU faculty must be available and approvals must be granted, the option of directed study for a particular course is not always available. In directed study, the FSU faculty member must agree to provide the student with close supervision, in achieving the same course objectives that would have been accomplished had the student taken the course on a regular class basis. Permission for directed study must be obtained from the subject/course faculty supervisor and the course department chair. Forms for enrolling in directed study are available at the Office of the University Registrar. The completed forms must be submitted to the office of the university registrar prior to the end of the course add/drop at the start of the semester. Directed study courses will appear on the student's course history with the actual course prefix, number, and title as found in the catalog.

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### **INDEPENDENT STUDY**

Independent Study, which is faculty-supervised research or readings into areas of study outside the current curriculum, offers students the opportunity to investigate a research topic or readings independently, under the close supervision of a FSU faculty member. Independent Study will only be approved for research into areas of study that do not duplicate the University's current curriculum of courses. The student will be responsible for meeting the departmental requirements of the Independent Study as outlined in the catalog description and approved by the FSU faculty supervisor and the course department chair. The FSU faculty sponsor will assume responsibility for coordinating the Independent Study, evaluating its results, and determining an appropriate grade. Forms for enrolling in Independent Study are available at the Office of the University Registrar. The completed forms must be submitted to the Office of the University Registrar prior to the end of the Course Add/Drop at the start of the semester. Independent Study topics will be so designated on the student's transcript.

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### **PRACTICUM/INTERNSHIPS**

All applications for Practicum or Internship Programs require prior approval by the Dean and Program Advisor. In considering candidates for approval, the University reserves the right to evaluate the candidate's suitability to pursue a career in the field for which the experience has been designed.

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### **ACADEMIC ADVISING**

Graduate students are assigned a graduate advisor at the time they receive admission to a graduate program. The graduate program advisor will have the responsibility of advising the student in completing the graduate degree requirements. It is recommended that students meet with their advisor each semester, but no less than once per academic year. Students are expected to view their degree audit, accessed via myFramingham, prior to meeting with their graduate program advisor.



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## CHANGE OF PROGRAM CONCENTRATION

A student who has been admitted to a degree program and wishes to be admitted to another degree program will be treated as a new applicant. A letter of intent stating the reason for the request must be submitted along with a new application. Another application fee is also required. No new transcripts need to be sent unless requested, but, depending upon the program applied to, new letters of recommendation and new scores from appropriate examinations may be required. Not all courses completed in one program may be transferable to another program.

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## SECOND MASTER'S DEGREE

Students who have earned either a Master of Education (M.Ed.) or Master of Arts (M.A.) with a concentration in Educational Leadership degree at Framingham State University may apply the three education common core courses to a second Master of Education degree. Students will be required to complete all other degree requirements for the second master's program. Time limits may apply.

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## LEAVE OF ABSENCE POLICY

Applicable to either a matriculated graduate student or Post-Baccalaureate Teacher Licensure Candidate (PBTL).

A Leave of Absence request and approval is required for either the Fall or Spring semester of the Academic Year (*Summer terms are excluded except for the MBA, MCO and MSN programs*) for which the student does not enroll in courses. Leaves will not be granted for more than one semester at a time. A Leave of Absence may not be longer than one semester (*excludes Summer terms except for MBA, MCO and MSN programs*). A student may not request any more than four (4) Leaves of Absence. The policy regarding time limits for program completion is not affected by an approved Leave of Absence. Leaves of Absence are available for consideration *only* to continuing graduate students in good standing (minimum 3.00 GPA). Students should consult with their program coordinator to determine if the Leave of Absence is appropriate.

For students on an approved Leave of Absence, registration information will be sent to both the FSU email account and personal email account on file prior to the start of the next registration period and approximately two weeks prior to the term the student is scheduled to return. In order to remain active in the program before the Leave of Absence expires, the student must enroll in courses for the upcoming semester.

Should the student not register once the Leave of Absence expires, the student will become Inactive at the University and will need to apply for Re-admission in order to resume their program of study.

**Timeline** A Leave of Absence request must be submitted no later than two (2) weeks prior to the semester for which the Leave of Absence is requested.

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## WITHDRAWAL FROM THE UNIVERSITY OR DISCONTINUANCE OF STUDY

Matriculated graduate students who wish to withdraw from their graduate program at the end of a semester must notify the University Registrar and the Office of Graduate Studies in writing (an email from the student's FSU student email account will suffice). Students who withdraw ("W") from all courses during a semester may do so online through the student portal, myFramingham. By doing so, the student is effectively withdrawing from the University and will be reported as such for financial aid purposes. When this occurs, the student will be automatically re-admitted for the subsequent spring or fall semester (or summer term enrollment is required by the particular graduate program).

Matriculated graduate students who did not apply for a Leave of Absence, if eligible, and do not enroll for the semester, are reported as withdrawn from the University for financial aid purposes, will be automatically eligible for readmission for the subsequent spring or fall semester (or summer term enrollment is required by the particular graduate program).

Students who do not register for the term in which they are automatically eligible for admission will be made inactive and will be required to contact the Office of Graduate Admissions in order to submit a re-admission application prior to the start of the semester of return.

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## READMISSION

A graduate student in good standing who withdraws from the University, or who becomes inactive, may apply for readmission within three years of the last semester attended. A student is defined to be in good standing if they were not subject to dismissal at the time of withdrawal. The application for readmission should be submitted at least one month prior to registration for graduate evening or online courses and a full semester ahead for graduate Day School courses. There is no application fee required for readmission within three years. Students who are readmitted must meet the degree requirements and policies in the Graduate Catalog in effect at the time of readmission. Students must also complete their entire program in the time limit allowed for that program including the time of inactivity. Students should refer to the Time Limit Policy for time limits on coursework applied toward the degree. Students must enroll for the semester in which their readmission is effective.

If a student has been inactive for three years or longer, they are required to submit a new Application for Graduate Admission and application fee with updated documentation, including a new statement of purpose, transcripts for courses taken at other institutions since being enrolled at Framingham State University, letters of recommendation and cover sheets, and any other documents as required for admittance to their intended program of study. Because of the length of inactivity, it may not be possible to complete all courses in the program of study within the time limit. Students may be required to take additional coursework, or repeat some prior coursework at the discretion of the Program Coordinator and Dean of Graduate Studies.

If a PBTL student is seeking readmission, the existing licensure folder for a PBTL student (maintained in the Education Department) will be reviewed, in conjunction with the PBTL program readmission application, by the appropriate admissions committee for the license sought. Where any questions arise, the appropriate admissions committee reserves the right to discuss the contents of the student's licensure file with the PBTL applicant. Students must enroll for the semester in which their readmission is effective.

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## COMPREHENSIVE EXAMINATIONS

An oral, written or electronic comprehensive examination is required of students in several graduate programs and is indicated in this catalog. There is a fee of \$125.00 for each comprehensive examination and this examination should be taken during the student's final semester and requires prior approval in writing by the Office of Graduate Studies and by the members of the Examination Committee. Where required, students must receive a passing grade on both their portfolio as well as comprehensive examination in order to graduate.

The comprehensive examination is conducted by a three-member panel established in accordance with the nature of the student's program of study. Candidates pursuing the M.Ed. must have one member of the panel representing the field of education and two in the specific discipline the student has chosen. All other panel members are to comprise three members of the specific discipline. The comprehensive examination must be passed with a minimum grade of B- or the equivalent at the graduate level and is scored by each member of the panel. A majority ruling determines the results.

Once a student's comprehensive exam has been scheduled and the panel members are confirmed the following refunding rules apply:

- If a student cancels the exam more than two weeks before the scheduled exam date, the exam and commencement fees will be deferred to the next semester.
- If a student cancels the exam within two weeks of the scheduled exam date, only the commencement fee will be deferred to the next semester.
- If the University cancels the exam, the exam and commencement fees will be deferred to the next semester.
- If a student cancels the exam because of an emergency such as a death in the family, or hospitalization, a full refund may be requested by writing to the Office of Graduate Studies.

A student who fails the comprehensive examination shall be given one opportunity to take it again, after the student has made substantial progress in whatever additional work may have been prescribed by the student's advisor. Students who fail the first examination do not have the option of appealing the decision because they have the opportunity to take it a second time. The repeat comprehensive cannot be taken in the semester of failure without the approval of the Graduate Program Advisor. However, it must be completed by the end of the following semester. Students must file a new application form prior to the next application deadline. On a repeat examination, a five-member panel consisting of the College Dean or designee and three or four specialists in the specific discipline (one education representative for M.Ed. candidates) is required. Students are not allowed more than one attempt to retake the comprehensive examination.

## GRADUATION (DEGREE COMPLETION)

There is a graduation fee of \$100.00 which is required to be paid at the start of the student's final semester of enrollment (which includes the semester the comprehensive, if applicable, is taken).

There are four graduation dates per year during which diplomas are issued: August 31<sup>st</sup>, December 31<sup>st</sup>, January 31<sup>st</sup>, and May 2x. Commencement exercises are held in May. Applications for comprehensive examinations (if required in the program) and for Commencement are due during the semester preceding the semester in which the student intends to graduate.

The dates for application to graduate are as follows:

April 15 <sup>th</sup>	August graduation
August 15 <sup>th</sup>	December graduation
October 15 <sup>th</sup>	January graduation
January 15 <sup>th</sup>	May graduation

## Commencement Ceremony Participation

Participation in the Commencement ceremony does not constitute conferral of the degree. Similarly, inclusion of a student's name on such publications as the Commencement program does not confirm eligibility for the degree.

**In order to participate in Commencement, graduate students must have completed all degree requirements.**

Beginning with the Spring 2023 Commencement Ceremony, appeals of this requirement with regard to participation in Commencement ceremony may be made to the Graduate Education Council (GEC). Appeals to the Council must be submitted, in writing, no later than thirty (30) days prior to the Commencement ceremony.

## GRADING SYSTEM

Framingham State University uses the following marking system at the graduate level

Grade	Quality Points	Grade	Quality Points
A	4.00	B-	2.70
A-	3.70	C+	2.30
B+	3.30	C	2.00
B	3.00	F	0.00

*Note: Any grade below a C is recorded as an F and has 0.00 value. Pass-Fail or Satisfactory-Unsatisfactory grades are not accepted for graduate study. Only grades earned at Framingham State University are included in the student's quality grade point average. Grades are viewable online through the portal, myFramingham.*

**AU** = (Audit-no credit) A student may audit courses with the consent of the instructor. Such course enrollment will be officially reported on the student's transcript pending approval by the instructor, but the student will not receive any credit. An auditor may not participate actively in coursework. An Audit must be requested prior to the end of published course add/drop period for the term.

**MG** = Missing Grade. Final grade not yet submitted by the faculty.

**NG** = Non-Graded course.

**W** = Withdrawal from a course. Indicates withdrawal from a semester course in the third through the ninth week of the fall or spring semester (for summer term between the third and ninth class meeting).

**IR/IC** = (Incomplete Requested/Incomplete Contract Submitted) This is a temporary grade designation that has no impact on the student's grade point average.

## GRADE POINT AVERAGE

The number of grade points that a student receives in a course is determined by the letter grade (see section on Grading System for explanation of grade points). The GPA is computed by dividing the total number of grade points by the total number of course credits attempted at the University, by semester or overall total. The GPA for each semester and overall is presented in three digits, one before and two after the decimal point.

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## INCOMPLETE GRADE POLICY

The Incomplete (IC) grade may be given to a student when the instructor is satisfied that circumstances beyond the student's control prevented the student from completing the required work for the course. The grade of IC may only be awarded if it is mathematically possible for the student to pass the course with the completion of the remaining work. An incomplete cannot be considered until after the course withdrawal deadline has passed.

The student must submit a Request for Incomplete form to the instructor no later than the last day of the semester. If the instructor agrees with the request, they shall complete and sign the form. If extenuating circumstances prevent the student from completing the request form, the faculty member may initiate the incomplete request. An incomplete grade may not be considered passing for purposes of determining federal financial aid eligibility, athletic eligibility, or other purposes.

Faculty are required to assign the final grade that would be issued at the end of the semester (i.e., the final grade that will be issued if the student does not complete the work indicated on the incomplete contract form). The student and the faculty member shall agree upon a deadline for the completion of course work. The agreed upon deadline shall be no later the end of spring break for fall and wintersession courses, September 1<sup>st</sup> for spring courses and October 1<sup>st</sup> for summer courses.

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## APPROVAL TO REPEAT A GRADUATE COURSE

Subject to prior approval by the Dean of Graduate Studies, graduate students in good standing may repeat a course in which they received a grade lower than B (3.0 on a 4.00 scale). All grades, including those earned in repeated courses, will remain on the academic transcript. The same course must be repeated at Framingham State University, and may only be repeated once. Only the most recent grade, whether higher or lower than the original grade earned, will be counted toward the student's degree program. If a student fails (earns an F grade or a 0.00 on a 4.00 scale) a required course for their program in their second attempt after having failed in their first attempt, they will become academically dismissed and unable to complete their program. This decision is final.

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## GRADE APPEAL POLICY

Students have the right to discuss and review their academic performance with their instructors. Faculty have the right to establish grading standards. Faculty also have the responsibility to define general grading criteria in a course syllabus, communicate those criteria to students, and evaluate students based on those criteria.

Students may appeal final course grades (herein, grade) based on evidence of error, arbitrariness, and/or discrimination. Appeals must be based on concerns related to process and not on differences in judgment or opinion related to academic performance. The burden of proof rests on the student to demonstrate that the grade satisfies the criteria for appeal.

### Error

- The instructor made a mistake in calculating the grade.

### Arbitrariness

An arbitrary grade is considered to be one that is:

- A substantial departure from reasonable academic practice, such as arbitrarily assigning grades or determining a priori that a specified percentage of the class will receive a specific grade. To fairly represent a student's true achievement, it is understood that failing grades on assessments should receive their true percentile value.
- A grade assigned to a student on the basis of criteria that are a substantial, unreasonable, and unannounced departure from the instructor's previously articulated standards.
- A grade resulting from an instructor adding items not listed on the syllabus, except for extra credit.
- Assigned to a student by resorting to unreasonable standards different from those which were applied to other students in that section of the course.
- Motivated by judgment outside of academic performance (e.g. ill will toward the student).

### Discrimination

The University's Equal Opportunity Plan ("EO Plan") prohibits discrimination and harassment on the basis of membership in a protected class. A complaint may proceed under the Investigation and Resolution Procedures, the Title IX Informal Resolution Process, or the Title IX Formal Resolution Process outlined in the EO Plan when a student alleges that a grade was improper because of discrimination, discriminatory harassment, sexual or gender harassment, domestic or dating violence, stalking or retaliation prohibited under the EO Plan. For example, a professor making a quid pro quo arrangement or directing hate/bias speech toward students or protected classes would be some of the types of behaviors that would be indicative of a discrimination-based grade appeal.

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### **Grade Appeal Process**

If a student is filing based on discrimination, prior to initiating the grade appeal, this complaint may be filed directly with the Equal Opportunity Officer "EO Officer" or University Title IX Coordinator. A student is never required to file a complaint under the EO Plan in order to initiate the Grade Appeal Process. See "EO Appeal Process" below.

### For appeals based on error or arbitrariness:

#### **Step One: Informal Appeal to the Instructor**

If a student feels that they received a grade that is eligible for appeal, they should first contact the course instructor within four weeks of the official end of the semester or two weeks after the grades are posted, whichever is later. The student and instructor will have an informal discussion regarding the grade. If the issue is not resolved, the student moves on to Step Two.

If the course instructor is no longer teaching at the University or is otherwise unavailable, the student's initial grade complaint should go to the department chair.

#### **Step Two: Formal Appeal to the Instructor**

Within two weeks of the informal appeal decision, the student submits a formal appeal to the course instructor along with supporting documentation outlining why the grade is being appealed. The student must provide evidence that the grade satisfies the criteria for appeal. The course instructor will inform the student of the results of a further consideration of the grade in writing within two weeks of receipt of the formal complaint.

#### **Step Three: Appeal to the Graduate Program Coordinator**

If, after hearing back from the instructor, the student still believes that the grade is eligible for appeal, the student should meet with the Graduate Program Coordinator of the program in which the course was offered within two weeks after receipt of the appeal decision from the course instructor. The student will share the written appeal and documentation with the program coordinator chair. The program coordinator may meet also with the course instructor. The program coordinator may not change the grade, but the course instructor may choose to do so after their discussion with the program coordinator. The course instructor will notify the student and program coordinator in writing within two weeks of their decision, after meeting with the program coordinator.

#### **Step Four: Appeal to the Academic Dean**

If, after being informed of the course instructor's decision, the student still believes that the grade is eligible for appeal, the student may take up the matter with the academic dean of the college in which the course was offered (home department) within two weeks of receipt of the course instructor's decision. The student will share the written appeal and documentation with the academic dean. After reviewing the student's appeal and the course instructor's response(s), the academic dean will discuss the matter with the student, the course instructor and/or the department chair. The academic dean may also invite the course instructor to submit a statement. The academic dean may also decide to hold a meeting at which both the student and course instructor may respond to the other's written statements and to any questions that the academic dean wishes to pose to them. If the academic dean determines that there is no merit to the appeal, the dean shall inform the student that the grade will stand. This ends the appeal process.

#### **Step Five: Appeal to the Graduate Education Council (GEC)**

If the academic dean determines that there may be merit to the appeal, they will refer the case to the Graduate Education Council (GEC). The Chair of GEC will appoint a subcommittee consisting of three faculty members. No more than one member of this subcommittee shall be from the same department as the course instructor of the course in question. This hearing body will review the substance of the case and make recommendations regarding whether a grade change would be appropriate. The hearing body will have the authority, after a thorough review of all relevant assignments and related materials, to uphold the grade assigned by the instructor, to assign an appropriate grade, or to allow the student to accept a pass in the course rather than a letter grade.

The decision of the GEC Subcommittee is final.

*Note: In all meetings with the course instructor, graduate program coordinator, or academic dean that are part of this appeals process, the student may bring a support person of their choice except for legal counsel.*

*For appeals based on discrimination:*

If a student is filing based on discrimination, prior to initiating the grade appeal, this complaint may be filed directly with the Equal Opportunity Officer “EO Officer” or University Title IX Coordinator. A student is never required to file a complaint under the EO Plan in order to initiate the Grade Appeal Process. See “EO Appeal Process” below.

Note: If the department chair, academic dean, and/or the APC subcommittee is presented with allegations or otherwise determines that the grade appeal involves allegations of discrimination, discriminatory harassment, sexual or gender-based harassment, domestic or dating violence, stalking or retaliation as outlined in the University’s Equal Opportunity Plan (“EO Plan”), the deadline to file the formal appeal and other subsequent deadlines will be waived. These cases will be referred to the EO Officer or University Title IX Coordinator by the chair, dean, or the APC subcommittee before proceeding further. The remedy for policy violations in cases pursued under the procedures in the EO Plan may be determined and/or implemented in conjunction with Academic Affairs. If no violation of the EO Plan is found, or the student declines to file a complaint under the EO Plan, the EO Officer may refer the matter back to the grade appeal process.

EO Appeal Process: If the student elects to use the processes available under the EO Plan, the EO Officer or University Title IX Coordinator will implement the procedures as outlined in the EO Plan. The academic affairs Grade Appeal Process will be suspended pending review and determination under the EO Plan. If no violation of the EO plan is found, the EO Officer may refer the matter back to the grade appeal process. In the event of a finding of a violation of the EO Plan, the EO Officer will remand the matter to the Provost (or their designee) who will designate an appropriate person to decide the outcome of the grade appeal.

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## ACADEMIC STANDING

### Academic Average for Graduate Degrees and Certificates

Completion of a graduate degree program or graduate certificate at Framingham State University requires that all students achieve a minimum of 3.00 grade point average in graduate courses taken to satisfy program requirements. Only credits received from Framingham State University are included in this calculation. Students are expected to monitor their academic progress and will receive an academic warning if their grade point average falls below 3.00.

### Academic Warning

A student shall receive a warning the first time the cumulative grade point average falls below 3.00.

Any student who takes Framingham State University graduate courses before being admitted into a graduate program and who starts their graduate program with a graduate GPA below 3.00 is considered under academic warning. The student will receive an Academic Warning upon matriculation into the graduate program. The student is expected to draft a GPA improvement plan with their advisors.

### Academic Dismissal

A student will be dismissed from the program and unenrolled from their courses if:

- The student is placed on Academic Warning for a second semester (consecutive or otherwise).

OR

- The program’s professional standards and/or suitability committee (if in existence) has determined that the student shall not remain or progress through the program.

Upon notification of dismissal, students will have up to one semester from the date of notification to make a formal written appeal for readmission. Only students whose dismissals are the result of second academic warnings may appeal for readmission. Students must submit appeals using the online form provided on the University’s website. The Graduate Education Council (GEC) will review dismissal appeals. Students will be notified of the appeals decisions by the Office of Graduate and Continuing Education (GCE). For appeals that have been granted, there may be some conditions that go along with the approval that could involve actions like re-taking a class or developing an academic success plan.

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## STUDENT CONDUCT

Graduate Students must comply with Framingham State University Guidelines and Policies, as outlined in the RAM Student Handbook. University regulations include but are not limited to: the Framingham State University General Student Conduct Code; the alcohol and drug policy; the care and use of university property; and the sexual harassment policy. Unfamiliarity with institutional regulations or rules is not grounds for excusing infractions. Students who are involved in violations of University conduct guidelines or commonly accepted standards of behavior while on campus will be subject to disciplinary proceedings by the University. The RAM Student Handbook is available in alternative formats for students with disabilities.

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## PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS FOR STUDENTS ENROLLED IN TEACHER PREPARATION PROGRAMS

In accordance with the requirement for approval or accreditation established by the Commonwealth, the Framingham State University Professional Standards Committee applies specific criteria for the retention of candidates in teacher preparation to determine that they possess academic competencies and person characteristics appropriate to the requirements of teaching. The Professional Standards Committee uses a number of criteria, both objective and subjective, for permitting students to progress through the teacher education programs.

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## UNIVERSITY POLICY REGARDING ACADEMIC HONESTY

Integrity is essential to academic life. Consequently, students who enroll at Framingham State University agree to maintain high standards of academic honesty and scholarly practice. They shall be responsible for familiarizing themselves with the published university policies and procedures regarding academic honesty. Faculty members are required to reference the university policy on academic honesty in their syllabi, and they shall, at their discretion, include in their course syllabi additional statements on definitions of academic honesty and academic honesty policies specific to their courses if applicable.

Infractions of the Policy on Academic Honesty include, but are not limited to:

1. Plagiarism: claiming as one's own work the published or unpublished literal or paraphrased work of another;
2. Cheating on exams, tests, quizzes, assignments, and papers, including the distribution or acceptance of these materials and other sources of information without the permission of the instructor(s);
3. Unauthorized collaboration with other individuals in the preparation of course assignments;
4. Submitting without authorization the same assignment for credit in more than one course;
5. Use of dishonest procedures in computer, laboratory, studio, or field work;
6. Misuse of the University's technical and educational facilities either maliciously or for personal gain;
7. Falsification of forms used to document the academic record and to conduct the academic business of the University.
8. The enlistment of another individual or entity to complete one's course work.

## Procedures for Handling Cases of Alleged Infractions of Academic Honesty

When a course instructor suspects a student of academic dishonesty, they notify the student in writing of the alleged infraction as soon as possible after the discovery of the infraction. The student will have five business days to respond to the allegation. If the student does not dispute the allegation or the student does not respond to the charges within five business days, the course instructor reports the infraction to the Academic Dean of the college where the course is taught (home department of course) for record-keeping purposes, using the appropriate form. This notification must take place within ten business days of the discovery of the infraction and should include any corroborating evidence. The Academic Dean will notify the Office Academic Affairs of the alleged infraction.

If a student disputes an allegation of academic dishonesty, the student may appeal the case to be heard by a subcommittee of the Academic Policy Committee (APC) in executive session. This subcommittee will be made up of three faculty members, all of whom are not in the department of the course instructor making the allegation, and up to two students appointed by the APC Chair. The student and course instructor will be invited to the subcommittee hearing by the APC Chair. The student may have a support person accompany them to any scheduled APC Academic Honesty subcommittee meeting(s). A support person may not address any person involved in the hearing except for the student they are supporting; a support person who does not comply with these requirements may be dismissed by the presiding administrator.

The standard of review used to evaluate the alleged academic infraction is preponderance of evidence, which is “more likely than not.” The APC Chair will notify the student of the subcommittee’s decision, which is final.

- If the student’s appeal is successful, the faculty member will update the grade in question.
- If the student’s appeal is unsuccessful, the APC Chair reports the infraction to the Academic Dean for record-keeping purposes on the appropriate form within five business days of the decision.

The Academic Dean will notify the Office of Academic Affairs of the violation within five business days.

All records of academic honesty policy violations will be maintained by the Office of Academic Affairs. Faculty are expected to report all incidents of academic honesty infractions. Upon notification by an Academic Dean of a violation, the Academic Dean will determine if the student has previous infractions.

After an infraction, the course instructor administers appropriate penalties that range from resubmission of the work in question to failing the course, as determined by the course instructor.

After a student’s second infraction at the University, the Academic Dean will notify the student that they must meet with the Academic Dean.

After a student’s third infraction at the University, the student shall be notified of permanent dismissal from the University by the Office of Academic Affairs. This penalty of dismissal can be appealed. Such an appeal will be made to the University Provost/Vice President for Academic Affairs within five (5) business days of notification of the penalty.

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## **POLICY ON AUTHORSHIP**

The following guidelines and best practices serve to set community standards for the valuable intellectual work that students and faculty at Framingham State University do together. As a primarily undergraduate institution that sets teaching and mentoring as a priority, the University holds that faculty and student collaborations are of great importance for our educational mission, and that are recognized and valued as part of the work that faculty do in order to fulfill the spirit and letter of our contract with the institution. Since faculty and student collaborations are happening daily as we engage in projects and inquiry in our classes, together they contribute to creative and analytical projects that are shared with wider audiences—either in conference presentations, peer-reviewed publications, or other forms of publication, including online sharing, shows, and performances.

These proposed guidelines are shared with the understanding that our accomplishments as scholar/teachers in a primarily teaching institution include institutional recognition of and value for the work of mentoring student research through faculty and staff authorship and shared creative and research endeavors.

### **Acknowledgement of shared faculty and student work**

Discussion about the amount and kind of credit to be given should occur at the start of an association between faculty or staff and students so that expectations are clear and the faculty or staff member and student can develop a shared understanding of what each person’s obligations and recognition will be. It is recognized that these arrangements may change over time and discussion should be reopened at that time.

### **Guidelines for acknowledgement of student contributions to faculty work**

Since it is a stated goal of this university to foster faculty-student collaboration and undergraduate research, these guidelines should be read to include rather than exclude students as co-authors of faculty publications. In this context, “publication” refers to papers, presentations and creative activities published in peer-reviewed professional journals, exhibitions, and/or festivals; projects and research presented at professional meetings and symposia; and performances outside the campus community. It does not include publications or exhibits in strictly “undergraduate” journals or shows.

Students should be considered as authors or co-authors when a project is substantially completed by the student, including data collection, analysis, writing of the final report, and executing creative production (e.g. capstone project, independent study, senior thesis), rather than a project for which the student only performs some closely supervised task (e.g. data transcription, routine data collection). In the latter case, students should be acknowledged but not listed as co-authors. If such work is contributed by all or most members of a class, perhaps even over several semesters, the faculty member should acknowledge, for example, the “Fall 2011-Fall 2013 classes in Anatomy and Physiology at Framingham State University.”



Frequently, it is necessary to combine the results of several student projects, often over several years, to produce a final product that is worthy of publication. Under these circumstances, the faculty member will need to write the final paper, combining information and analysis from several student projects. The faculty member should be first author of such papers, with the students as co-authors.

**Guidelines for acknowledgement of faculty or staff contributions to student work**

Faculty, as teachers and mentors, promote student learning and scholarship. As part of their teaching, faculty members commonly suggest topics for further study and advise students on methodologies that could be used in their course work. Faculty members also routinely assist students in their research/creative work and writing by providing detailed comments and critiques, by proposing alternative ways of communicating an idea, and by editing drafts. This by itself does not necessarily entitle the faculty to co-authorship. However, faculty members have a right to expect to be acknowledged and/or cited for their ideas and assistance. All authors, whether student or faculty members, have an obligation to properly cite works used and to credit ideas suggested to them by others, from both published and unpublished sources (e.g., oral communication).

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**INSTITUTIONAL REVIEW BOARD**

The Framingham State University Institutional Review Board (IRB) is responsible for protecting the rights and welfare of human subjects participating in research conducted at FSU. The FSU IRB reviews research in the following three categories:

1. Research that is federally funded;
2. Research for which the sponsoring agency requires federal-level institutional review; and
3. Research that is voluntarily submitted by an applicant(s) for a federal-level institutional review.

It is expected that individuals conducting research associated with the University do so in accordance with the highest ethical and moral standards and accepted practices within their disciplines.

Information about the FSU IRB and IRB-related documents may be accessed at <http://www.framingham.edu/academics/academic-affairs/information-for-faculty/institutional-review-board/>.

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**PRIVACY RIGHTS OF STUDENTS**

Students are hereby notified that Framingham State University complies with the provisions of federal laws governing the privacy and disclosure of student information. The University has adopted a policy for assuring this privacy. This policy defines types and locations of educational records, stipulates students' and parents' rights, describes procedures for parents and students to review and inspect educational records, and provides a procedure to file complaints concerning alleged failures by the institution to comply with the federal law. Copies of the institutional policy may be secured from the Office of the University Registrar web pages.

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**DIRECTORY INFORMATION**

The Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA) designates certain information related to students as "Directory Information". This gives the University the right to disclose such information to anyone inquiring without having to ask students for permission, unless the students specifically request in writing that all such information not be made public without their written consent. The categories of "Directory Information" at Framingham State University are as follows:

- Student's legal name
- Mailing Address
- Major field of study
- Dates of attendance and Enrollment status for a particular semester (FT, HT, LT)
- Class standing (if an Undergraduate – Freshman, Sophomore, etc.)
- Degrees and awards received including Dean's/President's lists and graduation honors
- Participation in officially recognized sports
- Weight and Height of members of athletic teams
- Most recent previous educational institution attended by the student

A request form to prevent disclosure of directory information is available from the Office of the University Registrar (McCarthy Campus Center 515) and must be filed prior to the close of the Course Add/Drop period in any given semester or term.

## NONDISCRIMINATION POLICY

It is the policy of Framingham State University not to discriminate in education or employment on the basis of race, color, religion, creed, sex, sexual orientation, age, disability, veteran status, marital status, or national origin. The University operates under an Equal Opportunity, Diversity, and Affirmative Action Plan, as approved by the Massachusetts Board of Higher Education (BHE) and the University's Board of Trustees, that promotes and maintains a policy of nondiscrimination, equal opportunity, and affirmative action. This plan incorporates by reference, and where applicable, the requirements of Titles VI and VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964; Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1968; Titles I and II of the Civil Rights Act of 1991; Title IX of the Education Amendments of 1972 and its regulations found at 34 C.F.R. part 106; the Equal Pay Act of 1963; 72 1520495\_1 Civil Rights Restoration Act of 1988; Sections 503 and 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973; the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, as amended; Section 402 of the Vietnam-era Veterans Readjustment Act of 1974, Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act; the Age Discrimination Act of 1975; the Age Discrimination in Employment Act of 1967, as amended; the Family and Medical Leave Act of 1993; the Genetic Information Nondiscrimination Act of 2008; the reauthorized Violence Against Women Act, Pub. Law No. 113-4 (2013); the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act; the Higher Education Act of 1965, as amended; Federal Executive Order 11246 of 1965, as amended by Executive Order 11375 of 1967; Federal Executive Order 12900 of 1994; Federal Executive Order 13145 of 2000; Federal Executive Order 13160 of 2000; Federal Executive Order 13166 of 2000; Massachusetts Civil Rights Act; Massachusetts General Laws Chapters 151B, 151C, and Chapter 149; St.2011, c. 199 (H3810), An Act Relative to Gender Identity; directives of the BHE, the Universities' Boards of Trustees and the Commonwealth; and other applicable local, state and federal constitutions, statutes, regulations and executive orders.

Inquiries or advice concerning discrimination and the application of these policies, laws and regulations may be referred:

Kimberly R. Dexter  
Director of Equal Opportunity, Title IX, and ADA  
Compliance  
*Equal Opportunity Officer*  
*Title II/Section 504 Coordinator*  
Dwight Hall, room 205  
(508) 215-5859  
kdexter@framingham.edu

dbaldwin@framingham.edu  
Inquiries may also be directed to:  
The U.S. Department of Education  
Office for Civil Rights  
33 Arch Street, 9<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Boston, MA 02119-1424  
(617) 289-0111  
Fax (617) 289-0150; TDD (877) 521-2172  
OCR.Boston@ed.gov

Students may also contact:  
Meg Nowak Borrego  
Dean of Students  
*Equal Opportunity Officer for Students*  
McCarthy Center, suite 504  
(508) 626-4596

The University Title IX Coordinator is responsible for the University's compliance with Title IX and the administration of the University's Sexual Violence Policy. Any person with questions or concerns about any form of sexual violence, sexual harassment, gender-based harassment, domestic violence, dating violence and stalking and/or retaliation may also contact:

Kimberly R. Dexter  
Director of Equal Opportunity, Title IX, and ADA  
Compliance  
*University Title IX Coordinator*  
Dwight Hall, room 205  
(508) 215-5859  
kdexter@framingham.edu

Carey Eggen  
Associate Director of Athletics/Senior Woman  
Administrator  
*Title IX Coordinator for Athletics*  
Athletic Center, 2<sup>nd</sup> floor  
(508) 626-4565  
ceggen@framingham.edu

Meg Nowak  
Dean of Students  
*Title IX Coordinator for Students*  
McCarthy Center, suite 504  
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# Financial Information

## COURSE TUITION & FEE CHARGES FOR GRADUATE STUDENTS ATTENDING EVENING DIVISION, 2025-2026\*

	<b>Full-Time</b> 3 Course-Credits	<b>Full-Time</b> 2 Course-Credits	<b>Part-Time</b> 1 Course-Credit
<b>Graduate Course Tuition/Fees</b> <i>(excludes MBA, MSN, PSM courses)</i>	<b>\$4,425.00</b>	<b>\$2,950.00</b>	<b>\$1,475.00</b>
<b>MBA, MSN, PSM Course Tuition</b>	<b>\$5,055.00</b>	<b>\$3,370.00</b>	<b>\$1,685.00</b>
<b>Course Fees</b> (Are included in the tuition/fees above)	<b>\$1,713.00</b>	<b>\$1,142.00</b>	<b>\$571.00</b>
<b>Graduate International Student Fee per semester</b> <i>(F-1 Student Visa)</i>	<b>\$1,350.00</b>	<b>\$1,350.00</b>	<b>\$1,350.00</b>

## COURSE TUITION & FEE CHARGES FOR GRADUATE STUDENTS ATTENDING DAY DIVISION, 2025-2026\*

	<b>Full-Time</b> 3 Course-Credits	<b>Full-Time</b> 2 Course-Credits	<b>Part-Time</b> 1 Course-Credit
<b>In-State Graduate Tuition</b> Permanent Residents of Massachusetts	<b>\$840.00</b>	<b>\$560.00</b>	<b>\$280.00</b>
<b>Out-of-State Tuition</b> Non-Residents of Massachusetts	<b>\$3,525.00</b>	<b>\$2,350.00</b>	<b>\$1,175.00</b>
<b>New England Regional Higher Education Tuition (NEBHE)</b>	<b>\$1,257.00</b>	<b>\$838.00</b>	<b>\$419.00</b>
<b>Fees</b>	<b>\$5,624.50</b>	<b>\$3,781.16</b>	<b>\$1,936.83</b>

*\*Note: The schedule of fees, tuition, methods of payment, and refund policies are those in effect at the time of publication. They are subject to change without notice.*

## MANDATORY HEALTH INSURANCE

State law requires all full-time students attending Framingham State University to have health insurance. Students must either waive or enroll in the Health Insurance plan offered by the University (08/01/25 to 07/31/26). Submittal of the waiver or insurance enrollment is required in order to be registered at the University. Part-time students are not eligible to purchase the health insurance offered by the University.

## INTERNATIONAL STUDENT FEES

Framingham State University issues I-20 Forms (Certificates of Eligibility for F-1 Visas) to students accepted and enrolled in full-time programs of study only. Currently, the only full-time graduate programs at Framingham State University are the M.S. with the concentration in Food and Nutrition program and the M.B.A. program. Students enrolled in the M.S. with the concentration in Food and Nutrition program register through the Day Division and pay Day Division tuition and fees. M.B.A. program students register and pay through Evening Division.

## PAYMENTS

No student will be officially enrolled in the University unless all charges have been paid. This includes the \$50.00 graduate admissions application fee, as well as the nonrefundable \$50.00 tuition deposit required of first-time graduate students. The balance of the tuition and all other fees, except for the oral or written comprehensive examination fee and the graduation application fee, are paid to the Bursar's/Student Accounts Office. Any student enrolled in three or more course-credits at the University (Day, Continuing Education, or a combination of both) will be charged for annual health insurance coverage. All students must waive or enroll online in the health insurance offered by the University. Failure to do so may result in loss of classes. In addition, a \$50.00 late payment fee may apply. Please see below for additional information regarding waiving/enrolling coverage. Payments may be made online, in-person, or through the mail. Payment may be made by cash, bank check, certified check, money order, personal check, MasterCard, Visa, Discover or American Express. Please note that you may not pay by credit card through the mail because of new credit card regulations. Please print your name and Framingham State University student ID number in the upper left-hand corner of all checks. A \$25.00 fee will be charged for a check returned unpaid by the bank or for declined debit/credit cards. Do not send cash through the mail.

## VA PENDING PAYMENT COMPLIANCE POLICY

In accordance with Title 38 US Code 3679 subsection (e), Framingham State University has adopted the following additional provisions for any students using U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) Post 9/11 G.I. Bill® (Ch. 33) or Vocational Rehabilitation and Employment (Ch. 31) benefits, while payment to the institution is pending from the VA.

Framingham State University will not:

- Prevent nor delay the student's enrollment;
- Assess a late penalty fee to the student;
- Require the student to secure alternative or additional funding;
- Deny the student access to any resources available to other students who have satisfied their tuition and fee bills to the institution, including but not limited to access to classes, libraries, or other institutional facilities.

However, to qualify for this provision, such students may be required to:

- Produce the Certificate of Eligibility by the first day of class;
- Provide written request to be certified;
- Provide additional information needed to properly certify the enrollment as described in other institutional policies.

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## REFUND POLICY FOR GRADUATE AND CONTINUING EDUCATION (GCE) DIVISION

If a student drops from an evening division course no later than the end of the Course Add/Drop period, tuition refunds are as follows:

### Fall 2025 – GCE Refund Policy

Refundable Tuition & Fees Date	Refund Percentage
<i>On or Before September 10, 2025</i>	100%
<i>After September 10, 2025</i>	0%

### Spring 2026 – GCE Refund Policy

Refundable Tuition & Fees Date	Refund Percentage
<i>On or Before January 27, 2026</i>	100%
<i>After January 27, 2026</i>	0%

**For Wintersession or Summer Term – refer to the published calendar.**

A refund is not permitted if a student changes the status of a course from credit to audit.

**REFUNDS FOR GRADUATE STUDENTS ATTENDING DAY DIVISION**

If a student is withdrawing from the University, the student must complete and submit a "Notification of Withdrawal" form to the Office of the University Registrar. No refund will be issued unless a "Notification of Withdrawal" form is complete.

If a student withdraws from the University, tuition and fees are prorated on a daily basis through 60% of the semester. Excluded from this policy are: the tuition deposit, the commuter parking decal fee, the returned check fee, the health insurance premium, and any other use or penalty fees which are non-refundable.

Please note that federal regulations require that if you have received federal financial aid funds, you will only be eligible to receive the same percentage of these funds according to the refund schedule, based upon your official date of withdrawal. If you do not submit a "Notification of Withdrawal" form and the University determines that you have withdrawn, you will only be eligible to receive up to 50% of your Federal financial aid funds. You will be responsible to pay any balance due the University if financial aid funds are reduced.

**THIRD PARTY PAYMENTS**

All students using grants, loans, state agencies, companies, the military, and any others to cover course costs are liable for such payments or portions if these other parties or payment vehicles fail to honor or partially honor course costs.

**FINANCIAL AID**

The Financial Aid Office at Framingham State University assists students in meeting the costs of a college education. The basic principle behind financial aid is that the student has the primary responsibility for meeting as much of the cost of attending college as is reasonably possible. Financial aid is a supplement to the student resources if they are insufficient to meet college costs.

There are three components to determine eligibility for financial aid: cost of attendance, student contribution, and financial aid eligibility. Matriculation in a degree program and enrollment in at least two courses per semester are conditions for eligibility.

Once your financial aid eligibility is determined, a financial aid package is prepared. For graduate students, the only financial aid available is the Federal Stafford Student Loan. This loan comes in two varieties: the subsidized version and the unsubsidized version. The subsidized Stafford Loan comes out of your financial aid eligibility while the unsubsidized Stafford Loan comes out of your family contribution.

**Important Information:**

If a student's financial situation changes after receiving a financial aid award, the award decision may be appealed, in writing, to the Financial Aid Office. Federal regulations require students who receive Federal or State financial aid to maintain satisfactory academic progress. Students receiving financial aid should refer any questions or concerns about their academic progress to the Financial Aid Office.

Students are advised to contact the Financial Aid Office prior to withdrawing from one or more courses, as this may impact their financial aid eligibility.

Additional information is available from the Financial Aid Office, Framingham State University, 100 State Street, P.O. Box 9101, McCarthy Center, Room 515, Framingham, MA 01701-9101, 508-626-4534. Visit [www.framingham.edu/financialaid](http://www.framingham.edu/financialaid).

**IN-STATE TUITION RESIDENCY FOR DAY DIVISION**

In order to qualify for in-state tuition, students taking Day Division courses must have maintained a residence in Massachusetts for a period of not less than one continuous calendar year preceding the beginning date of their registration. Students must complete an In-State Residency Request Form prior to the start of the semester for which they are requesting qualification. Foreign students attending Framingham State University on a student visa do not qualify for In-State tuition residency. No student is considered to be a resident of Massachusetts solely by reason of attendance at Framingham State University.

**GRADUATE TUITION WAIVER FOR DAY DIVISION**

This waiver applies to any course of study offered through the Day Division, which is required for a Graduate Degree or Post-Baccalaureate Teacher Licensure (PBTL) program. The student must be matriculated in a Master's or PBTL program to be eligible for this tuition waiver. The student must be classified as a Massachusetts Resident for tuition purposes. A Tuition Waiver form must be completed and submitted to the Office of the University Registrar by the student at the start of each semester the student is requesting consideration for eligibility. Please see the Office of the University Registrar web pages for the tuition waiver form.

## VETERAN SERVICES

Framingham State University is approved by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts for veterans' benefits, and for the education of veterans, war orphans, and the dependents of 100% disabled veterans. Eligible veterans, other than Chapter 34, have 10 years from the date of separation from active duty to use their educational benefits. Chapter 34 veteran benefits expired January 1, 1990. When filing for benefits at the University, eligible veterans are required to submit a copy of their separation from service (DD214).

The University seeks to provide assistance in obtaining benefits, financial aid, and other services for full and part-time students. Filing the chapter benefits and certification of enrollment is done through the Office of the Veteran Services.

### Categorical Tuition Waiver for Veterans and Active Duty Members

To be eligible for a Categorical Tuition Waiver, a student must:

- Be a permanent legal resident of Massachusetts for at least one year prior to the opening of the academic year;
- Be a United States citizen or eligible noncitizen;
- Be in compliance with applicable Selective Service Registration laws;
- Not be in default of any federal or state student loan or owe a refund on any previously received financial aid;
- Present documentation of categorical tuition waiver eligibility to the Office of the University Registrar;
- Enroll in at least three undergraduate course-credits per semester in a state-supported undergraduate degree or certificate program; and
- Maintain satisfactory academic progress in accordance with federal and institutional standards.
- Be a member of an eligible category as defined below:

*Veteran:* As provided in M.G.L. Chapter 4, Section 7(43), shall mean:

(1) any person whose last discharge or release was under honorable conditions, and who served for not less than 180 days active service;

or

(2) Any person whose last discharge or release was under honorable conditions and who served in the army, navy, marine corps, coast guard, or air force of the United States, or on full time national guard duty under Titles 10 or 32 of the United States Code or under sections 38, 40 and 41 of chapter 33 for not less than 90 days active service, at least 1 day of which was for wartime service, including: Spanish War, World War I, World War II, Korean, Vietnam, Lebanese peace keeping force, Grenada rescue mission, the Panamanian intervention force, or the Persian Gulf. For purposes of the categorical tuition waivers, "veteran" shall also include any individual who served for not less than ninety days at least one of which was served in theatre for "Operation Restore Hope" and whose last discharge or release was under honorable conditions.

*Armed Forces:* An active member of the Army, Navy, Marine, Air Force or Coast Guard stationed and residing in Massachusetts.

Unlike the G.I. Bill®, the Categorical Tuition Waiver does not expire. Assistance can continue as long as the student meets the eligibility criteria. Specific definitions of "veteran" in each category can be obtained from the Office of the University Registrar. Those who are eligible must complete and submit a Certificate of Tuition Waiver Form, along with a copy of their separation from service (DD214) and proof of Massachusetts residency, prior to the billing deadline. Certificates must be submitted prior to billing each semester. Veterans whose certificates are not on file prior to receiving bills must pay tuition. A refund will be processed upon receipt and approval of the certificate.

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## **Massachusetts National Guard Tuition Waiver and Federal Tuition Assistance Program**

The Massachusetts National Guard Education Assistance Program provides a 100% tuition and fee waiver for active members of the Massachusetts Army National Guard attending a state university or community college program. Assistance can continue as long as you are good academic standing and until you have reached 130 semester hours. To apply, you must request a Certificate of Eligibility (TAGMA Form 621-3) every 30 credits from the Massachusetts National Guard Education Office by calling that office at 508-968-5889.

## **Veterans Access, Choice, and Accountability Act of 2014**

The Veterans Access, Choice, and Accountability Act of 2014 (Public Law 113-146) changed the amount of tuition and fee charges which can be reported to the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs (VA). Effective July 1, 2015, public institutions of higher education must charge qualifying veterans and dependents tuition and fees at the rate for in-state residents. Any institution not meeting this requirement will be disapproved by VA for the Post-9/11 GI Bill® and Montgomery GI Bill®.

Individuals qualifying for in-state tuition under Public Law 113-146 are:

- A Veteran receiving benefits under the Montgomery GI Bill® (Chapter 30) or the Post-9/11 GI Bill® (Chapter 33) who lives in the state in which the institution is located (regardless of his/her legal state of residence).
- A spouse or child using transferred benefits under the Post-9/11 GI Bill® (Chapter 33) who lives in the state in which the institution is located (regardless of his/her legal state of residence).
- A spouse or child using benefits under the Marine Gunnery Sergeant John David Fry Scholarship who lives in the state in which the institution is located (regardless of his/her legal state of residence).

## **Isakson and Roe Veterans Health Care and Benefits Improvement Act of 2020 (Public Law 116-315, which modifies 38 U.S.C. 3679(c)).**

The amendment requires that for all courses, semesters, or terms beginning after August 1, 2021, public institutions of higher education must charge qualifying veterans, dependents, and eligible individuals' tuition and fees at the rate for in-state residents.

Section 1010 (Effective: August 1, 2021). Verification of enrollment to receive Post-9/11 Educational Assistance benefits creates a dual certification for the receipt of Post-9/11 GI Bill® benefits. The school will certify the student's enrollment after the add-drop date, and then each month thereafter, the student would be required to electronically verify with VA their continued enrollment in that school. If a student fails to certify for two consecutive months, VA will withhold monthly housing allowance payments until the student certifies.

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# Campus Resources

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## **LOCATED IN THE CENTER FOR ACADEMIC SUCCESS AND ACHIEVEMENT (CASA)**

### **STUDENTS WITH DISABILITIES**

Framingham State University, in compliance with the mandates of Section 504 of the Federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973 and the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, offers opportunities to all students without regard to disabilities. Students with disabilities may submit documentation to the Office of Academic Support and Disability Services for consideration of academic accommodations. For documentation guidelines or student specific information, call the Director of Academic Support at 508-626-4906.

There are four TTY's (telecommunications for the deaf) on campus; Admissions Office at 508-626-4500 (V/TTY); Disability Services Office at 508-626-4627 (V/TTY); Public Safety and Police Services at 508-626-4911 or 508-626-4008 (TTY); and Whittemore Library at 508-626-4655 (TTY).

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## **LOCATED IN DWIGHT HALL**

### **OFFICE OF INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS - STUDY ABROAD & INTERNATIONAL STUDENT AND SCHOLARS**

The Office of International Students is responsible for all international student programs and upholding the regulations governing their status as students. The Office provides international students with answers to questions and assists them in addressing and resolving issues and concerns that are unique to their status at the University. Support is provided to these students from the time they are accepted at the University throughout their academic experience. International students receive assistance with the many forms required by the Department of Homeland Security and are kept informed and updated on DHS regulations as they apply to their status as F-1 Visa students. The Office encourages these students to share their culture and customs with other students, faculty, staff, and area schools and organizations.

The Office is located in Dwight Hall, Room 302. Additional information can be obtained by calling 508-626-4585.

### **OFFICE OF VETERANS SERVICES**

The Office of Veterans Services strives to assist veterans, military service members, and their family members in achieving their educational and professional goals; provides assistance and support for a smooth transition from the military to the academic environment; collaborates with departments campus wide and throughout the MetroWest community to provide assistance and referrals to overcome obstacles in achieving the goals of the FSU student veterans and family members.

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## **LOCATED IN FOSTER HALL**

### **THE COUNSELING CENTER**

The Counseling Center enhances learning and personal development through its professional services which include individual, couples, family, and group counseling as well as outreach programs. Staffed by clinical social workers, social work interns, and a psychiatric clinical nurse, the Center assists students in exploring and coping with personal concerns. Confidentiality is assured to the fullest extent of the law. The Counseling Center is located in the Health and Wellness Center in Foster Hall.



## **HEALTH SERVICES**

Health Services functions as a center for the treatment of episodic illness and health maintenance. A staff of nurse practitioners, nurses and consulting physicians provides the management of acute and chronic illness, health education, and preventative medicine. In addition, the department sponsors and coordinates health education programs in cardiopulmonary fitness, weight management, women's health, substance abuse, skin cancer, integrative health, sexual assault and rape prevention.

All full-time students (3 course-credits or more, any combination of day and evening classes) must meet the pre-entrance immunization requirements, based on Massachusetts Law No. 5871. The Medical History and Physical Exam portions must be completed in order to utilize the Health Center and obtain resident housing. Specific requirements are detailed in the medical forms. The department also coordinates the Student Health Insurance Program. Per state and federal laws, all fulltime students must be covered by health insurance. Questions regarding this state-mandated program may be directed to this office, located in the Health and Wellness Center in Foster Hall. Questions specific to health insurance billing/charges should be directed to Student Accounts, located in the McCarthy Campus Center, 5<sup>th</sup> Floor.

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## **LOCATED IN THE HEMENWAY HALL**

### **EDUCATION TECHNOLOGY OFFICE**

The Education Technology Office promotes and supports the "advanced technology" component of the University's mission. Office staff members administer the University's learning management system (LMS) for web-based and web-enhanced courses, provide planning and support for the academic components of the laptop program, and provide a wide range of professional development workshops in the Leonhard Multimedia Lab. The offices are located in Hemenway Hall 105 and 109.

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## **LOCATED IN THE MCCARTHY CAMPUS CENTER**

### **CAREER SERVICES**

Career Services offers a wide range of career planning and job search resources. The office provides individual career counseling and an extensive Career Resource Center collection. Students are advised to use the office often and early during their studies.

Career counselors are available to assist with career planning and the preparation of resumes and cover letters. Listings for internships, as well as for full and part time jobs, are available through the Office of Career Services, located in the McCarthy Campus Center, on the fourth floor.

## **FRAMINGHAM STATE UNIVERSITY POLICE DEPARTMENT**

The Framingham State University Police Department is committed to providing protection for the lives and property of the University community. The Campus Police are professionally trained police officers that are licensed as Special State Police and sworn in as Middlesex County Deputy Sheriffs. The Campus Police perform the same duties as your local city or town police departments, conducting all investigations of incidents within their jurisdiction. The Department enforces state statutes, town ordinances and the rules and regulations of the University in an effort to promote a secure and safe campus. Some additional services provided by the department include non-emergency transportation to and from the local emergency room, motor vehicle lockouts, traffic control, court appearances and parking enforcement. The Department also provides personal safety-related programs throughout the year. Any group wishing to have a safety program for their organization, club, or class may contact the Framingham State University Police Department at 508-626-4911.

**STUDENT SERVICES CENTER (SSC)**

Located on the 5<sup>th</sup> floor, Room 515, the SSC serves as a “one stop” operation, students interact with specific offices based on transactional needs.

**Office of the Bursar/Student Accounts**

The Office of the Bursar/Student Accounts generates transactions for tuition, fees, housing, meal plans, mandatory fees, general deposits, and other miscellaneous charges on a student's account. This office also manages the invoicing and collection of payments to a student's account and processes student refunds.

**Office of Financial Aid**

The Office of Financial Aid provides information to students regarding the types of aid available.

**Office of the University Registrar**

The Office of the University Registrar coordinate services in the areas of course information, course selection, grading, major & concentration declaration, degree progress, classroom assignment, certification of enrollment and degrees awarded, name & address changes, administration of final examinations, posting of final grades & grade changes, transcript requests, transfer credit evaluations, and protection and release of academic records.

Official transcripts may be ordered online from the office of the university registrar at <http://www.framingham.edu/academics/registrar/requesting-your-academic-transcript>. There is a \$3.00 transcript fee for each request. Letters of enrollment verification may be obtained by completing the appropriate form, available in the office of the university registrar. A written request may be submitted in lieu of the form. The signature of the student is required before a transcript or verification letter may be released or sent.

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**LOCATED IN WHITTEMORE LIBRARY****LIBRARY SERVICES**

The Henry Whittemore Library provides a combination of traditional and modern resources and services to the University's students, faculty, and staff. Local holdings include approximately 206,724 volumes of print materials, 326 periodical titles and 668,330 units of microforms. This basic core of resources supports the curricula of all academic departments of the University and is systematically kept current with new acquisitions as selected by specialized staff and requested by faculty and students.

As a member of the Minuteman Library Network (MLN), the Library's holdings are supplemented by an on-line catalog (OPAC) accessing more than 5.2 million volumes held in the combined collections of 41 regional libraries. Inter-library loan requests may be placed electronically, and shuttle delivery moves 8,000 or more such items to and from the Henry Whittemore Library annually. A similar volume of materials is electronically accessed and requested as needed from among the 600 member libraries of the New England Library Information Network (NELINET) and the 13,000 member libraries of the On-line Computer Library Center (OCLC).

The Library offers access to approximately 50 electronic journal and newspaper databases with over 15,000 titles in full-text. These databases, as well as Internet access, are available within the library and throughout the campus-wide network.

Reference services, basic and course-related library instruction, and point-of-use guidance support effective delivery of computerized resources, while traditional library skills and research methods are taught as integral to the continuously evolving information technology. Electronic databases are also available to off-site students and faculty.

Also administered within the Library are the units of Archives/Special Collections which include historical materials unique to the University, and the Curriculum Library - a large, separate collection of model K-12 materials supporting studies in Education.

# Graduate Programs

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## MASTER OF ARTS (M.A.)

### Concentrations in:

Counseling Psychology

Specializations in:

Licensure

Non-Licensure

English

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## MASTER OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION (M.B.A.)

### Concentrations in:

Biotechnology Operations

Management

Management - *Online Program*

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## MASTER OF EDUCATION (M.Ed.)

### Concentrations in:

Early Childhood Education

Specializations in:

Initial Licensure

Track to Professional Licensure

Educational Technology (*Online Program*)

Elementary Education

Specializations in:

Initial Licensure

Track to Professional Licensure

Literacy and Language

Mathematics

Nutrition Education (*Online Program*)

Specializations in:

Nutrition Education Specialist

School Nutrition Specialist

Science Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM)

Secondary Education

Specializations in:

Art

English

History

Mathematics

Special Education – Moderate Disabilities

The Teaching of English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL)

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## MASTER OF HEALTHCARE ADMINISTRATION (M.H.A.)

### Concentrations in:

Healthcare Administration

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**MASTER OF HUMAN RESOURCES (M.H.R.)****Concentrations in:**Human Resource Management

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**MASTER OF PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION (M.P.A.)****Concentrations in:**Public Administration

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**MASTER OF SCIENCE (M.S.)****Concentrations in:**

Food and Nutrition

Specializations in:

Coordinated Programs in Dietetics

Coordinated Programs in Dietetics 4+1

Food Science and Nutrition Science

Nutrition Science

Organizational Leadership

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**MASTER OF SCIENCE IN NURSING (M.S.N.)****Concentrations in:**

Nursing Case Management

Nursing Education

Nursing Leadership

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**PROFESSIONAL SCIENCE MASTERS (P.S.M.)****Concentrations in:**

Biotechnology

Specialization in:

Quality Assurance

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**GRADUATE CERTIFICATES**

Bilingual Education

Fundamentals for Biotechnology

Healthcare Administration

Human Resource Management

Instructional Technology Proficiency  
(online)

Public Administration

Reading Specialist (Post-Graduate)

Quality Assurance for Biotechnology

School Nutrition Specialist

Simulation for Nurse Educators

STEM Education

Teaching of English to Speakers of Other  
Languages (TESOL)

Nursing Case Management

Nursing Education (Post-Graduate)

Nursing Leadership (Post-Graduate)

# Course Information

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## COURSE-CREDIT

Unless noted otherwise, each Framingham State University course is equivalent to four (4) credits (sixty (60) contact hours) for internal and external transfer use. Practica and lab sections may carry a value up to one (1) credit or 0.25 courses. Courses that are the equivalent of two (2) credits or 0.5 courses (thirty (30) contact hours) are also offered at the University. Because each credit is the equivalent of 0.25 courses, transfer courses that bear 3 credits (forty-five (45) contact hours) are the equivalent of 0.75 courses.

Students in all majors must complete a minimum of 32 courses and a minimum of 128 credits. At least 10 courses (depending on the student's major) must satisfy the general education requirements. If the major requirements and the general education requirements total fewer than 32 courses (128 credits), students must take enough free electives to make up the difference.

Professional Development Graduate coursework, 70000-level, may be the equivalent to four (4), three (3), two (2), or one (1) credit(s).

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## CREDIT HOUR: FEDERAL DEFINITION

The federal definition states that "a credit hour is an amount of work represented in intended learning outcomes and verified by evidence of student achievement that is an institutionally-established equivalency that reasonably approximates not less than:

- one hour of classroom or direct faculty instruction and a minimum of two hours of out-of-class student work each week for approximately fifteen weeks;
  - or
  - at least an equivalent amount of work as required in paragraph (1) of this definition for other activities as established by an institution, including laboratory work, internships, practica, studio work and other academic work leading toward the awarding of credit hours."
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## COURSE LEVEL

The numbers following the subject code indicate the course level:

- 000-099** Non-credit courses;
  - 100-199** Undergraduate Courses that are introductory in nature, assuming no prior college level exposure to the discipline;
  - 200-299** Undergraduate Courses appropriate for students with prior exposure to the university regimen or to the discipline, some with prerequisites;
  - 300-399** Upper level undergraduate courses that build on previous exposure to the discipline, most with prerequisites;
  - 400-499** Senior level undergraduate courses, most with prerequisites, including independent studies, internships, seminars, directed studies, and practicum.
  - 600-699** Courses for public service undergraduate credit (not for degree programs – Exceptions may be made by Major Department Chair).
  - 700(00)-799(99)** Courses for public service and professional development graduate credit (not for eligible for degree programs at FSU).
  - 800-899** Courses for graduate program credit but taught as dual level with the appropriate undergraduate course number assigned.
  - 900-999** Courses assigned as graduate program credit only.
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## COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

Under each course number and title is a brief description of its content, followed by a statement on prerequisites, if any, explaining the requirements for admission to the course. Lab science courses will have **Lab** following the title.

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## COURSE PREREQUISITES

It is the student's responsibility to be aware of and have met prerequisites prior to attempting any course. Course prerequisites may be found in the University Catalog as part of the course description.

## DEFINITIONS OF COURSE DELIVERY METHODS:

*Course Expectations* - All of the course delivery methods listed below are **not** self-paced. Faculty generally provide a list of topics and assignments with due dates for the semester in the course syllabus. You should expect to spend a minimum of 12 hours per week on **each** course; this will include any **FACE-TO-FACE** or **REMOTE** (*Synchronous*) class time.

Please note the following definitions:

***Synchronous*** - The course meets at specific days and times, which are listed in the course schedule, and you will attend class at those specified times. For lectures, discussions, and presentations there is real-time interaction between the faculty and the students.

*Synchronous refers to both FACE-TO-FACE (i.e. in-person on campus) and REMOTE delivery methods. (Examples of remote include Zoom, Canvas, or other similar platform).*

***Asynchronous*** - The course or a portion of the course has **no** meeting days and times. You will not attend class at a set time, but rather access pre-recorded lectures and/or digital curriculum materials at a time of your own choosing but within the timeframe specified in the course syllabus. Interactions between faculty and the class occur through FSU email, discussion boards, social networking, and/or collaborative documents.

*Asynchronous refers to the ONLINE delivery method.*

***Hybrid***- A combination of *Synchronous* and *Asynchronous* delivery methods.

### FACE-TO-FACE (F2F) (*Synchronous*)

A **Building and Room Number** will be listed as the course **Location** on your course schedule. You will need report to this building & room on the specific course day and time as the class will be delivered in-person.

### REMOTE (*Synchronous*)

Course **Location** will show as **REMOTE**. The course is considered *synchronous* (instructor and students all meet together at the same time) and will be delivered via video conferencing software. You will connect via video conferencing software for your course at the specific day and time noted on your schedule. You will be able to see and interact with your instructor and classmates in a virtual environment.

### FACE-TO-FACE (F2F) and REMOTE (*Synchronous*)

A **Building and Room Number** will be listed as the course **Location** on your course schedule. You will need report to this **Building and Room Number** on the specific course day and time for the portion of your class delivered in-person. And for the course **Location** designated as **REMOTE**, the instructor and students all meet together at the specific day and time via video conferencing software.

### ONLINE (*Asynchronous*)

Course **Location** will show as **ONLINE**. The course will be offered entirely online (*asynchronous*), most likely through Canvas, without the constraints of having to log on at a certain time or be at a certain place. You will need to meet the assignment deadlines outlined in the instructor's course syllabus.

### HYBRID OPTIONS (*Combination of Synchronous & Asynchronous*)

Some courses will be offered combining *Synchronous* and *Asynchronous* delivery methods:

#### FACE-TO-FACE (F2F) and ONLINE (*Combination of Synchronous & Asynchronous*)

You will have a **Building and Room Number** listed in **Location** for a certain day/time, and will also see **ONLINE** listed. A portion of the course is taking place **F2F** on campus in the **Building and Room Number** assigned and the rest *asynchronously* **ONLINE**, meaning you are not expected to join the class at times other than those listed. However, you may be expected to access pre-recorded lectures and digital curriculum materials and participate in online discussion forums at a time of your own choosing but within the timeframe specified in the instructor's course syllabus.

#### REMOTE and ONLINE (*Combination of Synchronous & Asynchronous*)

You will have **REMOTE** listed in **Location** for a certain day/time, and also see **ONLINE** listed. A portion of the course is taking place as **REMOTE** (*synchronously*) and the rest *asynchronously* **ONLINE**, meaning you are not expected to join the class at times other than those listed. However, you may be expected to access pre-recorded lectures and digital curriculum materials and participate in online discussion forums at a time of your own choosing but within the timeframe specified in the instructor's course syllabus.

## GRADUATE COURSES

### COURSE SUBJECT CODES

Each course offered at the University has a four-character subject code and a three-digit course number, e.g., ORGL 903.

<b>SUBJECT</b>	<b>PREFIX CODE</b>
Art History	<b>ARTH</b>
Bilingual/Biliteracy Education	<b>BBED</b>
Biology	<b>BIOL</b>
Biotechnology	<b>BIOT</b>
Business Analytics	<b>BUAN</b>
Business Information Systems	<b>BUIS</b>
Chemistry	<b>CHEM</b>
Counseling Psychology	<b>CPSY</b>
Earth Science	<b>EASC</b>
Economics	<b>ECON</b>
Education	<b>EDUC</b>
Early Childhood Education	<b>ECED</b>
Education Licensure	<b>EDIL</b>
Education Practicum	<b>EDPS</b>
Elementary Education	<b>ELED</b>
Educational Leadership	<b>EDLE</b>
English	<b>ENGL</b>
Entrepreneurial Studies	<b>ENTR</b>
Finance	<b>FINA</b>
Food and Nutrition	<b>NUTR</b>
Food Science	<b>FDSC</b>
Geography	<b>GEOG</b>
Geology	<b>GEOL</b>
Healthcare Administration	<b>HCAD</b>
History	<b>HSTY</b>
Instructional Technology	<b>INST</b>
Literacy and Language	<b>LTRC</b>
Management	<b>MGMT</b>
Marketing	<b>MRKT</b>
Mathematics	<b>MATH</b>
Nursing	<b>NURS</b>
Nursing Case Management	<b>NURM</b>
Nursing Core	<b>NURC</b>
Nursing Education	<b>NURE</b>
Nursing Leadership	<b>NURL</b>
Nutrition Education	<b>NUED</b>
Organizational Leadership	<b>ORGL</b>
Public Administration	<b>PADM</b>
Quantitative Economic Analysis	<b>QUAN</b>
Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics	<b>STEM</b>
Special Education	<b>SPED</b>
STEM Education	<b>STME</b>
Studio Art	<b>ARTS</b>
Teaching English as a Second Language	<b>TESL</b>

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**ART HISTORY COURSES****ARTH 990 Directed Study in Art History**

Course description varies with experience. Advisor approval required.

**DUAL-LEVEL ELECTIVES**

*(Offered in conjunction with the corresponding undergraduate course)*

**ARTH 826 History of Photography**

An investigation of the history and development of photography from its beginnings in the early nineteenth century to the present. Throughout the course, the use of photography for aesthetic and documentary purposes is examined and the influence of art and culture on the practice and interpretation of photography is explored. Students investigate photography of various time periods using textbook illustrations, in-class images, videos, and museum exhibitions. Class lecture, discussion, and group projects augment the text and other readings.

**ARTH 850 Study Tour: Art and Architecture**

A studio art or art history course taught through an extensive field trip or series of field trips, in addition to more traditional methods of teaching. Students gain direct experience of art and architecture in its historic, social, and geographic contexts. The topics/locations may vary from year to year and are announced in the course schedule bulletin. This course, in a different topic/location, may be repeated for credit.

**ARTH 865 Special Topics in Studio Art**

An exploration of a specific medium, genre, and/or topic in studio art intended to expose students to a broad range of artistic sensibilities. The course is designed to enhance the creative, conceptual, and professional development of students through an exploration of various modes of artistic practice. Students work toward developing a body of work with emphasis on content and technique. Regular critique helps students develop the critical language necessary to discuss their work on a variety of levels. Contemporary issues in the visual arts are addressed, particularly as they relate to students' work. This course, on a different topic, may be repeated for credit.

**ARTH 873 Modern Art History**

A survey of major artists and art movements from Post-Impressionism through Post-Modernism (1880's-1980's). Issues and events of the twentieth century, such as rapidly expanding technology, world wars, utopian and civil rights movements, feminism, and multiculturalism are explored in relation to avant-garde art movements.

**ARTH 878 American Art**

A study of the art and architecture of the United States from Colonial Times through the early 20<sup>th</sup> Century. Attention is given to Native American art and the work of folk artists/craftspersons as well as that of artists nurtured in European traditions. Readings and class discussion focus on the arts as a unique expression of the American experience in relationship to history, politics, ideology, and social and technological change.

**ARTH 880 From Romanticism Through Impressionism**

A survey of nineteenth century European art from the 1780's to the 1880's, examining the visual arts within the context of nineteenth century life and culture. This course explores the major artistic movements of this period and the innovations of such outstanding figures as Goya, David, Delacroix, Manet, Monet and Van Gogh as well as their relationship to contemporary political and social developments. Readings cover such topics as myth of the modern artist, art and political revolution, the representation of modern life, and the ways in which gender, sexuality, class and modernity interrelate.

**ARTH 882 Latin American Art**

A study of Pre-Hispanic, Colonial and Modern Latin American visual culture. Emphasis is placed on social context and politics of art, including issues of race, gender, and social class. The first half of the course surveys the art of Pre-Hispanic cultures; the second half studies how the art of Colonial and Modern Latin America has engaged with indigenous heritage. Scholarly readings, essay assignments, and a research project explore the methodologies and concerns of art history and art criticism.

**ARTH 883 Contemporary Art History**

A study of artistic developments, primarily in Europe and the United States, in the contemporary era (1945 to the present). Consideration is given to the diversity of artistic expressions in this period within their cultural, theoretical, and political contexts. Particular attention is given to the impact on art of such late 20<sup>th</sup>-century cultural phenomena as feminism, identity politics, multiculturalism, environmental awareness, the AIDS epidemic, the explosion of media and technology, and to the ways in which these phenomena have helped to spawn new artistic media, e.g. earth art, installation, video, performance, and Web-based art.

Prerequisite: ARTH 873 Modern Art History or permission of the instructor.



**ARTH 884 The Art of Asia**

A contextual study of the arts of India, Japan, and Southeast Asia, spanning the ancient to the post-modern worlds. The course explores major movements and schools of art such as Buddhist sculpture, Chinese landscape painting and Japanese prints. Readings and discussions focus on the interrelationship among art and religion; identity and political authority. The course includes study of Western influences in Asia, and of the idea of the “Orient” in Western Culture.

**ARTH 889 Special Topics**

A study of a special period or topic in art history. Specific topics are announced in the course schedule bulletin. The course explores the art in terms of its formal elements, iconography, and social context through extensive readings, lectures, writing and discussion. Students write a research paper. This course, in a different topic, may be repeated for credit.

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**BILINGUAL/BILITERACY EDUCATION COURSES****BBED 910 Principles and Foundations of Bilingual and Dual Language Education**

A comprehensive overview of the history, landscape, and tumultuous past of bilingual and dual language education nationally and in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Course participants dive into the complicated web of politics, linguistics, race, and power as they explore the background of bilingual education and its various iterations in Massachusetts, as well the non-negotiables of excellent dual language programs, the variables that correspond to the particular PreK-12 student and community demographics and needs.

**BBED 930 Biliteracy, Oral Language Development, and Second Language Acquisition**

An examination of the theories, practices, and application of simultaneous and sequential biliteracy and oral language development. Participants explore theories and research in the field of Second Language Acquisition (SLA) that shape instructional strategies for the development of bilingualism and literacies in families, schools, and communities. The course emphasizes research-based pedagogical practices that facilitate oracy and biliteracy development in dual language classrooms. Instructional strategies and content area lessons related to World Class Instructional Design and Assessment (WIDA) guidelines are developed and documented in a sample portfolio.

Prerequisites: BBED 910 Principles and Foundations of Bilingual Education and Dual Language Education; LTRC 907 Literacy Instruction (May be waived per Program Coordinator).

**BBED 950 Curriculum Development: Lesson and Unit Planning in Bilingual Programs**

An overview of curriculum organization and instructional design as it pertains to bilingual/dual language PreK-12 students. Participants critique published materials and design their own integrated units of study. Students also delve into curriculum and social justice standards and learn how to design standards-based units and lessons. Selection of culturally responsive materials is also covered. Prerequisites: BBED 930 Biliteracy and Oral Language Development.

**BBED 970 Assessment and Field Experience in Bilingual Education**

A capstone course in which participants complete a 75-hour field experience teaching in a dual language program. Additionally, during class meetings, participants reflect, discuss, and collaborate on their lessons, units, and assessments.

Prerequisites: BBED 950 Curriculum Development: Lesson and Unit Planning in Bilingual Programs.

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**BIOLOGY COURSES****BIOL 802 Process of Organic Evolution**

A study of the historical development of evolutionary thought in the pre- and post-Darwinian periods; the interplay among mutations, recombination, gene flow, natural selection and genetic drift in determining the direction of evolutionary change; isolating mechanisms and the origins of species; the role of polyploidy in plant evolution; the significance of hybridization in evolution and speciation; evidence of evolution from various disciplines. No laboratory.

Prerequisite: An introductory course in genetics or permission of advisor.

**BIOL 810 Cell Biology**

A study of the structure and function of cells and their major organelles. Topics covered include the nucleus, mitochondria, Golgi, lysosome, endoplasmic reticulum, protein trafficking, signal transduction, cellular energetics, and gene expression. Laboratory exercises are mostly experimental.

Prerequisites: Introductory courses in biology and chemistry or permission of advisor.

**BIOL 830 Immunology**

A study of the principles of immunology. The immune response, antibody formation in cells and the whole animal, immuno-suppression, blood group antigens, and the kinetics of antigen-antibody reactions are described. The structure of the antibody and its active site are examined at the molecular level. The roles of complement, hypersensitivity (allergy), and auto allergic reactions and transplantation immunity are discussed. Laboratory.

Prerequisite: Microbiology or permission of the instructor.

**BIOL 835 Recombinant DNA Technology**

Designed to familiarize the student with the processes and techniques employed by the biotechnology industry to produce recombinant products. The theoretical foundations for recombinant DNA methodology, as well as medical forensic and commercial applications of genetic engineering are considered. Laboratory exercises include DNA isolation, restriction enzyme mapping, cloning to selectable vectors, gel electrophoresis, polymerase chain reaction, DNA sequencing, and selected protein purification methodology.

Prerequisites: Genetics and Microbiology.

**BIOL 839 Neurobiology**

An advanced examination of the development, structure and function of the central and peripheral nervous systems. Topics covered include synaptic communication, neurotransmission, sensory and motor processing, reflexes and cellular processes of learning and memory. It is designed for biology or psychology majors with an interest in neurophysiology. Laboratory.

Prerequisite: Human Anatomy and Physiology I or Comparative Vertebrate Physiology or permission of the instructor.

**BIOL 881 Theories of Infectious Diseases**

An introduction to human infectious diseases based upon assigned readings that emphasize microbial pathogenic mechanisms and contemporary diagnostic techniques. Learning goals are centered on a series of case studies involving the most common infectious diseases affecting humankind.

Prerequisite: An introductory course in microbiology, or permission of the advisor.

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**BIOTECHNOLOGY COURSES****BIOT 903 Drug Development: Process and Regulations**

Designed to provide students with an overview of drug development, for both small molecules and biotherapeutics. The course emphasizes the diverse set of activities in pharmaceutical development; discusses key stages and decision points in the process; and details the importance of quality control and meeting regulatory requirements. Case studies are presented by guest lecturers from the pharmaceutical and biotechnology industry to illustrate the complexities of drug development.

Prerequisite: Acceptance in the P.S.M. concentration in Biotechnology or M.B.A. concentration in Biotechnology Operations or permission from program coordinator.

**BIOT 908 Quality Assurance and Quality Control for Biotechnology and Biopharmaceuticals**

An examination of the application of quality practices in the development, manufacturing, control and assessment of products in the biotechnology and biopharmaceutical industries. Students learn the principles of QSR (Quality Systems Requirements) as they apply to the procurement of materials and the manufacture, validation and release of products. Through the use of case studies, the course presents the commonalities of QSR and the application of GMP (Good Manufacturing Practices) for all product types, as well as the specific requirements and differences among biologics, small molecules and devices.

Prerequisite: Acceptance into the P.S.M. program in Biotechnology.

**BIOT 929 Applied Bioinformatics**

An introduction to the technical foundation and current advances in bioinformatics and database analytics. After a survey of biological databases containing DNA, RNA, protein sequences and 3D protein structures, students learn how to retrieve and analyze sequences, dynamically visualize 3D protein structures, and analyze components of individual structures and interactions between different proteins or proteins and drugs. Students are introduced to large datasets of gene expression and metabolic and regulatory pathways, an area of systems biology utilizing artificial intelligence and machine learning. Discussions of the relevant technologies are integrated in the course, along with discussions of computer hardware and software requirements, including suitable programming languages.

**BIOT 930 Good Laboratory Practices (GLP) in Biotechnology Laboratory Techniques**

An exposure to techniques commonly used in the biotechnology industry. It focuses on the use of cell culture in the production of biologically active products. The course emphasizes sterility, purification, assay of a final product, and documentation. Discussion of Good Laboratory Practices and designing lab techniques to meet regulations are included. The course requires written analysis of data. Laboratory (4 hours).

Prerequisite: Acceptance into the P.S.M. concentration in Biotechnology.

**BIOT 941 Molecular Biotechnology**

A seminar course which focuses on literature review and analysis. Topics discussed cover several areas in biotechnology, including bioprocessing, biomedical, and agricultural applications. Students are required to write a review-style paper on a topic of their choice and present their paper to their classmates in an oral presentation.

Prerequisite: Acceptance into the P.S.M. concentration in Biotechnology.

**BIOT 952 Scientific and Technical Communication in Biotechnology**

A focus on oral and written communication for both scientific and nonscientific audiences for a variety of sources in biotechnology, including journals, investor relations, and regulatory documentation.

Prerequisite: Acceptance into the P.S.M. concentration in Biotechnology.

**BIOT 966 Ethical Implications of Biotechnology**

A seminar course that examines the ethical implications of decisions made in biotechnology as well as the responsibilities of life scientists in their communities. Course discussions include stewardship and environmental impacts of biomanufacturing as well as ethical use of laboratory animals.

Prerequisite: Acceptance in the P.S.M. concentration in Biotechnology or M.B.A. concentration in Biotechnology Operations or permission from program coordinator.

**BIOT 970 Current Topics in Genetics, Epigenetics, and Genomics**

An advanced genetics course that examines the relationship between genes and environment, with emphasis on molecular genetics and epigenetics. The course discusses genomics of humans and model organisms, explores common experimental approaches in molecular genetics, and includes a discussion of personalized medicine.

Prerequisite: Acceptance into the P.S.M. concentration in Biotechnology.

**BIOT 972 Cells and Systems**

A study of biological systems at the cell, tissue, and organismal levels, including a discussion of proteomics, genomics, regulatory pathways, stochasticity, and the transcriptome. Students focus on techniques that allow the study of groups of functionally interacting structures as a whole.

Prerequisite: Acceptance into the P.S.M. concentration in Biotechnology.

**BIOT 974 Applied Immunology**

An advanced study of the principles of immunology and its application to diseases and health. Emphasis is on applications of immunological principles as they pertain to medical diagnostics and biotechnology. The course examines the molecular and cellular components of the immune system relevant to the diagnosis of infectious diseases, genetic- and infection-associated immunodeficiency, cancer, hypersensitivity, autoimmunity, and transplantation.

Prerequisite: Acceptance into the P.S.M. program in Biotechnology and previous completion of an undergraduate microbiology course (or equivalent).

**BIOT 978 Drug Discovery**

Designed to provide the student with an overview of drug discovery for both small molecules and biotherapeutics. The course emphasizes the interdisciplinary nature of pharmaceutical research and discuss key stages and decision points in the process. Case studies are used by guest lecturers from the pharmaceutical and biotech industry to illustrate the challenges of identifying human drug targets and delivering drug candidates.

Prerequisite: Acceptance into the P.S.M. program in Biotechnology.

**BIOT 980 Biotechnology Patent Law**

An overview of biotech patent law for life science managers, scientists, researchers, business development managers, and investors. This course provides a fundamental understanding of creating and protecting value in a biotechnology company through established mechanisms grounded in patent and licensing law. Students learn the basics of patent filing, patent strategy, product protection in the United States and other countries, licensing (and other conveyances) for value, as a function of business value creation and business development.

Prerequisite: Acceptance into the P.S.M. concentration in Biotechnology.

**BIOT 995 Biotechnology Internship**

An internship which involves an employer-driven project that can be completed in one semester. Individuals currently employed may complete their internship with their current employer but must complete a project distinct from their normal role at the company. At the end of the internship, the student prepares a written summary and analysis of the project with the guidance of the internship mentor and approval of the industry supervisor. A minimum of 400 hours is required.

Prerequisite: Acceptance into the P.S.M. program in Biotechnology and completion of 10 courses within the program.

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**BUSINESS INFORMATION SYSTEM COURSES****BUIS 909 Information Technology in Business**

An overview of the use of information technology solutions in a business organization. Business and managerial topics are included, such as opportunities for strategic and competitive advantage, increased operational efficiency, and information management using databases and data warehouses. Students are introduced to technology terms and key concepts, as well as procedures for evaluating, implementing and managing technology solutions in a business enterprise. Students also consider related ethical issues and emerging trends. Note: Students cannot receive credit for both this course and either BUIS 808 Microcomputer Applications in Business or BUIS 970 Technology Applications for Administrators.

**BUIS 933 Enterprise Information Technology**

An examination of the management and use of information technology (IT) in a business organization. The course explores topics including evaluating technology solutions, understanding business networks, data and network security, the strategic and tactical role of IT in business, managing IT infrastructure and operations, IT planning and architecture, data and information management, and intelligent systems.

Prerequisite: Acceptance into M.B.A. program, the P.S.M. concentration in Biotechnology, or permission from program coordinator.

**BUIS 956 Project Management for Biotechnology**

Designed for life science professionals. This course utilizes the project management model developed by the Project Management Institute to introduce students to a common methodology for project planning and control. Specific emphasis is placed on project management in biotechnology and the life sciences.

Prerequisite: Acceptance into the P.S.M. concentration in Biotechnology.

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**CHEMISTRY COURSES****CHEM 936 Current Topics in Biochemistry**

An advanced biochemistry course designed to enhance the understanding of protein structure, function and biosynthesis; enzyme structure, function and regulation; and carbohydrate metabolism and energetics. This course draws upon the fields of organic chemistry, biochemistry and cell biology for understanding the rationale for the development of new therapeutic agents used in the pharmaceutical industry.

Prerequisite: Acceptance into the P.S.M. program in Biotechnology and previous completion of an undergraduate biochemistry course (or equivalent).

**CHEM 990 Directed Study in Food Science/Nutrition Science**

Investigation of a substantial original research topic dealing with food science or nutrition science. Research will conclude with a detailed research report as directed by the graduate advisor.

Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

**DUAL-LEVEL ELECTIVES**

*(Offered in conjunction with the corresponding undergraduate course)*

**CHEM 803 Physical Chemistry I**

An introduction to the principles of physical chemistry. The topics treated include chemical thermodynamics, phase equilibria, solutions, the kinetic theory of gases, chemical kinetics, electrochemistry, spectroscopy and quantum chemistry.

Prerequisites: Principles of Physics I and II, and two courses in Calculus.

**CHEM 804 Physical Chemistry II**

An introduction to the principles of physical chemistry. The topics treated include chemical thermodynamics, phase equilibria, solutions, the kinetic theory of gases, chemical kinetics, electrochemistry, spectroscopy and quantum chemistry.

Prerequisites: Principles of Physics I and II, and two courses in Calculus.

**CHEM 821 Instrumental Analysis**

An introduction to the theory and application of common chemical instrumentation with associated laboratory. Topics include spectroscopic methods (atomic and molecular absorption and emission, nuclear magnetic resonance, and mass spectrometry), electrochemical methods (potentiometry and voltammetry), and chromatographic methods (GC, HPLC). Students are required to enroll in the corresponding laboratory (4 hours).

Prerequisites: Organic Chemistry II and Principles of Physics II.

**CHEM 829 Nutritional Biochemistry/Metabolism**

A detailed investigation of protein, lipid, carbohydrate and nucleic acid metabolism in the total scheme of integrated metabolic systems. Direct and circumstantial relationships involving animal and human nutrition in normal and pathological health conditions will be discussed wherever a dietary or nutritional component is involved.

Prerequisite: Biochemistry or Biochemistry I-Structures, Mechanisms, and Analysis.

**CHEM 832 Biochemistry II**

A continuation of Biochemistry I, which covers basic nucleotide chemistry. Informational biomolecules, nucleotide metabolism, cell signaling and regulatory mechanisms, molecular physiology, protein structure and catalysis, regulation of biochemical processes, and integrated metabolic systems are studied in-depth. Laboratory emphasizes enzyme isolation, molecular modeling, and analytical biotechnology.

Prerequisites: Organic Chemistry II and Biochemistry I.

**CHEM 861 Advanced Analytical Chemistry**

A discussion of topics selected from recent literature in chromatography, ion selective electrodes and sensors, atomic spectroscopy, surface analysis, Fourier transform methods, computerized data acquisition, data treatment, and laboratory automation.

Prerequisites: Organic Chemistry II, Physical Chemistry II, and Instrumental Analysis, or permission of the instructor.

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**COUNSELING PSYCHOLOGY COURSES****CPSY 901 Theories of Psychotherapy and Counseling**

An examination of the theoretical, empirical bases, and application of the various counseling models. Students explore the nature of the client-therapist relationship in the context of different approaches and techniques of psychotherapy and counseling (e.g., psychoanalytic, behavior modification, client centered, rational-emotive, and family systems). *Note: This course is open to non-matriculated students.*

Prerequisites: Psychology of Personality or Abnormal Psychology or the equivalent.

**CPSY 910 Group Processes in Counseling**

The study of theories of organization, structure and dynamics of groups (e.g., therapeutic, psychosocial, and psychoeducational) including techniques of group leadership. Through an experiential component, students have an opportunity to apply group theory and models relevant to a counseling setting.

Prerequisites: CPSY 911 Orientation to Counseling Practice, CPSY 956 Understanding Social Science Research, CPSY 901 Theories of Psychotherapy and Counseling, and CPSY 964 Advanced Principles of Learning and Development; or permission of Program Coordinator.

**CPSY 911 Orientation to Counseling Practice**

Designed to provide a laboratory-based experience focusing on the theoretical bases of the helping process. The development of basic counseling skills needed to work with individuals, couples, and families are explored. Listening and feedback skills, as well as the counselor-client relationship are covered. Evaluations are based on in-class role-playing, along with audio and video presentations. Counselor interpersonal style and theoretical orientation are explored. *Note: This course is open to non-matriculated students.*

Prerequisites: Psychology of Personality or Abnormal Psychology or the equivalent

**CPSY 919 Problems of Substance Abuse**

Examines various aspects of substance abuse including causes, prevention, recognition, theories and treatment. Various treatment modes are discussed (e.g., nutritional, pharmacological and psychological). *Note: This course includes three clock hours addressing ethics.*

**CPSY 921 Professional Issues in Counseling and Mental Health**

A consideration of the ethical and legal issues relevant to the counseling and mental health professions. This course reviews the ethical principles of the American Psychological Association and the American Counseling Association. The history of the counseling profession is covered with emphasis on the emerging role of the mental health counselor. Topics explored include certification, licensure, federal and state regulations (e.g., confidentiality, duty to warn), and professional identity.

**CPSY 925 Psychopathology**

An examination of the current paradigms in abnormal psychology in terms of their historical development, current status and the consequences of adopting a particular paradigm. Students analyze assessments, diagnosis and treatment planning procedures. Controversies in classification of abnormal behaviors and diagnostic issues are discussed in terms of the most recent version of the Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders.

Prerequisites: CPSY 901 Theories of Psychotherapy and Counseling and CPSY 921 Professional Issues in Counseling and Mental Health.

**CPSY 938 The Arts and Mental Health**

Designed to introduce students to the principles and practices of the arts in relation to mental health counseling. Students engage with various arts - music and sound, dance and movement, storytelling, poetry, the visual arts, drama, and psychodrama - and their integration and role in therapy. Students learn emerging theories about the application of the arts to well-being, attuning to clients, the creative process, improvisation, critical perspectives, community involvement, social action, and trauma models. The roles of culture, experience, understanding, and application of the arts in relation to the clinical population/s and contexts students are working with are emphasized. Theoretical concepts and experiential activities focus on ways for the therapist and client to build cultural connections with self and others, authentically engage in creative processes, and co-create transformative change. Students create a project and presentation applying a particular art form with a specific population..

**CPSY 943 Issues in Family Counseling**

A review of various perspectives on marriage and family counseling in the context of their theoretical bases. The primary emphasis is on the family as a dynamic system focusing on the interactions among members, rather than on the individuals themselves. Psychopathology and functional interactions in families, as well as strategies for effecting change in the system, are examined.

Prerequisites: CPSY 911 Orientation to Counseling Practice, CPSY 956 Understanding Social Science Research, CPSY 901 Theories of Psychotherapy and Counseling, and CPSY 964 Advanced Principles of Learning and Development, CPSY 990 Practicum I and CPSY 991 Practicum II.

**CPSY 945 Multicultural Counseling: Research, Theory, and Practice**

Designed to provide counselors, teachers, and other human service workers with deeper insight and keener perceptions of the unique experience and lifestyles of people who have been labeled "minority". Students examine the impact of culture as it relates to the counseling process. Moreover, in-depth characterization of family structure, world view, and interpersonal styles of African-American, Asian-American, Hispanic-American, and Native American groups are explored. Cultural self-awareness and responsiveness, and their application to multicultural counseling techniques and skills are considered.

Prerequisites: CPSY 911 Orientation to Counseling Practice, CPSY 956 Understanding Social Science Research, CPSY 901 Theories of Psychotherapy and Counseling, and CPSY 964 Advanced Principles of Learning and Development, CPSY 990 Practicum I and CPSY 991 Practicum II.

**CPSY 956 Understanding Social Science Research**

An introduction to the research principles needed for understanding and critically evaluating various types of research including program evaluation and needs assessments. Research articles in counseling are used to illustrate the concepts required for understanding the role of theory in research; the development of testable questions and hypotheses; the use of appropriate research methods, research designs and data analysis; and the drawing of appropriate conclusions from the study as well as ethical and legal issues. Emphasis is placed on conceptual understanding rather than on formulas and computations.

**CPSY 962 Theories and Methods of Psychological Testing**

An introduction to testing concepts and clinical testing procedures needed for the understanding and utilization of psychological evaluation reports. Various instruments, including intelligence, personality, projective and achievement tests, which are commonly employed in the preparation of psychological reports, are examined and discussed. Topics also include the theory and methods of psychological measurement, test development, statistical procedures in psychometrics, reliability, validity, test administration and interpretation, and the uses and limitations of published evaluation instruments for counseling purposes.

Prerequisites: CPSY 911 Orientation to Counseling Practice, CPSY 956 Understanding Social Science Research, CPSY 901 Theories of Psychotherapy and Counseling, and CPSY 964 Advanced Principles of Learning and Development; or permission of the Program Coordinator.

**CPSY 964 Advanced Principles of Learning and Development**

An examination of developmental psychology in historical perspective and of the assumptions and values of developmental research strategies. Major developmental theories are reviewed with an emphasis on those of Piaget and Erikson, thus integrating the contributions of dialectic (systems) perspective. A major goal of the course is to identify life-span developmental issues such as the nature of developmental change and its relationships to familial and societal variables. A final goal is the application of knowledge arising from developmental research and theory to counseling practice (e.g., human services, social policies). Class members are assisted in applying developmental concepts and research data to phenomena occurring within a particular age group, (e.g. infancy, middle childhood, young adulthood), or to a psychological process (e.g., memory, learning, separation, friendship), which continues or recurs throughout the life span.

Prerequisite: A developmental psychology course (e.g., child, adolescent psychology, adulthood and aging or a life span developmental course). Note: Also open to students matriculated in the M.Ed. concentration in the Early Childhood Education Program.

**CPSY 966 Assessment, Diagnosis and Treatment Planning**

Focuses on the development of specific clinical skills associated with intake processing, DMS diagnosis, and treatment planning. Consideration is also given to various intervention strategies for diverse clients, techniques for crisis intervention treatment planning, and the role of multidisciplinary team approaches in managed health care systems. Legal and ethical issues relating to diagnosis are reviewed.

**CPSY 975 Mental Health Counseling Practicum**

An opportunity for a supervised practicum field experience in mental health counseling. Guided by a cooperating agency and University faculty, students participate in aspects of the counseling process which may include assessment, diagnosis and treatment, ethical considerations, and use of self in the counseling process. Connections between this practicum, the counseling internship, and the counseling field are discussed. Note: This course fulfills the practicum requirement for licensure as a Mental Health Counselor in Massachusetts.

Prerequisites: CPSY 901 Theories of Psychotherapy and Counseling, CPSY 911 Orientation to Counseling Practice, CPSY 921 Professional Issues in Counseling and Mental Health, CPSY 925 Psychopathology, and permission of the advisor.

**CPSY 979 Forensic Psychology**

The application of psychology to legal issues. During this course, students learn how mental illness can impact pre-trial issues such as competency to stand trial and criminal responsibility. Post-sentencing issues such as aid-in-sentencing and the management and treatment of mental illness during incarceration are addressed. Working with police departments, conducting child custody evaluations and the role of public policy are also discussed. Tours to various local forensic environments may be included.

Prerequisites: CPSY 901 Theories of Psychotherapy and Counseling, CPSY 911 Orientation to Counseling, CPSY 921 Professional Issues in Counseling and Mental Health, and CPSY 925 Psychopathology; and Permission of Advisor.

**CPSY 995 Directed Research in Psychological Research**

An opportunity for advanced students in psychology to develop further their understanding of the research principles necessary for critically evaluating published articles in the professional literature by actively participating in the research process at the graduate level. Students develop advanced research skills by working with a professor to complete ongoing research in the field or to develop a joint project supervised by the instructor. Students master skills necessary for reviewing literature, developing research hypotheses, writing proposals, integrating the theories relevant to the project, and drawing the appropriate conclusion. Students also apply basic statistical knowledge to data collected, and develop an understanding of computer assisted statistical analysis packages.

Prerequisite: CPSY 956 Understanding Social Science Research; or permission of the graduate advisor and program coordinator.

**CPSY 996 Independent Study in Counseling Psychology**

Provides students with the opportunity for faculty-supervised experience in counseling psychology that can be tailored to their specific interests or needs. Two (2) semester hours credit. The course may be taken twice.

Prerequisite: Permission of the program coordinator and instructor. Open to matriculated students in the Master of Arts in Counseling Psychology Program.

**CPSY 997A Counseling Internship A**

Provides the student with an opportunity for a supervised experience in mental health counseling. This course integrates the foundations of counseling theory and practice. It is the final preparation stage for future employment. Students receive supervision for the experience by both a site supervisor at the cooperating agency and a college supervisor for the course. The student must complete a total of 200 clock hours, of which, 80 hours must be of direct service work with clientele, 6 hours must be of 1-1 supervision by on-site supervisor and 10 hours must be of group supervision by faculty supervisor. The remaining hours may be comprised of any combination of the above and/or administrative tasks required by the placement agency for a total of 200 hours. Taken together for a total of 600 hours, CPSY 997A Counseling Internship A, CPSY 997B Counseling Internship B, and CPSY 997C Counseling Internship C, fulfill the internship requirement for licensure as a Mental Health Counselor in Massachusetts. Students can only register for CPSY 997A during the summer semester and are required to enroll in CPSY 997B (fall) and CPSY 997C (spring) to complete their degree program. Note: Not open to students who have completed CPSY 998 Counseling Internship I or CPSY 999 Counseling Internship II.

Prerequisites: CPSY 975 Mental Health Counseling Practicum and permission of advisor.

**CPSY 997B Counseling Internship B**

Provides the student with an opportunity for a supervised experience in mental health counseling. This course integrates the foundations of counseling theory and practice. It is the final preparation stage for future employment. Students receive supervision for the experience by both a site supervisor at the cooperating agency and a college supervisor for the course. The student must complete a total of 200 clock hours, of which, 80 hours must be of direct service work with clientele, 6 hours must be of 1-1 supervision by on-site supervisor and 10 hours must be of group supervision by faculty supervisor. The remaining hours may be comprised of any combination of the above and/or administrative tasks required by the placement agency for a total of 200 hours. Taken together for a total of 600 hours, CPSY 997A Counseling Internship A, CPSY 997B Counseling Internship B, and CPSY 997C Counseling Internship C, fulfill the internship requirement for licensure as a Mental Health Counselor in Massachusetts. Students can only register for CPSY 997B during the fall and CPSY 997C during the spring to complete their degree program. Note: Not open to students who have completed CPSY 998 Counseling Internship I or CPSY 999 Counseling Internship II.

Prerequisites: Successful completion of CPSY 997A Counseling Internship A and permission of advisor.

**CPSY 997C Counseling Internship C**

Provides the student with an opportunity for a supervised experience in mental health counseling. This course integrates the foundations of counseling theory and practice. It is the final preparation stage for future employment. Students receive supervision for the experience by both a site supervisor at the cooperating agency and a college supervisor for the course. The student must complete a total of 200 clock hours, of which, 80 hours must be of direct service work with clientele, 6 hours must be of 1-1 supervision by on-site supervisor and 10 hours must be of group supervision by faculty supervisor. The remaining hours may be comprised of any combination of the above and/or administrative tasks required by the placement agency for a total of 200 hours. Taken together for a total of 600 hours, CPSY 997A Counseling Internship A, CPSY 997B Counseling Internship B, and CPSY 997C Counseling Internship C, fulfill the internship requirement for licensure as a Mental Health Counselor in Massachusetts. Students can only register for CPSY 997C during the spring to complete their degree program. Note: Not open to students who have completed CPSY 998 Counseling Internship I or CPSY 999 Counseling Internship II.

Prerequisites: Successful completion of CPSY 997B Counseling Internship B and permission of advisor.

**CPSY 998 Counseling Internship I**

Provides the student with an opportunity for a supervised experience in counseling. The student is guided by the cooperating agency and the college instructor in counseling. CPSY 998 Counseling Internship I, together with CPSY 999 Counseling Internship II, fulfills the internship requirement for licensure as a Mental Health Counselor in Massachusetts.

Prerequisite: CPSY 975 Mental Health Counseling Practicum and permission of advisor. Not open to students who have completed CPSY 997A, CPSY 997B or CPSY 997C, Counseling Internships A, B, or C.

**CPSY 999 Counseling Internship II**

Continuation of the internship which provides further opportunity for a supervised experience in counseling. The student is guided by the cooperating agency and the college instructor in counseling. CPSY 999 Counseling Internship II, together with CPSY 998 Counseling Internship I, fulfills the internship requirement for licensure as a Mental Health Counselor in Massachusetts.

Prerequisite: Successful completion of CPSY 998 Counseling Internship I. Not open to students who have completed CPSY 997A, CPSY 997B or CPSY 997C, Counseling Internships A, B, or C.



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## EARTH SCIENCE COURSES

### **EASC 846 Oceanography**

The structure and origin of ocean water basins; the origin and chemistry of seawater; the physical dynamics of the sea including oceanic circulation, waves, and tides; geology of coastal areas; some marine ecology; and management practices for coastal and oceanic environments are covered. Several field trips will supplement lectures. This course is designed for all students interested in the oceans and their preservation.

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## ECONOMICS COURSES

### **ECON 905 Economic Analysis for Managers**

An exploration of economic principles, analytical tools, and concepts applicable to managerial decision-making problems. Specific topics include supply and demand analysis, organization of the firm, incentive compensation, information problems and uncertainty, production and costs, market structure, pricing strategies and techniques, capital budgeting, risk analysis, and the application of game theory to managerial decisions and negotiations.

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## EDUCATION COURSES

### **EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION**

#### **ECED 908 Communication Development - Birth to Age 8**

An exploration of brain development and current research, communication milestones, teaching strategies, interventions and assessments for each stage of oral language development from infancy through third grade. Educators gain a well-rounded understanding of the underpinnings of language development as an essential foundation for building future learning from birth to age eight.

#### **ECED 911 Play and Observation**

Examines the value of play as part of the learning process; of play theories and research and the relationship of play to the emotional, social, and cognitive development of young children; and of play to the subjects of early childhood curriculum. Therapeutic uses of play and the design of learning environments which promote play will be included. Students acquire skills in observing and analyzing children in classroom and non-classroom settings.

#### **ECED 912 Advanced Early Childhood Curriculum**

Deals with the planning, implementing, and evaluating of developmentally appropriate integrated learning experiences for young children in the subject matter of early childhood education (early literacy, children's literature, early mathematics, science and social studies, health and nutrition, movement and the arts); creating, evaluating and selecting instructional materials; and designing learning environments which meet the needs of the children with and without special needs. Evaluates current research and early childhood curriculum models.

#### **ECED 921 Foundations of Literacy Development and Assessment Practices in Grades PreK-2 with Field Experience I**

An introduction to developmentally appropriate teaching practices in early childhood with an emphasis on language acquisition and development in young children. Through a study of early reading, writing, and literature, instructional methods are taught, applied, and evaluated, using educational technology as appropriate. Students develop teaching strategies for beginning and fluent readers in critical literacy skills, such as phonemic awareness, phonics, fluency, vocabulary, and comprehension. Student learn to observe and record the behavior of young children and apply knowledge of developmental stages and characteristics of young children (ages 3 - 8) to an integrated language arts curriculum. Students also begin their study of characteristics of high-incidence and low-incidence disabilities. The course includes ways to create a classroom environment which recognizes the racial, cultural, and linguistic diversity in young children and supports their learning. Note: Child Development Lab or Early Childhood Center experience or an appropriate alternative placement for three (3) hours per week is required.

Corequisite: ECED 931 Social and Emotional Learning and Inclusive Practices for Students with Disabilities in Grades PreK-2 with Field Experience I.

Prerequisites: EDIL 910 Education Foundations and EDIL 920 Learning and Human Development.

**ECED 931 Social and Emotional Learning and Inclusive Practices for Students with Disabilities in Grades PreK-2 with Field Experience I**

An introduction to special education with a focus on social emotional learning and inclusive practices that early childhood and elementary educators use to support children with disabilities in general education settings. Students explore the concept of disability and how it is socially constructed and understood in cultural contexts. Students study special education laws and procedures, disability categories, eligibility determination, and Individualized Education Programs (IEPs). Students also study research-based methods such as universal design for learning (UDL) and multi-tiered systems of support (MTSS) for supporting all learners. The course also includes an exploration of educational technology and assistive technology tools. Field experiences allow the students to observe and interview professionals who provide special education services. Note: This course requires a field experience of 18 hours.

Corequisite: ECED 921 Foundations of Literacy Development and Assessment Practices in Grades PreK-2 with Field Experience I

Prerequisites: EDIL 910 Education Foundations and EDIL 920 Learning and Human Development.

**ECED 942 English Language Arts, Art, Social Studies, and Culturally Responsive Teaching in Grades PreK-2 with Field Experience II**

An exploration of the connections between English Language Arts (ELA), Arts, and Social Studies to support the beneficial integration of these content areas within inclusive classrooms. Students explore topics such as civics, geography, history, culture, economics, and leadership to develop a comprehensive understanding of social studies subject matter knowledge. Students apply this knowledge and demonstrate their ability to integrate content areas using a theme-based approach to design a unit of study. In addition, students are introduced to children's literature and literacy activities focused on social studies to create interdisciplinary learning experiences for children. Arts are incorporated to support an interdisciplinary focus. Students also explore, evaluate, and adapt curriculum resources, including the use of educational technology, to ensure students are introduced to diverse perspectives in the early childhood classroom.

Prerequisites: ECED 921 Foundations of Literacy Development and Assessment Practices in Grades PreK-2 with Field Experience I and ECED 931 Social and Emotional Learning and Inclusive Practices for Students with Disabilities in Grades PreK-2 with Field Experience I.

Corequisites: TESL 910 Sheltered English Immersion.

**ECED 953M Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment Practices in Teaching Mathematics in Grades PreK-2 with Field Experience III**

An exploration of the PreK-2 mathematics curriculum, instruction, assessment practices, and the relevant research related to preparing early childhood students to teach mathematics to diverse student populations. Students design and implement lessons, including with the use of educational technology, according to research on how young children learn mathematics and investigate major mathematical concepts. Note: This course requires a field experience of 36 hours.

Prerequisites: ECED 942 English Language Arts, Art, Social Studies, and Culturally Responsive Teaching in Grades PreK-2 with Field Experience II and TESL 910 Sheltered English Immersion.

Corequisite: ECED 953S Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment Practices in Teaching Science in Grades PreK-2 with Field Experience III.

**ECED 953S Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment Practices in Teaching Science in Grades PreK-2 with Field Experience III**

An inquiry-based approach to integrating technology in teaching science to young children that is based on current research in science education. Students design and implement developmentally appropriate science instruction for children in Grades PreK-2. Science talks, inquiry teaching methods, curriculum development and adaptation, management of the learning environment, and safety in the science classroom are emphasized. Note: This course requires a pre-practicum field placement of 36 hours.

Prerequisites: ECED 942 English Language Arts, Art, Social Studies, and Culturally Responsive Teaching in Grades PreK-2 with Field Experience II and TESL 910 Sheltered English Immersion.

Corequisite: ECED 953M Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment Practices in Mathematics in Grades PreK-2 with Field Experience III.

**ECED 980A Early Childhood Education Professional Practicum A**

A supervised student-teaching practicum in a public-school classroom five days per week, appropriate for the license sought, in which students have an opportunity to practice teaching competencies under the supervision of a supervising practitioner and a University supervisor. Students also participate in a seminar to analyze teaching strategies, refine classroom management practices, develop curriculum, and reflect on their teaching practice. Other than the corequisite, no other course may be taken while enrolled in this course. Note: This course is graded as satisfactory/unsatisfactory.

Prerequisites: Satisfactory completion of student teaching application which includes a passing score on all required Massachusetts Tests for Educator Licensure (MTEL) for Early Childhood teachers; all required graduate coursework, 3.00 GPA in all courses in the Early Childhood Education program.

Corequisite: ECED 980B Early Childhood Education Professional Practicum B.

**ECED 980B Early Childhood Education Professional Practicum B**

A second supervised student-teaching practicum in a public-school classroom five days per week, appropriate for the license sought, in which students have an opportunity to practice teaching competencies under the supervision of a supervising practitioner and a University supervisor. Students also participate in a seminar to analyze teaching strategies, refine classroom management practices, develop curriculum, and reflect on their teaching practice.

Prerequisites: A passing score on all required Massachusetts Tests for Educator Licensure (MTEL) for Early Childhood teachers; Satisfactory completion of ECED 980A Early Childhood Education Professional Practicum A.

Corequisite: ECED 980A Early Childhood Education Professional Practicum A.

**EDUCATION****EDUC 921 Supervision, Staff Development, and Collaborative Leadership**

Emphasizes issues affecting the professional teacher and staff. Students practice interpersonal and technical skills to assist them in working with others and in improving the quality of classroom instruction. The course explores principles of change, trends, and models of staff development, issues related to sharing leadership among teachers and administrators, and the development of a professional culture in schools.

**EDUC 925 Curriculum: Theory and Practice**

Examines theory and practice in curriculum development and evaluation. Emphasis is placed upon K-12 curriculum objectives, models of curriculum and relationships of curriculum to basic texts.

**EDUC 926 Issues and Influences in Education**

Examines issues and influences that affect education and educational practice. Attention is given to the special character of overseas education. Emphasis is placed on understanding and strategy building.

**EDUC 927 Advanced Teaching Strategies**

Designed to help educators become more skilled and versatile in their application of teaching strategies, including guided discovery, discussion formats, questioning skills, inquiry training, cooperative groupings, and individualized formats. Students design a comparative study of teaching strategies, including lesson materials and evaluation instruments, to be conducted in a current or future classroom setting, depending on each student's circumstances. The course analyzes research findings, comparative research designs, and the relationship between teaching strategies and learning styles.

**EDUC 932 Creative Teaching Techniques and Utilization of Multimedia**

An introduction to the appropriate use of media methods and creative techniques that improve classroom communication. Familiarization with available instructional multimedia and its proper utilization is stressed. Emphasis is also on organizational development and analyzing effective presentation strategies. There are opportunities, when appropriate, for on-site production experience.

**EDUC 940 Adult Development and Learning**

Examines theories of adult development from adulthood to old age. Explores the cognitive, moral, physical, social and psychological development of the adult and those characteristics and patterns that are unique to adult learning and growth. A cross-cultural approach is emphasized. Current research and revisionists theories are reviewed.

**EDUC 970 Research and Evaluation**

A focus on practical research related to students, curriculum, and schools. Research methodology, including technology, is used to improve teaching, learning, and the educational setting. Students complete a content-specific research project related to their designated graduate program. Note: Students cannot receive credit for both this course and EDUC 999 Research and Evaluation.

**EDUC 991 Philosophy of Education and Teaching Practice**

An understanding of educational philosophies as the basis for educational practice; with the development of one's own educational philosophy; and with the use of the philosophical bases to address issues of instruction, (e.g. individual assessment, appropriate communication, and equality in education).

**EDUC 998 Language Development and Communication**

A consideration of typical and atypical language acquisitions and development in children. Topics covered include differences between first and second language acquisition, the communication process, the relationship between the language of the school and the language of the community. Implications of ethnic, linguistic, psychological, and cultural differences among children for language learning are explored.

**EDUCATION – INITIAL LICENSURE COURSES****EDIL 900 Field Study I in Education and Seminar**

The initial field experience for all students in the Post Baccalaureate Teacher Licensure (PBTL) program or Master of Education (M.Ed.) with a concentration in Secondary Education program. Students observe and participate in a broad spectrum of experiences in non-charter public schools to develop an understanding of classrooms, schools, teachers, and administrators and their respective roles and responsibilities. Students are introduced to the Professional Standards for Teachers (PST) and the Subject Matter Knowledge (SMK) through activities that include but are not limited to guided observations, instructional supports to supervising teachers, and other coursework requirements. During regularly held seminars, opportunities are provided for students to debrief on their learning experiences in the Pre-K-12 classroom. NOTE: Students must have applied to the PBTL or M.Ed. in Secondary Education programs before enrolling in this experience.

Prerequisites: EDIL 910 Education Foundations or EDIL 920 Learning and Human Development; or concurrently enrolled. Departmental permission required.

**EDIL 910 Education Foundations**

An examination of the educational world of children and adolescents in the United States. Considers the historical, philosophical, social, economic, and political functions of the complex educational structures in the United States, and how they deal with cross-cultural perspectives, race and social class influences, and matters of public policy. Also examined are state and federal educational law and advocacy issues related to children and their families. Emphasis is on current trends in education. NOTE: Students cannot receive credit for both this course and PBTL 910 Education Foundations or PBTL 997 Children, Adolescents, School and Society.

Prerequisites: Admission into the PBTL program or an M.Ed. program.

**EDIL 920 Learning and Human Development**

Examines human development from a life span perspective covering topics beginning with conception and continuing through the process of aging. Learning and developmental theories are presented with an emphasis on understanding the individual's cognitive, social and emotional growth, and also his/her successful transition through each life stage. NOTE: Students cannot receive credit for both this course and PBTL 992 Learning and Human Development.

Prerequisites: Admission into the PBTL program or an M.Ed. program.

**EDIL 926 Secondary Methods with Field Study II: Math/Science Grades 5-8**

Designed to prepare middle school math/science teachers to create and implement research-based mathematics and science teaching methods to support all students in mastering expectations outlined in the Massachusetts Science and Technology/Engineering Curriculum and Framework and the Mathematics Curriculum Framework for Grades 5-8. The purposes, problems, issues, strategies, and materials in the teaching of math/science at the middle school level are examined critically using education research through classroom discussions, individual and group work, and peer teaching. All students in this course are to be active participants in constructivist-styled lesson planning, where best practices in math/science teaching are modeled. All students participate in debriefing sessions held to analyze the elements needed for success in teaching, learning, and assessing middle school math/science learning.

**DUAL-LEVEL COURSES**

*(Offered in conjunction with the corresponding undergraduate course)*

**EDIL 802 - Professional Preparation II: Special Needs and Educational Technology**

An interpretation of the basic principles of teaching and classroom methodology that support all learners. Emphasis is given to methods, materials and environmental arrangements that support learners with special needs, including students with disabilities, students who are homeless, students who are gifted, and those with other special needs. Educational technology, including assistive technology, Web 2.0 resources, and web-based tools, is addressed. Candidates develop technology-based tools to communicate with students and parents and evaluate potential web-based resources for planning and teaching. Careful attention is given to accommodations, modifications, differentiation and Universal Design, using the Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks as a basis for instructional planning. Responsiveness to all learners is stressed.

Corequisite: EDIL 815 Professional Preparation and Field Study II: General and Discipline-Specific Methods for High School, EDIL 816 Professional Preparation and Field Study II: General and Discipline-Specific Methods for Middle Schools, or ECED 931 Social and Emotional Learning and Inclusive Practices for Students with Disabilities in Grades PreK-2 with Field Experience I. Note: Students cannot receive credit for this course if EDUC 300 Professional Preparation II: Special Needs and Educational Technology has already been completed as an undergraduate student.

Prerequisites: A passing score on each portion of the Communication and Literacy Skills test of the Massachusetts Tests for Educator Licensure (MTEL); EDIL 800 Field Study I in Education, and either EDIL 910 Education Foundations or EDIL 920 Learning and Human Development; overall GPA of 2.80 and a 2.80 GPA in all courses in the secondary education program, including EDIL 920 Learning and Human Development.

**EDIL 819 Professional Preparation & Field Study II General and Discipline-Specific Methods for Visual Art Grades PreK-8 & 5-12**

An interpretation of the basic principles of teaching and classroom methodology. Emphasis is given to methods in teaching visual art, socio-cultural forces, and organizational patterns. Careful attention is given to the use of the Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks in lesson and unit planning. Clarity of communication, design of instruction, effective evaluation and responsiveness to all learners are stressed. The field experience consists of a placement one day per week in a school appropriate for the level of Visual Art licensure sought. Note: Students cannot receive credit for this course if EDUC 319 Professional Preparation & Field Study II: General and Discipline-Specific Methods for Visual Art Grades PreK-8 & 5-12 has already been completed as an undergraduate student.

Corequisite: EDIL 802 Professional Preparation II: Special Needs and Educational Technology must be taken concurrently.

Prerequisites: A passing score on each portion of the Communication and Literacy Skills test of the Massachusetts Tests for Educator Licensure (MTEL); EDIL 800 Field Study I in Education, and either EDIL 910 Education Foundations or EDIL 920 Learning and Human Development.

**EDIL 821 Secondary Methods with Field Study II: English Grades 5-12**

An interpretation of the basic principles of teaching and classroom methodology appropriate for the license sought. Emphasis is given to inquiry methods of teaching, socio-cultural forces impacting classrooms, and organizational patterns and structures of the secondary setting. Careful attention is given to the use of the Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks in lesson and unit planning. Clarity of communication, design of instruction, and effective evaluation and responsiveness to all learners are stressed. The field study involves six (6) or more hours per week, for a minimum of 72 total hours, in a public school classroom appropriate for the license sought.

Corequisite: EDIL 802 Professional Preparation II: Special Needs and Educational Technology must be taken concurrently.

Prerequisites: A passing score on each portion of the Communication and Literacy Skills test of the Massachusetts Tests for Educator Licensure (MTEL); EDIL 800 Field Study I in Education, and EDIL 910 Education Foundations and EDIL 920 Learning and Human Development.

**EDIL 822 Secondary Methods with Field Study II: History Grades 5-12**

An interpretation of the basic principles of teaching and classroom methodology appropriate for the license sought. Emphasis is given to inquiry methods of teaching, socio-cultural forces impacting classrooms, and organizational patterns and structures of the secondary setting. Careful attention is given to the use of the Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks in lesson and unit planning. Clarity of communication, design of instruction, and effective evaluation and responsiveness to all learners are stressed. The field study involves six (6) or more hours per week, for a minimum of 72 total hours, in a public school classroom appropriate for the license sought.

Corequisite: EDIL 802 Professional Preparation II: Special Needs and Educational Technology must be taken concurrently.

Prerequisites: A passing score on each portion of the Communication and Literacy Skills test of the Massachusetts Tests for Educator Licensure (MTEL); EDIL 800 Field Study I in Education, and EDIL 910 Education Foundations and EDIL 920 Learning and Human Development.

**EDIL 823 Secondary Methods with Field Study II: Mathematics Grades 5-8 & 8-12**

An interpretation of the basic principles of teaching and classroom methodology appropriate for the license sought. Emphasis is given to inquiry methods of teaching, socio-cultural forces impacting classrooms, and organizational patterns and structures of the secondary setting. Careful attention is given to the use of the Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks in lesson and unit planning. Clarity of communication, design of instruction, and effective evaluation and responsiveness to all learners are stressed. The field study involves six (6) or more hours per week, for a minimum of 72 total hours, in a public school classroom appropriate for the license sought.

Corequisite: EDIL 802 Professional Preparation II: Special Needs and Educational Technology must be taken concurrently.

Prerequisites: A passing score on each portion of the Communication and Literacy Skills test of the Massachusetts Tests for Educator Licensure (MTEL); EDIL 800 Field Study I in Education, and EDIL 910 Education Foundations and EDIL 920 Learning and Human Development.

**EDIL 825 Secondary Methods with Field Study II: Science Grades 8-12**

An interpretation of the basic principles of teaching and classroom methodology appropriate for the license sought. Emphasis is given to inquiry methods of teaching, socio-cultural forces impacting classrooms, and organizational patterns and structures of the secondary setting. Careful attention is given to the use of the Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks in lesson and unit planning. Clarity of communication, design of instruction, and effective evaluation and responsiveness to all learners are stressed. The field study involves six (6) or more hours per week, for a minimum of 72 total hours, in a public school classroom appropriate for the license sought.

Corequisite: EDIL 802 Professional Preparation II: Special Needs and Educational Technology must be taken concurrently.

Prerequisites: A passing score on each portion of the Communication and Literacy Skills test of the Massachusetts Tests for Educator Licensure (MTEL).

**ELEMENTARY EDUCATION****ELED 921 Foundations of Literacy Development and Assessment Practices in Grades 1-6 with Field Experience I**

An introduction to lesson planning and elementary education with an overview of balanced, integrated, and interactive approaches to evidence-based literacy instruction. This course equips elementary students with foundational knowledge and strategies to teach and assess 21st-century literacies—the processes and phases of literacy and language development and study of multimodal text demands. Emphasis on self-critique and analytical thinking furthers instructional design, implementing an effective classroom literacy environment, and developing assessments responsive to multiple factors that affect the everyday literate lives of children. Students interpret, evaluate, and use current reading research to inform practice. Alongside an exploration of both digital and traditional texts to be selected for literacy instruction in diverse contexts, students also learn ways to negotiate critical literacies pedagogy in an elementary classroom. Note: This course requires a field experience of 18 hours.

Corequisite: EDUC 931 Social and Emotional Learning and Inclusive Practices for Students with Disabilities in Grades 1-6 with Field Experience I.

Prerequisites: EDIL 910 Education Foundations and EDIL 920 Learning and Human Development.

**ELED 931 Social and Emotional Learning and Inclusive Practices for Students with Disabilities in Grades 1-6 with Field Experience I**

An introduction to special education with a focus on social emotional learning and inclusive practices that early childhood and elementary educators use to support children with disabilities in general education settings. Students explore the concept of disability and how it is socially constructed and understood in cultural contexts. Students study special education laws and procedures, disability categories, eligibility determination, and Individualized Education Programs (IEPs). Students also study research-based methods such as universal design for learning (UDL) and multi-tiered systems of support (MTSS) for supporting all learners. The course also includes an exploration of educational technology and assistive technology tools. Field experiences allow the students to observe and interview professionals who provide special education services. Note: This course requires a field experience of 18 hours.

Corequisite: ELED 921 Foundations of Literacy Development and Assessment Practices in Grades 1-6 with Field Experience I.

Prerequisites: EDIL 910 Education Foundations and EDIL 920 Learning and Human Development.

**ELED 942 English Language Arts, Art, Social Studies, and Culturally Responsive Teaching in Grades 1-6 with Field Experience II**

An exploration of the connections between English Language Arts (ELA), Art, and Social Studies to support the beneficial integration of these content areas within inclusive classrooms. Students explore topics such as civics, geography, history, culture, economics, and leadership to develop a comprehensive understanding of social studies subject matter knowledge. Arts are incorporated to support an interdisciplinary focus. Students apply this knowledge as they integrate content areas using a theme-based approach to design a unit of study. In addition, students are introduced to children's literature and literacy activities focused on social studies to create interdisciplinary learning experiences for children. Students also explore, evaluate, and adapt curriculum resources, including the use of educational technology, to ensure students are introduced to diverse perspectives in the early childhood classroom.

Prerequisites: ELED 921 Foundations of Literacy Development and Assessment Practices in Grades 1-6 with Field Experience I and ELED 931 Social and Emotional Learning and Inclusive Practices for Students with Disabilities in Grades 1-6 with Field Experience I.

Corequisites: TESL 910 Sheltered English Immersion.

**ELED 953M Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment Practices Teaching Mathematics in Grades 1-6 with Field Experience III**

An exploration of the elementary mathematics curriculum in Grades 1-6 and the relevant research related to preparing elementary students to teach mathematics to diverse student populations. Elementary students design and implement lessons, including with the use of educational technology, according to research on how elementary age children learn mathematics and investigate the major mathematical concepts. Note: This course requires a field experience of 36 hours.

Corequisite: ELED 953S Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment Practices in Teaching Science in Grades 1-6 with Field Experience III.

Prerequisites: ELED 942 English Language Arts, Art, Social Studies, and Culturally Responsive Teaching in Grades 1-6 with Field Experience II and TESL 910 Sheltered English Immersion.

**ELED 953S Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment Practices in Teaching Science in Grades 1-6 with Field Experience III**

An inquiry-based approach to integrating technology in teaching science to children that is based on current research in science education. Students design and successfully implement developmentally appropriate science instruction for children in Grades 1-6. Science talks, inquiry teaching methods, curriculum development and adaptation, management of the learning environment, and safety in the science classroom are emphasized. Additionally, students explore the effects of socioscientific issues-based instruction on scientific literacy development in Grades 1-6. Note: This course requires a field experience of 36 hours.

Corequisite: ELED 953M Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment Practices in Teaching Mathematics in Grades 1-6 with Field Experience III.

Prerequisites: ELED 942 English Language Arts, Art, Social Studies, and Culturally Responsive Teaching in Grades 1-6 with Field Experience II and TESL 910 Sheltered English Immersion.

**ELED 980A Elementary Education Professional Practicum A**

A supervised student-teaching practicum in a public-school classroom five days per week, appropriate for the license sought, in which students have an opportunity to practice teaching competencies under the supervision of a supervising practitioner and a University supervisor. Students also participate in a seminar to analyze teaching strategies, refine classroom management practices, develop curriculum, and reflect on their teaching practice. Other than the co-requisites, no other course may be taken while enrolled in this course. Note: This course is graded as satisfactory/unsatisfactory.

Prerequisites: Satisfactory completion of student teaching application which includes a passing score on all required Massachusetts Tests for Educator Licensure (MTEL) for the Elementary teachers; all courses specified by the major department, overall GPA of 3.00 in all courses in the Elementary Education program.

Corequisite: ELED 980B Elementary Education Professional Practicum B.

**ELED 980B Elementary Education Professional Practicum B**

A second supervised student-teaching practicum in a public-school classroom five days per week, appropriate for the license sought, in which students have an opportunity to practice teaching competencies under the supervision of a supervising practitioner and a University supervisor. Students also participate in a seminar to analyze teaching strategies, refine classroom management practices, develop curriculum, and reflect on their teaching practice. Prerequisites: A passing score on all required Massachusetts Tests for Educator Licensure (MTEL) for Early Childhood teachers; Satisfactory completion of ELED 980A Elementary Education Professional Practicum A.

Corequisite: ELED 980A Elementary Education Professional Practicum A.

**EDUCATION LICENSURE COURSES****EDIL 920 Learning and Human Development**

Examines human development from a life span perspective covering topics beginning with conception and continuing through the process of aging. Learning and developmental theories are presented with an emphasis on understanding the individual's cognitive, social and emotional growth, and also his/her successful transition through each life stage. NOTE: Students cannot receive credit for both this course and PBTL 992 Learning and Human Development.

Prerequisites: Admissions into the PBTL program or an M.Ed. program.

**EDUCATION PRACTICUM/SEMINAR COURSES****DUAL-LEVEL COURSES**

*(Offered in conjunction with the corresponding undergraduate course)*

**EDPS 861A Secondary Professional Practicum A: English Grades 5-12 (Two course-credits)**

A supervised student-teaching practicum in a public school classroom five days per week, appropriate for the license sought, in which students have an opportunity to practice teaching competencies under the supervision of a supervising practitioner and a University supervisor. Students also participate in a seminar to analyze teaching strategies, refine classroom management practices, develop curriculum, and reflect on their teaching practice. Other than the co-requisite, no other course may be taken while enrolled in this course. This course is graded as satisfactory/unsatisfactory.

Corequisite: EDPS 861B Secondary Professional Practicum B: English Grades 5-12.

Prerequisites: Satisfactory completion of student teaching application which includes a passing score on all required Massachusetts Tests for Educator Licensure (MTEL) for the license sought; EDIL 821 Secondary Methods with Field Study II: English; any courses specified by the major department; overall GPA of 2.80 and 2.80 GPA in all courses in the secondary education program.

**EDPS 861B Secondary Professional Practicum B: English Grades 5-12 (Two course-credits)**

A second supervised student-teaching practicum in a public school classroom five days per week, appropriate for the license sought, in which students have an opportunity to practice teaching competencies under the supervision of a supervising practitioner and a University supervisor. Students also participate in a seminar to analyze teaching strategies, refine classroom management practices, develop curriculum, and reflect on their teaching practice. Other than the co-requisite, no other course may be taken while enrolled in this course.

Corequisite: EDPS 861A Secondary Professional Practicum A: English Grades 5-12.

Prerequisites: A passing score on all required Massachusetts Tests for Educator Licensure (MTEL) for the license sought; EDPS 861A Secondary Professional Practicum A: English Grades 5-12.

**EDPS 862A Secondary Professional Practicum A: History/Social Science Grades 5-12 (Two course-credits)**

A supervised student-teaching practicum in a public school classroom five days per week, appropriate for the license sought, in which students have an opportunity to practice teaching competencies under the supervision of a supervising practitioner and a University supervisor. Students also participate in a seminar to analyze teaching strategies, refine classroom management practices, develop curriculum, and reflect on their teaching practice. Other than the co-requisite, no other course may be taken while enrolled in this course. This course is graded as satisfactory/unsatisfactory.

Corequisite: EDPS 862B Secondary Professional Practicum B: History/Social Science Grades 5-12.

Prerequisites: Satisfactory completion of student teaching application which includes a passing score on all required Massachusetts Tests for Educator Licensure (MTEL) for the license sought; EDIL 822 Secondary Methods with Field Study II: History; any courses specified by the major department; overall GPA of 2.80 and 2.80 GPA in all courses in the secondary education program.

**EDPS 862B Secondary Professional Practicum B: History/Social Science Grades 5-12 (Two course-credits)**

A second supervised student-teaching practicum in a public school classroom five days per week, appropriate for the license sought, in which students have an opportunity to practice teaching competencies under the supervision of a supervising practitioner and a University supervisor. Students also participate in a seminar to analyze teaching strategies, refine classroom management practices, develop curriculum, and reflect on their teaching practice.

Corequisite: EDPS 862A Secondary Professional Practicum A: History/Social Science Grades 5-12.

Prerequisites: A passing score on all Massachusetts Tests for Educator Licensure (MTEL) required for the license sought; EDUC 862A Secondary Professional Practicum A: History 5-12.

**EDPS 863A Secondary Professional Practicum A: Mathematics Grades 5-8 (Two course-credits)**

A supervised student-teaching practicum in a public school classroom five days per week, appropriate for the license sought, in which students have an opportunity to practice teaching competencies under the supervision of a supervising practitioner and a University supervisor. Students also participate in a seminar to analyze teaching strategies, refine classroom management practices, develop curriculum, and reflect on their teaching practice. Other than the co-requisite, no other course may be taken while enrolled in this course. This course is graded as satisfactory/unsatisfactory.

Corequisite: EDPS 863B Secondary Professional Practicum B: Mathematics Grades 5-8.

Prerequisites: Satisfactory completion of student teaching application which includes a passing score on all required Massachusetts Tests for Educator Licensure (MTEL) for the license sought; EDIL 823 Secondary Methods with Field Study II: Mathematics, any courses specified by the major department, overall GPA of 2.80 and 2.80 GPA in all courses in the secondary education program.

**EDPS 863B Secondary Professional Practicum B: Mathematics Grades 5-8 (Two course-credits)**

A second supervised student-teaching practicum in a public school classroom five days per week, appropriate for the license sought, in which students have an opportunity to practice teaching competencies under the supervision of a supervising practitioner and a University supervisor. Students also participate in a seminar to teaching strategies, refine classroom management practices, develop curriculum, and reflect on their teaching practice.

Corequisite: EDPS 863A Secondary Professional Practicum A: Mathematics Grades 5-8.

Prerequisites: A passing score on all Massachusetts Tests for Educator Licensure (Mathematics); EDPS 863A Secondary Professional Practicum A: Mathematics Grades 5-8.



**EDPS 864A Secondary Professional Practicum A: Mathematics Grades 8-12 (Two course-credits)**

A supervised student-teaching practicum in a public school classroom five days per week, appropriate for the license sought, in which students have an opportunity to practice teaching competencies under the supervision of a supervising practitioner and a University supervisor. Students also participate in a seminar to analyze teaching strategies, refine classroom management practices, develop curriculum, and reflect on their teaching practice. Other than the co-requisite, no other course may be taken while enrolled in this course. This course is graded as satisfactory/unsatisfactory.

Corequisite: EDPS 864B Secondary Professional Practicum B: Mathematics Grades 8-12.

Prerequisites: Satisfactory completion of student teaching application which includes a passing score on all required Massachusetts Tests for Educator Licensure (MTEL) for the license sought; EDIL 823 Secondary Methods with Field Study II: Mathematics, any courses specified by the major department, overall GPA of 2.80 and 2.80 GPA in all courses in the secondary education program.

**EDPS 864B Secondary Professional Practicum B: Mathematics Grades 8-12 (Two course-credits)**

A second supervised student-teaching practicum in a public school classroom five days per week, appropriate for the license sought, in which students have an opportunity to practice teaching competencies under the supervision of a supervising practitioner and a University supervisor. Students also participate in a seminar to analyze teaching strategies, refine classroom management practices, develop curriculum, and reflect on their teaching practice.

Corequisite: EDPS 864A Secondary Professional Practicum A: Mathematics Grades 8-12.

Prerequisites: A passing score on all Massachusetts Tests for Educator Licensure; EDPS 864A Secondary Professional Practicum A: Mathematics Grades 8-12.

**EDPS 868A Student Teaching Practicum & Seminar I: Visual Art Grades Pre-K to 8 (Two course-credits)**

A supervised experience in teaching visual art. After an initial period of intensive seminar at the University, the student participates in the complete program every day in the school of placement under the guidance of a cooperating teacher and a University supervisor. Seminar meetings are scheduled during this period. No other course may be taken while enrolled in this course. This course is graded as satisfactory/unsatisfactory.

Prerequisite: A passing score on the appropriate subject area test of the Massachusetts Test for Educator Licensure (MTEL); any requirements specified by the Art and Music Department, and satisfaction of the requirements specified in "Admission into Teacher Education and Student Teaching Practicum".

**EDPS 868B Student Teaching Practicum & Seminar II: Visual Art Grades Pre-K to 8 (Two course-credits)**

A second supervised experience in teaching visual art Pre-K to 8. After an initial intensive seminar at the University to assess the work of EDUC 412 Student Teaching Practicum and Seminar I: Visual Art Pre-K to Grade 8, the student participates in the complete program every day in the same school of placement as in EDUC 412 under the guidance of a cooperating teacher and a University supervisor. Seminar meetings are scheduled during this period. The course concludes with a period of intensive seminars at the University. No other courses may be taken while enrolled in this course.

Corequisite: EDPS 868A Student Teaching Practicum & Seminar I: Visual Art Grades Pre-K to 8.

Prerequisite: A passing score on the appropriate subject area test of the Massachusetts Test for Educator Licensure (MTEL); EDPS 868A Student Teaching Practicum and Seminar I: Visual Art Pre-K to Grade 8.

**EDPS 869A Student Teaching Practicum & Seminar I: Visual Art Grades 5-12 (Two course-credits)**

A supervised experience in teaching visual art. After an initial period of intensive seminar at the College, the student participates in the complete program every day in the school of placement under the guidance of a cooperating teacher and a University supervisor. Seminar meetings are scheduled during this period. No other course may be taken while enrolled in this course.

Corequisite: EDPS 869B Student Teaching Practicum & Seminar II: Visual Art Grades 5-12.

Prerequisite: A passing score on the appropriate subject area test of the Massachusetts Test for Educator Licensure (MTEL); any requirements specified by the Art and Music Department, and satisfaction of the requirements specified in "Admission into Teacher Education and Student Teaching Practicum".

**EDPS 869B Student Teaching Practicum & Seminar II: Visual Art Grades 5-12 (Two course-credits)**

A second supervised experience in teaching visual art during second half of the A second supervised experience in teaching visual art. After an initial intensive seminar at the University to assess the work of EDUC 423 Student Teaching Practicum and Seminar I: Visual Art Grades 5-12, the student participates in the complete program every day in the same school of placement as in EDUC 423 under the guidance of a cooperating teacher and a University supervisor. Seminar meetings are scheduled during this period. The course concludes with a period of intensive seminars at the University. No other courses may be taken while enrolled in this course.

Corequisite: EDPS 869A Student Teaching Practicum & Seminar I: Visual Art Grades 5-12.

Prerequisite: A passing score on the appropriate subject area test of the Massachusetts Test for Educator Licensure (MTEL); EDUC 869A Student Teaching Practicum and Seminar I: Visual Art Grades 5-12.

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**EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP COURSES****EDLE 927 Advanced Teaching Strategies**

Designed to help educators become more skilled and versatile in their application of teaching strategies, including guided discovery, discussion formats, questioning skills, inquiry training, cooperative groupings, and individualized formats. Students design a comparative study of teaching strategies, including lesson materials and evaluation instruments, to be conducted in a current or future classroom setting, depending on each student's circumstances. The course analyzes research findings, comparative research designs, and the relationship between teaching strategies and learning styles.

**EDLE 938 Technological Applications for School Leaders**

Covers the essentials of technology needed to facilitate school-based leadership. Emphasizes technology skills required for supervision of instruction in technology-enhanced classrooms. Approaches to integrating technology into the development of curriculum and to fostering the professional development of staff in the area of technology are included. Ways to strengthen school-home relationships through distance learning and instruction-driven web sites are also explored. Students enhance their technological skills while creating a context for working with teachers and instructional technology specialists within K-12 learning environments.

**EDLE 947 A Systems Approach to Educational Finance**

An examination of the financial relationship between and among the five major systems of a school - curriculum, infrastructure, supervision, evaluation, and professional development. Students develop an understanding of the theoretical foundations of education, the laws and regulations pertaining to school finance, grant development and management, the interrelationship of education and municipal financing, and the development of a school-based financial plan.

**EDLE 948 Legal Issues and Concerns in Education**

Offers participants the opportunity to learn the interactions between public education and the law stressing the notion of Preventive Law. Topics covered may include: employment of public school employees; curriculum, religion and schools; freedom of expression; discrimination and harassment; special education; discipline; and the implications of current federal and state statutes.

**EDLE 970 Curriculum Design, Practice and Assessment**

Provides students with a curriculum update in the major subjects of schooling with special emphasis on student assessment, teaching strategies, learning styles and interdisciplinary curriculum development. Students create a model for designing, implementing, and evaluating curriculum in a chosen discipline. Curriculum concepts are integrated in ways which are meaningful to various cultural groups and minorities. Factors which determine the success of curriculum change, including a needs assessment, will be considered.

**EDLE 986 Collaborative Leadership & Organizational Change**

Examines school organizations and cultures; forms of school governance; the change process; and the concept of collaboration among administrator, teacher, parent and community leaders as a means of bringing about more effective schools. Proposals for re-conceptualizing schools are reviewed. This course includes a field-based training component.

**EDLE 987 Supervision and Staff Development**

Understanding and supporting the development of teachers is a major emphasis of this course. Students acquire interpersonal and technical skills to assist them in working with people in their roles as supervisors, consultants, and advisors, and in improving the quality of instruction in schools. New developments in the field of supervision, (e.g., mentoring, group clinical supervision, beginning teacher induction programs, study groups); issues related to supervising in schools, (e.g., working with a multicultural and multi-ethnic staff), and recent supervision research are examined. This course includes a field-based training component.

Prerequisite: EDLE 927 Advanced Teaching Strategies.

**ENGLISH COURSES****ENGL 901 Introduction to Graduate Study in English**

A course that outlines major theoretical and disciplinary issues in literary studies and familiarizes students with a range of advanced critical tools and approaches to the analysis of primary texts. Students gain advanced competence in the evaluation and use of secondary sources necessary for graduate research and writing.

Prerequisites: Admission to M.A. program with a concentration in English, or the M.Ed. program with a concentration in Secondary Education and specialization in English, or permission of the instructor.

**ENGL 908 Composition Theory and Pedagogy**

A survey of major historical and contemporary theories in composition scholarship, including cognitivism, expressivism, social constructivism, and post-process theory, as well as their pedagogical implications. Students examine significant research in the field and explore connections to classroom practice.

**ENGL 920 Contemporary African-American Fiction**

A study of African-American fiction since 1950, covering topics such as the neo-slave narrative and other engagements with history, the “second renaissance” of black women writers, and postmodernism. Authors may include James Baldwin, Ralph Ellison, Charles Johnson, Toni Morrison, Gloria Naylor, Alice Walker, and Colson Whitehead.

**ENGL 924 Contemporary African Literature**

A study of twentieth- and twenty-first-century African literature from colonialism to postcolonialism and globalization across a selection of African countries. Authors may include Chinua Achebe, Ngugi Wa Thiong’o, Chimamanda Adichie, J. M. Coetzee, Yvonne Vera, Wole Soyinka, and Bessie Head.

**ENGL 929 Salman Rushdie and the Postcolonial Novel**

A study of Salman Rushdie’s influence on other novelists in the context of postcolonial studies and genre theory. Topics may include trauma theory, magical realism, political allegory, hybrid identity, and cosmopolitanism in works by Rushdie, Arundhati Roy, Zadie Smith, Amitav Ghosh, and others.

**ENGL 930 Workshop in Children’s Literature**

An advanced workshop that explores the relationship between children’s literature and the curriculum of grades Pre-K through 12. Students study various genres in children’s and young adult literature, submitting lesson plans and related activities to the class for critique. Special attention is paid to children’s book authors and illustrators recommended by the Massachusetts English Language Arts Curriculum Framework. NOTE: *This course is designed for teachers interested in enhancing their classes. Those interested in the literary analysis of Children’s Literature are advised to enroll in ENGL 875 History of Children’s Literature, ENGL 870 Current Trends in Children’s Literature, ENGL 942 Children’s Literature: Critical Approaches, and ENGL 946 Young Adult Literature: Critical Approaches.* Students who have taken ENGL 887 Workshop in Children’s Literature may not receive credit for this course.

**ENGL 936 Transatlantic Modernism**

A study of major British, Irish, and American texts written between 1890 and 1945. Special attention is paid to Modernism’s experimental revisions of literary form and national identity. Authors may include W. B. Yeats, William Faulkner, Virginia Woolf, James Joyce, Samuel Beckett, and Langston Hughes.

**ENGL 939 T.S. Eliot and Marianne Moore**

A study of the modern American poets T. S. Eliot and Marianne Moore. The course examines these poets within their specific biographical and cultural contexts, focusing on their poetry as well as their roles as critics, editors and publishers.

**ENGL 942 Children’s Literature: Critical Approaches**

A critical approach to traditional and contemporary literature for children from Pre-K through grade 6 including poetry, folklore, fantasy, realistic and problem stories, biography and selected informational books. Students build on previous coursework in children’s literature to apply evaluative criteria to the titles under consideration. In this advanced literature course, students read primary sources, critical essays, developing literary theories, and current topics in children’s literature and complete an extensive, analytical, researched essay. This is an intensive course in literary analysis. Students beginning graduate study in Children’s Literature are advised to enroll in ENGL 870 Current Trends in Children’s Literature and/or ENGL 875 History of Children’s Literature; students interested in studying Children’s Literature for curriculum enhancement are advised to enroll in ENGL 930 Workshop in Children’s Literature. Note: Students who have taken ENGL 866 Literature for Children may not receive credit for this course.

Prerequisite: One (1) graduate literature course, or permission of the instructor.

**ENGL 946 Young Adult Literature: Critical Approaches**

An advanced course that studies literature for children from grades 6 through 12. Students build on previous coursework in children's literature through the examination of classic and contemporary primary texts, literary criticism and recent theoretical developments. Textual analysis and evaluative criteria are applied in an extensive research essay. This is an intensive course in literary analysis. Students beginning graduate study in Children's Literature are advised to enroll in ENGL 870 Current Trends in Children's Literature and/or ENGL 875 History of Children's Literature; students interested in studying Children's Literature for curriculum enhancement are advised to enroll in ENGL 930 Workshop in Children's Literature. Note: Students who have taken ENGL 869 Literature for Young Adults may not receive credit for this course.

Prerequisite: One (1) graduate literature course, or permission of the instructor.

**ENGL 962 Harlem Renaissance Poetry**

A study of Harlem Renaissance poetry, covering topics such as the Great Migration, jazz and blues influences, print distribution networks, the legacies of slavery, and the modern African diaspora. Authors may include Jessie Fauset, Langston Hughes, Georgia Douglas Johnson, Claude McKay, and Jean Toomer.

**ENGL 977 Transnational Literature**

A study of contemporary literature that crosses the borders of the nation-state, covering topics such as home, identity, diaspora, mobility, and globalization. Authors may include NoViolet Bulawayo, Ruth Ozeki, Rawi Hage, Edwidge Danticat, Jhumpa Lahiri, Kamila Shamsie, and other contemporary authors. Works are read in English.

**ENGL 985 Master's Thesis in English**

A one-semester independent study, normally taken in the final semester, in which students write and defend a scholarly capstone thesis of fifty pages or more, under the close supervision of a faculty thesis advisor. The thesis should represent an original contribution to a larger critical conversation. At the end of this course, students are required to pass an oral defense of their master's thesis for a panel of three (3) faculty members which includes the thesis faculty advisor, the Chair of the English Department, and one other member of the faculty chosen either by the master's candidate or by the English Graduate Program Coordinator.

Prerequisites: ENGL 901 Introduction to Graduate Study in English, five (5) graduate program electives, and approval of the English Graduate Program Coordinator.

**ENGL 990 Independent Study in English**

An independent study supervised by a graduate faculty member of the English Department. The independent study cannot substitute for Seminar in Literature. Independent Studies in different topics may be taken with the approval of the student's advisor.

Prerequisite: Permission of the course instructor, English Graduate Program Advisor.

**DUAL-LEVEL ELECTIVES**

*(Offered in conjunction with the corresponding undergraduate course)*

**DGHM 810 Inventing Digital Humanities**

An intermediate project-based course. Students analyze intersections between digital humanities theories, praxis, and ethics. Students apply diverse rhetorical approaches to current technologies as they practice working with tools that may include metadata, xml (extensible markup language), text analysis, network visualization, mapping, and timeline platforms, as well as emerging tools. Students' final projects are designed for potential online publication.

**ENGL 800 Studies in Genre**

An advanced exploration of a single literary genre, such as the novel, non-fiction prose, poetry, or drama. A broad range of literary texts along with contextual documents and works of literary theory are examined. Note: Students cannot receive credit for this course if ENGL 390 Studies in Genre has already been completed as an undergraduate student.

Prerequisite: One graduate literature course or permission of the instructor.

**ENGL 804 English Renaissance Literature**

The study of sixteenth and seventeenth-century authors who created a new national literature out of classical, continental, and native traditions. Through varying topics and study of such authors as Greene, Spenser, Sidney, Lanyer, Jonson, Wroth, Bacon, Donne, and Milton, students explore literary and cultural contexts for a rich array of genres, including lyric, romance, pastoral, essay, and allegory.

Prerequisite: Admission to the M.Ed. program concentration in Secondary Education with a specialization in English Secondary Education, or M.A. program with a concentration in English, PBTL program, or B.A./M.A. 4+1 program in English, or permission of the instructor.

**ENGL 809 The Nineteenth-Century European Novel**

A study of the nineteenth-century European novel which includes works from a variety of authors throughout the century such as Dostoyevsky, Flaubert, Goethe, Hugo, Sand, Stendhal, Tolstoy, and Zola.

Prerequisite: Admission to the M.Ed. program concentration in Secondary Education with a specialization in English Secondary Education, or M.A. program with a concentration in English, PBTL program, or B.A./M.A. 4+1 program in English, or permission of the instructor.

**ENGL 811 Writing about Science**

An advanced course focused on writing about science for experts and lay audiences. Students study the purposes, audiences, and conventions of published scientific research and articles about science in popular publications and apply that understanding in their own writing. Projects may include reports, nonfiction essays, and scientific journalism. Particular attention is paid to collaboration and ethics, as well as the work of science writing professionals. Completion of or concurrent enrollment in a lab science is recommended.

**ENGL 813 Medieval and Renaissance Drama**

A study of English drama from its festive, religious and classical roots to the popular entertainments of the pre-modern era. Readings include medieval mysteries and moralities, Renaissance pastoral plays, and Elizabethan-Jacobean tragedies and comedies, with attention to such dramatists as Marlowe, Jonson, Cary, Middleton, Webster, Beaumont and Fletcher. Note: Students cannot receive credit for this course if ENGL 313 Medieval and Renaissance Drama has already been completed as an undergraduate student.

Prerequisite: One graduate literature course or permission of the instructor.

**ENGL 814 British Romanticism**

A critical and historical study of Romanticism in English literature. Concentration is on the major poets: Wordsworth, Coleridge, Byron, Shelley, and Keats. Note: Students cannot receive credit for this course if ENGL 318 British Romanticism has already been completed as an undergraduate student.

Prerequisite: One graduate literature course or permission of the instructor.

**ENGL 817 Rise and Establishment of the English Novel**

A study of the beginnings, development, and tradition of the novel in England through an examination of contributing prose forms of the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries and the major authors of eighteenth-century fiction such as Fielding, Smollett, and Austen. Note: Students cannot receive credit for this course if ENGL 321 Rise and Establishment of the English Novel has already been completed as an undergraduate student.

Prerequisite: One graduate literature course or permission of the instructor.

**ENGL 818 The Nineteenth Century British Novel**

A study of the nineteenth century British novel, including works from a variety of authors through the century, such as the Brontes, Dickens, George Eliot, Gissing, and Hardy. Note: Students cannot receive credit for this course if ENGL 322 The Nineteenth Century British Novel has already been completed as an undergraduate student.

Prerequisite: One graduate literature course or permission of the instructor.

**ENGL 822 Studies in British Literature through 1680**

An exploration of a special topic in British literature through 1680. Topics change each time the course is offered and may include such subjects as The Idea of the Garden in Chaucer, Spenser, and Milton; Elizabethan and Jacobean Revenge Tragedy; Life Writing in Early Modern England; The Literature of Travel and Exploration; and Reading Milton's Paradise Lost. Note: Students cannot receive credit for this course if ENGL 375 Studies in British Literature through 1680 has already been completed as an undergraduate student.

Prerequisite: One graduate literature course or permission of the instructor.

**ENGL 826 The Novel and the World**

A study of twentieth and twenty-first century novels from outside the United States and Europe. The course explores responses to the European and the American novel as well as innovations that emerge from local traditions. Readings may draw from Africa, the Indian subcontinent, South America, Asia, the Middle East, Australia, and the Caribbean and novelists may include Chinua Achebe, Arundhati Roy, Gabriel Garcia Marquez, Mo Yan, Naguib Mahfouz, Keri Hulme, and Patrick Chamoiseau. Some novels may be read in translation. Note: Students cannot receive credit for this course if ENGL 326 The Novel and the World has already been completed as an undergraduate student.

Prerequisites: One graduate literature course or permission of instructor.

**ENGL 829 The Victorian Period**

A study of British poetry and prose (exclusive of the novel) from the 1830's to the end of the nineteenth century with emphasis on forces and influences that have helped to shape the present. Historical and social backgrounds of the literature; major philosophical ideas and conflicts; aesthetic developments; and relationships with American and continental Europe are covered. Note: Students cannot receive credit for this course if ENGL 330 The Victorian Period has already been completed as an undergraduate student.

Prerequisite: One graduate literature course or permission of the instructor.

**ENGL 832 Whitman, Dickinson and Frost**

An in-depth study of the lifetime poetic achievements of Walt Whitman, Emily Dickinson, and Robert Frost, three central figures in American poetry. The course emphasizes close reading, explication, and recitation of poems, as well as research and writing about the poets, their themes and styles, and relevant cultural history. Note: Students cannot receive credit for this course if ENGL 353 Whitman, Dickinson, and Frost has already been completed as an undergraduate student.

Prerequisite: One graduate literature course or permission of the instructor.

**ENGL 837 Studies in Shakespeare**

An exploration of a special topic in Shakespearean drama, focusing on a theme, a genre, or a particular literary, social or political context in selected plays. Shakespeare is studied as a poet, playwright, and thinker. Topics, which change every year, include Shakespeare on Film, Shakespearean Families, Gender and Genre in Shakespeare, Shakespeare's Dramatic Imagery, and Shakespeare's Tragic Heroes. Note: Students cannot receive credit for this course if ENGL 317 Studies in Shakespeare has already been completed as an undergraduate student.

Prerequisite: One graduate literature course or permission of instructor.

**ENGL 838 Modern and Contemporary British and Irish Poetry**

A study of poets writing in Britain and Ireland since 1890. The course examines approaches to literary tradition and poetic form in the context of the upheavals of the twentieth- and twenty-first centuries. Authors may include Gerard Manley Hopkins, W.B. Yeats, W.H. Auden, Stevie Smith, Dylan Thomas, Seamus Heaney, Alice Oswald, and Eavan Boland.

Prerequisite: Admission to the M.Ed. program concentration in Secondary Education with a specialization in English Secondary Education, or M.A. program with a concentration in English, PBTL program, or B.A./M.A. 4+1 program in English, or permission of the instructor.

**ENGL 841 Contemporary Irish Literature**

An advanced study of major Irish and Northern Irish writers in the context of historical and cultural developments from the post-war era to today. Close reading and discussion of representative works in various genres by such writers as Patrick Kavanagh, John Hewitt, Brian Friel, Seamus Heaney, Michael Longley, Roddy Doyle, Anne Enright, and Claire Keegan. Note: Students cannot receive credit for this course if ENGL 381 Contemporary Irish Literature has already been completed as an undergraduate student.

Prerequisite: One graduate literature course or permission of instructor.

**ENGL 842 Studies in British Literature after 1680**

An exploration of a special topic in British literature after 1680. Topics change each time the course is offered and may include subjects such as the British novel, British poetry from the Romantics to the present, British modernism, and diasporic London. Note: Students cannot receive credit for this course if ENGL 386 Studies in British Literature after 1680 has already been completed as an undergraduate student.

Prerequisite: One graduate literature course or permission of instructor.

**ENGL 843 Russian Literature in Translation**

A study of novels, short stories, plays, and poetry by Russian writers of the nineteenth and twentieth centuries, including Gogol, Turgenev, Dostoevsky, Tolstoy, Chekhov, Mayakovsky, Olesha, Babel, Pasternak, Solzhenitsyn, and Yevtushenko. The works are studied for the purpose of tracing the continuing concerns of the Russian writers before and after the Revolution. All readings are in English translation. Note: Students cannot receive credit for this course if ENGL 362 Russian Literature in Translation has already been completed as an undergraduate student.

Prerequisite: One graduate literature course or permission of instructor.

**ENGL 846 Modern Drama**

An examination of methods and types of modern continental, British and American drama. Critical reading and discussion of plays by such writers as Ibsen, Chekhov, Pirandello, Anouilh, Ionesco, Shaw, Miller, Williams, and Albee. Note: Students cannot receive credit for this course if ENGL 342 Modern Drama has already been completed as an undergraduate student.

Prerequisite: One graduate literature course or permission of instructor.

**ENGL 847 Studies in American Literature**

An exploration of a special topic in American Literature. Topics change each time the course is offered; sample topics include such subjects as American Sea Literature, the Nineteenth-Century Domestic Novel, the American Dream and its Discontents, and Labor and American Literature. Note: Students cannot receive credit for this course if ENGL 370 Studies in American Literature has already been completed as an undergraduate student.

Prerequisite: One graduate literature course or permission of instructor.

**ENGL 849 Modern American Poetry**

A study of modern American poets, such as T.S. Eliot, Robert Frost, Langston Hughes, Marianne Moore, Ezra Pound, and William Carlos Williams. Attention is given to theories about the form of modern poetry and its function within historical and cultural contexts.

Prerequisite: Admission to the M.Ed. program concentration in Secondary Education with a specialization in English Secondary Education, or M.A. program with a concentration in English, PBTL program, or B.A./M.A. 4+1 program in English, or permission of the instructor.

**ENGL 852 The Twentieth-Century Novel**

A study of major writers, ideas, and forms of the twentieth-century novel in Europe and America, with emphasis on the first half of the century. Close reading and discussion of representative works by such writers as Joyce, Hesse, Faulkner, Camus, and Bellow. Note: Students cannot receive credit for this course if ENGL 376 The Twentieth Century Novel has already been completed as an undergraduate student.

Prerequisite: One graduate literature course or permission of instructor.

**ENGL 853 Contemporary African American Poetry**

A study of contemporary African American poetry. Students consider such poetic subgenres as the historical poem, persona poem, and spoken word poem from such key groups as the Black Arts Movement and Cave Canem. Poets may include Amiri Baraka, Sonia Sanchez, Natasha Trethewey, Kevin Young, Claudia Rankine, and Tyehimba Jess.

Prerequisite: Admission to the M.Ed. program concentration in Secondary Education with a specialization in English Secondary Education, or M.A. program with a concentration in English, PBTL program, or B.A./M.A. 4+1 program in English, or permission of the instructor.

**ENGL 854 British Fiction since 1945**

A study of British fiction since the end of World War II. Major topics may include postwar recovery; the end of the Empire; shifting definitions of literary tradition; regional British fiction; changing understandings of what it means to be English; London as the site of transnational encounters; postmodern experimentation and literary form; and approaches to realism in contemporary British fiction.

Prerequisite: Admission to the M.Ed. program concentration in Secondary Education with a specialization in English Secondary Education, or M.A. program with a concentration in English, PBTL program, or B.A./M.A. 4+1 program in English, or permission of the instructor.

**ENGL 860 Critical Writing**

An advanced writing course designed to foster theoretically informed textual analysis. The course includes extensive study of literary theory, research, and writing about a variety of works. Note: Students cannot receive credit for this course if ENGL 333 Critical Writing Novel has already been completed as an undergraduate student.

Prerequisite: One graduate literature course or permission of instructor.

**ENGL 862 American Romanticism**

A critical study of essays, novels, short stories, and poetry by some of the major American writers of the first half of the nineteenth century. Through a consideration of writers such as Emerson, Thoreau, Hawthorne, and Poe, students explore the aesthetic developments and philosophical ideas expressed through the genre of Romanticism and its related movement, Transcendentalism. The cultural and historical background of the genre is also discussed. Note: Students cannot receive credit for this course if ENGL 365 American Romanticism has already been completed as an undergraduate student.

Prerequisite: One graduate literature course or permission of instructor.

**ENGL 864 Postcolonial Literature**

A study of postcolonial literature by authors with cultural roots in South Asia, Africa, the Caribbean, and other former colonies that achieved independence in the second half of the twentieth century. Readings may include Commonwealth literature from Australia, New Zealand, and Canada; translated texts; and postcolonial criticism. Note: Students cannot receive credit for this course if ENGL 361 Postcolonial Literature has already been completed as an undergraduate student.

Prerequisite: One graduate literature course or permission of instructor.

**ENGL 870 Current Trends in Children's Literature**

A theoretically informed study of current books for children and young adults, with particular emphasis on literary developments, publishing and marketing trends, and recent academic debates. Students consider the social, technological, and professional contexts in which children's books are created, evaluated and marketed. Students enrolled in this course are expected to produce an extensive essay of literary analysis as well as additional assignments as determined by the instructor. Note: Students cannot receive credit for this course if ENGL 399 Current Trends in Children's Literature has already been completed as an undergraduate student.

Prerequisite: One graduate literature course or permission of instructor.

**ENGL 873 Chaucer**

A study of The Canterbury Tales, Troilus and Criseyde, and other shorter poems in relation to Chaucer's world and time, his development as an artist, and the lasting value of the works. After an introduction to Chaucer's language, students read his works in Middle English. Note: Students cannot receive credit for this course if ENGL 407 Chaucer has already been completed as an undergraduate student.

Prerequisite: One graduate literature course or permission of instructor.

**ENGL 874 American Realism and Naturalism**

A critical study of works from the major American writers of the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries, including such writers as Crane, Dreiser, James, Jewett, Twain, and Wharton. Emphasis is on the development of realism and naturalism, and on the historical, political, and cultural contexts of these literary movements. Note: Students cannot receive credit for this course if ENGL 368 American Realism and Naturalism has already been completed as an undergraduate student.

Prerequisite: One graduate literature course or permission of instructor.

**ENGL 875 History of Children's Literature**

A survey of children's literature from the eighteenth century to the present. Topics may include early chapbooks, picture books, and the development of the novel for children. Students examine changing representations of the child and the role literature has played in defining childhood. Students produce an extensive essay of literary analysis as well as additional assignments as determined by the instructor. Note: Students cannot receive credit for this course if ENGL 217 History of Children's Literature has already been completed as an undergraduate student.

Prerequisites: One graduate literature course or permission of the instructor.

**ENGL 876 Modern American Fiction**

An advanced study of major modern American writers such as Fitzgerald, Hemingway, Cather, West, Faulkner, Hurston, and Wright in the context of the historical and cultural developments of the first half of the twentieth century. Note: Students cannot receive credit for this course if ENGL 373 Modern American Fiction has already been completed as an undergraduate student.

Prerequisites: One graduate literature course or permission of the instructor.

**ENGL 879 Studies in World Literature through 1900**

An examination of a special topic in world literature through 1900. Particular works covered may be drawn from those written in the classical period through the end of the nineteenth century, in English or in translation. Topics change each time the course is offered and may include the classical literature of Greece and Rome, the Bible, and gender roles in the nineteenth-century European novel. Note: Students cannot receive credit for this course if ENGL 378 Studies in World Literature through 1900 has already been completed as an undergraduate student.

Prerequisites: One graduate literature course or permission of the instructor.

**ENGL 883 Contemporary American Fiction**

A study of American fiction since 1945, including writers such as Bellow, DeLillo, Doctorow, Ellison, Morrison, Nabokov, Pynchon, Roth, Tyler, Updike, and Walker. Emphasis is on postmodern narrative experiments and on representations of the self and American experience in the contemporary period. Note: Students cannot receive credit for this course if ENGL 383 Contemporary American Fiction has already been completed as an undergraduate student.

Prerequisites: One graduate literature course or permission of the instructor.

**ENGL 884 Contemporary American Poetry**

A study of contemporary American poetry from the mid-twentieth century to the present day. Students consider the work of poets from such key groups as the Confessionals, New York School, Beats, Black Arts, and slam poets. Students employ close reading in form and genre, explore biographical and historical contexts, and apply critical theory. Note: Students cannot receive credit for this course if ENGL 384 Contemporary American Poetry has already been completed as an undergraduate student.

Prerequisites: One graduate literature course or permission of the instructor.



**ENGL 890 The English Language**

A study of the ancestry of English, of the processes and results of change in sound, form, and meaning. The classification of languages, social and regional dialects, theories of language acquisition, and other topics are examined to give the student a general understanding of modern developments in linguistics. Note: Students cannot receive credit for this course if ENGL 401 The English Language has already been completed as an undergraduate student.

Prerequisites: One graduate literature course or permission of the instructor.

**ENGL 896 Seminar in Literature**

An advanced seminar for graduate students. Seminar instructors choose topics and primary texts connected by period, genre, theme, or author. Drawing on skills gained throughout the major, students develop historical and cultural contexts for the texts; apply a variety of critical theories, approaches, and methodologies; give oral reports; and write a substantial, theoretically informed research essay on a subject related to the seminar's topic. Note: Students cannot receive credit for this course if ENGL 422 Seminar in Literature has already been completed as an undergraduate student.

Prerequisites: One graduate literature course or permission of the instructor.

**ENGL 897 Studies in African American Literature**

An exploration of a special topic in African American literature. Topics change each time the course is offered and may include classic and contemporary slave narratives, literature of the American Civil Rights Movement, African American drama since 1945, and the novels of Toni Morrison.

Prerequisite: Admission to the M.Ed. program concentration in Secondary Education with a specialization in English Secondary Education, or M.A. program with a concentration in English, PBTL program, or B.A./M.A. 4+1 program in English, or permission of the instructor.

**ENGL 898 Studies in World Literature after 1900**

An examination of a special topic in world literature after 1900. Particular works covered may include those from the twentieth and twenty-first centuries, in English or in translation. Topics change each time the course is offered and may include the twentieth-century European novel, Literature and Islam, literature from the Indian subcontinent, and contemporary African literature. Note: Students cannot receive credit for this course if ENGL 398 Studies in World Literature after 1900 has already been completed as an undergraduate student.

Prerequisites: One graduate literature course or permission of the instructor.

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**ENTRPRENEURIAL STUDIES COURSES****ENTR 920 Intrapreneurship and Entrepreneurship**

Designed to emphasize intrapreneurial and entrepreneurial approaches to starting new ventures as a new business or within an existing organization. Students explore entrepreneurship and innovation-related topics, develop viable business venture concepts and examine the details of developing and running a new business venture. Students evaluate innovative ideas, conduct market analysis and feasibility and select the appropriate business structure. Drivers of success and failure, funding sources, and the legal and regulatory environment are discussed.

Prerequisite: Acceptance into M.B.A. program, the P.S.M. concentration in Biotechnology, or permission from program coordinator.

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**FINANCE COURSES****FINA 929 Financial Management**

An introduction to the two fundamental financial concepts - the investment decision and the financing decision, and their possible interactions. This includes the type of assets a firm acquires, the reason(s) for acquisition, and the sources and costs of financing these assets. Assets, liabilities and capital, both short and long-term, are described using accounting terminology and evaluated using mathematical analysis.

Prerequisite: Acceptance into M.B.A. program.

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**FOOD AND NUTRITION COURSES****NUTR 920 Pediatric Nutrition**

An overview of the clinical, medical, and psychosocial aspects of pediatric nutrition care. Includes a comprehensive discussion of nutrition and growth, and medical nutrition therapy for selected disease states.

Prerequisite: NUTR 883 Medical Nutrition Therapy.

**NUTR 903 Advanced Nutrition and Metabolism**

A detailed investigation of macro and micronutrient metabolism during states of normal health and illness. This course expands understanding of the biological roles of nutrients in human metabolism using basic knowledge in physiology, biochemistry and molecular biology. Emphasis is directed towards current molecular and biochemical research findings and hypotheses. Students are expected to be familiar with the material covered in NUTR 874 Human Nutrition Science. Topics include carbohydrate, lipid and protein metabolism; energy homeostasis; 1-carbon metabolism; vitamin and mineral metabolism.

Prerequisites: NUTR 874 Human Nutrition Science or permission of the instructor.

**NUTR 911 Research Methods in Nutrition**

A study of research techniques applicable to nutrition science investigation and nutrition education assessment. Using a hands-on approach, students are acquainted with research hypotheses, study designs and methods, application of basic statistical concepts, and proposal formats. Design of an original research project is required.

Prerequisite: An undergraduate or graduate statistics course in the last five years and NUTR 874 Human Nutrition Science.

**NUTR 920 Pediatric Nutrition**

An overview of the clinical, medical, and psychosocial aspects of pediatric nutrition care. Includes a comprehensive discussion of nutrition and growth, and medical nutrition therapy for selected disease states.

Prerequisite: NUTR 881 Medical Nutrition Therapy II.

**NUTR 922 Communication in Public Health and Nutrition**

An exploration of the basics of writing and other forms of communication to effectively reach target populations with health and nutrition information geared towards behavior change. Target populations include families, children, educators, patients, and community stakeholders. Writing articles for a lay audience, crafting press releases, and composing messages for the electronic media are included as students explore where to find factual information that can be applied quickly and effectively. Tactics for choosing copies, evaluating sources, and best practices for contacting the media are discussed and applied.

**NUTR 924 Obesity and Weight Management**

An overview of current evidence-based practice in managing both overweight and underweight individuals across the lifecycle. Topics include: scientific background on the etiology of overweight and obesity and the role of the food environment; role of the education system supports in addressing issues surrounding weight management; initiatives to promote healthy weight management. Course is appropriate for school nutrition professionals, registered dietitians, nurses and health educators.

**NUTR 931 Practicum in Community Nutrition**

A concentrated combination of advanced academic coursework and supervised practice in various aspects of community health and nutrition. Students are placed in a community setting where they deliver nutrition education at the individual and group level. Students also complete advanced coursework in related topics and utilize their knowledge of normal and medical nutrition therapy, skills in communications, recognition of socio-economic influences, and familiarity with community health agencies, resources, and the legislative process. Education and motivation of individuals and groups and contributions to total health care in a community are explored.

Prerequisites: Acceptance in the Master of Science - Concentration in Food & Nutrition with Specialization in Coordinated Program in Dietetics.

**NUTR 940 Nutrition and Healthy Aging**

A study of the changes in nutrient requirements in the geriatric population and the impact of nutrition on age-related diseases. The causes and consequences of malnutrition in older adults and possible interventions are included. Functionality, management of chronic disease, and quality of life as important outcome measures in the treatment and care of the elderly are considered in the context of the nutrition care process and Centers for Medicare and Medicaid (CMS) regulations.

Prerequisite: NUTR 874 Human Nutrition Science or NUTR 910 Nutrition Science in the Classroom or Bachelor's Degree in Nutrition or Health or permission of the instructor.

**NUTR 948 Motivation and Health Behavior**

An examination of contemporary theories and models of health behavior change, health coaching/consulting, and well-being. Emphasis is placed on the integration of theoretical, empirical, and practical - e.g., health coaching/consulting skills - knowledge to improve the well-being of individuals and communities.

**NUTR 950 Contemporary Issues in the Food System**

A study of the challenges in the United States food system and an exploration of potential solutions. Emphasis is placed on the connections among food production, consumption, health, and the environment. Investigation focuses on individual-, community-, and policy-level solutions to achieve a more sustainable food system. Topics may include: food waste; effects of climate change on food availability; health and environmental impacts of current consumption patterns; agricultural production, transportation, and retailing; social injustice in the food system; strategies for shifting diet patterns; and solutions for a more resilient and sustainable future.

**NUTR 951 Practicum in Foodservice Systems**

A concentrated combination of advanced academic coursework and supervised practice in various aspects of foodservice. Students are placed in a foodservice operation where they apply management theory, tools, and human resource skills to develop and utilize various resources to achieve the goals of the organization. Students also complete advanced coursework in related topics, such as menu planning, forecasting, purchasing and receiving, inventory management, recipe modifications, food allergies and special diets, quantity food production, delivery and service, marketing, financial management, productivity, sustainability, and cultural awareness.

Prerequisite: NUTR 882 Management of Food and Nutrition Services or permission of the instructor; Acceptance in the Master of Science - Concentration in Food & Nutrition with Specialization in Coordinated Program in Dietetics.

**NUTR 960 Sports Nutrition**

Review of nutrition principles as they apply to the physical performance of adults and students in grades K-12. Topics include: physiology of optimal fitness and weight maintenance; exercise physiology and improved athletic performance; nutritional needs of growing children; the use of supplements; and other controversial practices. The role of educational and health institutions in promoting positive nutrition and fitness messages is emphasized. Sports nutrition concepts and nutrition assessment are presented in the context of Healthy People 2010 and the Health Curriculum Frameworks. May include on-site physical assessment laboratories.

Prerequisites: NUTR 874 Human Nutrition Science or B.S. in Nutrition, or both NUTR 910 Nutrition Science in the Classroom and NUED 914 Contemporary Nutrition Issues for Schools; and a college-level physiology course.

**NUTR 965 Seminar in Clinical Nutrition**

A study of advanced topics in clinical nutrition, including enteral, parenteral, and critical care nutrition. In addition to advanced medical nutrition therapy coursework, students present a seminar and write a literature review on a current topic in medical nutrition therapy. Current issues in health care as they relate to clinical nutrition management are also included. Note: This course must be taken concurrently with NUTR 981 Practicum in Clinical Dietetics or by permission of the instructor. Corequisite: NUTR 981 Practicum in Clinical Dietetics.

Prerequisites: NUTR 881 Medical Nutrition Therapy II; Acceptance in the Master of Science - Concentration in Food & Nutrition with Specialization in Coordinated Program in Dietetics.

**NUTR 970 Technology in Nutrition Education**

A study of technology designed to enhance the efficiency and accuracy of education in nutrition professions. Investigations include development, application, and evaluation of emerging technologies related to nutrition and education. NOTE: Credit will not be given for this course and NUTR 879 Computer Applications in Nutrition.

Prerequisite: College-level general nutrition course within the past five years.

**NUTR 973 Nutrition Education Programs and Curricula I: Design**

A study of the research related to the instructional design process. Emphasis is on the application of teaching and learning principles as they relate to nutrition education. Investigation focuses on audience needs and the application of appropriate learning theories to motivate and facilitate behavior change. Students develop an instructional design to be refined, implemented and evaluated in NUED 993 Nutrition Education Programs and Curricula II: Implementation and Evaluation.

Prerequisite: Five (5) courses completed in the Masters of Science concentration in Food and Nutrition program or NUTR 970 Technology in Nutrition Education.

**NUTR 978 Public Health Nutrition**

A study of nutrition concepts and the political/social realities that affect the nutritional health of populations. The development of nutrition policies at the local, state, and national levels are explored along with the delivery of community-based services. Topics may include: nutritional science in the lifecycle, sociocultural aspects of nutrition, food and nutrition programs, nutrition assessment of populations, food insecurity, health promotion guidelines, and food safety.

Prerequisites: NUTR 874 Human Nutrition Science or Bachelor's Degree in Nutrition or Health or either NUTR 910 Nutrition Science in the Classroom or NUTR 914 Contemporary Nutrition Issues for Schools.

**NUTR 980 Seminar in Food and Nutrition**

A critical review of the professional literature in food and nutrition and discussion of its application to practice. Students are required to present seminars on current topics.

Prerequisite: Completion of five graduate courses or NUTR 911 Research Methods in Nutrition and two additional graduate courses.

**NUTR 981 Practicum in Clinical Dietetics (2 course-credits)**

A concentrated combination of academic coursework and supervised practice in various aspects of medical nutrition therapy. Students are placed in a cooperative medical facility where they work as a member of the health team to develop skills as an entry-level dietitian. Students also complete advanced coursework in related topics such as nutrition screening/prioritizing patients, quality management, website and app review, instructional plan development, enteral, parenteral, and supplemental nutrition, outcomes assessment and cost/benefits, marketing, DRG coding, clinical privileges, and nutrition care plan development. Note: This course must be taken simultaneously with NUTR 965 Seminar in Clinical Nutrition or by permission of the instructor.

Corequisite: NUTR 965 Seminar in Clinical Nutrition.

Prerequisites: NUTR 883 Medical Nutrition Therapy II; Acceptance in the Master of Science - Concentration in Food & Nutrition with Specialization in Coordinated Program in Dietetics.

**NUTR 990 Independent Study in Food and Nutrition**

An in-depth investigation of a specific topic in food and nutrition. May be combined with experience in a food and nutrition care setting. Topic must be approved by the faculty advisor.

Prerequisites: NUTR 874 Human Nutrition Science, NUTR 883 Medical Nutrition Therapy, and/or NUTR 978 Public Health Nutrition. Permission of Program Coordinator required.

**NUTR 993 Nutrition Education Programs and Curricula II: Implementation and Evaluation**

The completion, implementation, and evaluation of an in-depth instructional design curriculum developed in NUTR 973 Nutrition Education Programs and Curricula I: Design. Projects integrate instructional methods based in educational theory, and match specific teaching strategies and assessment methods to nutrition and health learning needs.

Prerequisite: NUTR 973 Nutrition Education Programs and Curricula I: Design.

**DUAL-LEVEL ELECTIVES**

*(Offered in conjunction with the corresponding undergraduate course)*

**NUTR 874 Human Nutrition Science**

A study of the interrelationships and respective functions of nutrients, and the integration of nutrition, biochemistry, and human physiology. Emphasis is placed on research design in classic and current nutrition studies with respect to nutrition and health.

Prerequisites: Biochemistry, Principles of Human Physiology and Biostatistics.

**NUTR 881 Medical Nutrition Therapy II**

An integration of pathophysiology, biochemistry, and nutrition concepts that form the basis for medical nutrition therapy in health care. The nutrition care process and standardized language is applied to the development of nutrition care plans for case studies representing a variety of diseases and medical conditions. Note: Students cannot receive credit for both this course and NUTR 883 Medical Nutrition Therapy II.

**NUTR 881L Medical Nutrition Therapy II Clinical Practice (non-credit)**

A laboratory (3 hours) experience to integrate nutrition and medical nutrition therapy principles along with developing interviewing skills. Students identify goals and objectives of nutrition care and counsel clients in selected modified diets in role-played situations. Students also complete a minimum of 20 hours under the supervision of a registered dietitian in a clinical facility where they apply the facility's dietary policies to create nutrition care plans for selected disease states corresponding to topics presented in NUTR 881 Medical Nutrition Therapy II. NOTE: This course is required for those students in the Coordinated Program in Dietetics concentration.

Corequisite: Concurrent enrollment with NUTR 881 Medical Nutrition Therapy II. Open to Coordinated Program in Dietetics concentration students only.

**NUTR 882 Management of Food and Nutrition Services**

The application of principles of management as they relate to the administration of human, physical and financial resources of food and nutrition services. Topics include management theory, personnel selection, training, evaluation, organizational behavior, communication, governmental influences, labor management relations, marketing and budgeting. This course, designed for Food and Nutrition majors, utilizes the case study approach, and requires the development of a business plan. **NOTE:** Credit will not be given for both NUTR 882 Management of Food and Nutrition Services and MGMT 272 Management Principles.

**NUTR 884 Foodservice Systems**

A study of current trends and practices in the management of foodservice systems. Course topics include food safety, menu planning, procurement, quantity food production, delivery systems, and financial management. Students satisfy the requirements for the National Restaurant Association's nationally accredited food safety training program and take the ServSafe® Food Protection Manager Certification Examination.

Prerequisite: Experimental Study of Food.

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**FOOD SCIENCE COURSES****FDSC 911 Research and Seminar in Food Science/Nutritional Biochemistry**

Formulation of a research project, followed by execution of an experimental design, that culminates in a written research report of the results and an oral presentation.

Prerequisite: Permission of the instructor.

**FDSC 921 Laboratory Practicum**

A supervised laboratory investigation that gives students the opportunity to explore relevant topics in the food sciences.

Prerequisite: Permission of the instructor.

**FDSC 960 Thesis in Food Science/Nutritional Biochemistry**

An exploration of a current research problem dealing with food or nutrition science, technology, engineering, or biochemistry with experimental results presented as a written document according to Departmental guidelines.

Prerequisite: Permission of the instructor.

**FDSC 990 Independent Study in Food Science/Nutrition Science**

Investigation of a substantial original research topic dealing with food science or nutrition science.

This experience concludes with a detailed research report as directed by the graduate advisor.

Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

***DUAL-LEVEL ELECTIVES***

*(Offered in conjunction with the corresponding undergraduate course)*

**FDSC 805 Food Analysis**

A study of the fundamental principles of chemical food analysis with the laboratory work including both classical and recent sophisticated methods of analysis.

Prerequisites: Organic Chemistry I and either Biochemistry or Biochemistry I-Structures, Mechanisms and Analysis.

**FDSC 808 Food Chemistry**

The chemistry of food constituents and the chemical and biological changes occurring in foods during storing and processing. The approach is from a cellular and molecular level.

Prerequisites: Organic Chemistry I and either Biochemistry or Biochemistry I-Structures, Mechanisms and Analysis.

**FDSC 813 Food Safety and Microbiology**

A focus on the microorganisms involved in food production, food spoilage, and the transmission of diseases through foods. The effect of various methods of food preservation is evaluated in terms of public health, food spoilage, food quality and nutritional value of foods. **Laboratory (4 hours).**

Prerequisite: An undergraduate course in Microbiology or Permission of the instructor.

**FDSC 815 Food Engineering and Processing**

An integrated approach to food engineering principles and food processing techniques. Topics include thermodynamics, fluid flow and heat transfer, evaporation, refrigeration, psychrometry, drying, distillation and essential food processing methods that ensure attainment of food product wholesomeness. **Laboratory (4 hours).**

Prerequisite: Permission of the instructor.

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## HEALTHCARE ADMINISTRATION COURSES

### **HCAD 901 Healthcare Policy**

A macro-level view of healthcare delivery systems and reform alternatives at the state, federal, and international levels. Students evaluate and compare methods available to policymakers to improve the quality, access, and cost of healthcare services provided to various populations. Students develop recommendations for healthcare reform and support their views.

### **HCAD 909 Healthcare Delivery System, Policy and Reform**

An overview of American healthcare services since their inception to the present. Emphasis is on public and private hospitals, clinics and HMOs; healthcare insurance, Medicare and Medicaid; and healthcare policy, legislation and reform.

### **HCAD 914 Healthcare Economics and Finance**

An overview of healthcare markets and the roles that individuals, healthcare providers, insurers, government agencies, and public and private organizations play in impacting costs. The course focuses on improved efficiency, effectiveness, and value for these major stakeholder groups.

### **HCAD 916 Healthcare Law & Ethics**

Designed for healthcare administrators to address contemporary ethical and legal issues. Taught in a case-study format, students learn the constructs of the primary ethical and legal guidelines of the healthcare system. Students apply and defend their positions relative to the most important issues impacting healthcare administrators as they manage staff, organizations, and systems.

### **HCAD 917 Health Law, Regulations, and Ethics**

An examination of the laws, administrative regulations, and ethical issues of healthcare services. Topics include laws regarding patient access, fraud, public and private funding; liability and risk management; licensing and accreditation; legal issues concerning patient safety and rights, HIPAA, and medical error; and ethical issues related to healthcare services.

### **HCAD 920 Strategic Planning of Healthcare Services**

An overview covering the development and implementation of strategic plans for healthcare facilities. Topics include: models for healthcare services and support systems; organizational and service planning; fiscal planning, capital improvements and investments; and assessment of organizational strengths and weaknesses.

### **HCAD 921 Budgeting and Accounting in Healthcare Organizations**

An exploration of tools designed to improve a healthcare organization's solvency. Tools examined address capital acquisition, investment management, and budget and planning, useful to those in non-profit and for-profit sectors and within private and public sectors.

### **HCAD 930 Managing Operations**

A focus upon improving operations systems and service delivery within healthcare, public, and non-profit organizations. Topics include service design and development, quality control and assurance systems, technology utilization and application, equipment maintenance, accountability and monitoring issues, and enhancing service delivery in a cost-effective manner.

### **HCAD 936 Healthcare Strategic Planning and Marketing**

An examination of the assessment of organizational strengths and weaknesses (fiscal, capital, and operational). Students develop both a strategic plan and a marketing plan for healthcare products/services based on planning models and marketing strategies.

### **HCAD 940 Healthcare Informatics and Technology**

An introduction to the role of healthcare information and technology in today's health care industry. Topics include the management and financing of electronic health records; aligning health care information technology with healthcare reform; the healthcare claim cycle; the changing patient landscape, rise of retail clinics, and interfacing technology systems; the role of healthcare information technology in documenting and protecting providers.

### **HCAD 946 Long Term Care Administration**

A study of the long term care industry, including skilled nursing facilities, assisted living facilities, subacute care, adult daycare, home healthcare, and hospice. Students examine the main characteristics of the long term care continuum, including the structure and operation of long term care programs and how providers interact with payers, regulators, and consumers. Students also explore the managerial skills and regulatory requirements required essential in this field.

### **HCAD 956 Continuous Quality Improvement of Healthcare Services**

An overview of Continuous Quality Improvement (CQI) principles currently employed in the healthcare industry. Students examine efforts to reduce risk, improve efficacy, eliminate waste, and increase safety in various healthcare settings.

**HCAD 961 Health Insurance and Managed Care**

Designed for the student to learn the plan designs, payment structures, and reimbursement mechanisms of health insurance in the United States. Students compare and contrast the public and private health insurance systems, as well as the prospective and retrospective design methodologies. Students evaluate the importance of healthcare information in making decisions related to health insurance cost, quality, and access.

**HCAD 972 International Healthcare Systems**

An examination of the four broad types of healthcare delivery models in the world. In particular, the course focuses on examples of many specific industrialized nations. Comparisons are drawn around the provision of universal healthcare services, financing mechanisms, and qualitative measures. Students identify lessons from the more successful models and suggest ways in which these lessons may be transferable to nations which need delivery system improvements.

**HCAD 976 Public Health**

Designed to prepare healthcare administrators for local, national, and global contemporary public health issues. The impacts of health promotion and disease prevention on populations are addressed through learning and applying many public health disciplines such as epidemiology, biostatistics, and environmental health.

**HCAD 984 Seminar in Healthcare Administration**

Students analyze current and evolving issues in healthcare service delivery and administration. Students create and present an original project in healthcare.

Prerequisites: Satisfactory completion of all other degree requirements and permission of the Program Coordinator.

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**HISTORY COURSES****DUAL-LEVEL ELECTIVES**

*(Offered in conjunction with the corresponding undergraduate course)*

**HSTY 801 Ancient Greece: From the Homeric through the Hellenistic Age**

An examination of the history of ancient Greece. Topics include the society and thought of the Homeric period; the rise of the polis and the thought of the Archaic age; the Persian wars, the Athenian empire, Periclean Athens, the Peloponnesian wars, and the thought of the fifth century; the empire of Alexander the Great and the thought of the Hellenistic age.

**HSTY 804 The American Revolution**

A social, political, military, and diplomatic history of the emerging United States from 1763 to 1787. The course focuses on the causes and consequences of the War of Independence. The revolutionary nature of the period is considered within the context of the larger Atlantic world.

**HSTY 805 Ancient Rome: The Republic and the Empire**

An examination of the history of ancient Rome from the founding of the Republic to the collapse of the Empire. Topics include the evolution and decline of the Republic, its concept and institutions of government; the reign of Julius Caesar and the rise of Caesarism; the rise of Augustus and the formation of the Empire; relations of the Empire to the Christian church; the decline of the Empire; and the reigns of the emperors Diocletian, Constantine, and Theodosius. The contributions of Rome in the fields of political, constitutional, and legal thought and institutions are stressed.

**HSTY 808 American Civil War Era**

An intensive analysis of the social, political and economic factors in Antebellum America that led to the Civil War, and the problems of reconstructing the nation after the war.

**HSTY 829 The Viking Age**

An examination of the political, cultural, and social history of the Scandinavian peoples of Europe circa 750 – 1100 C.E. Topics include the political impact of the Viking raids on the polities of Western and Eastern Europe, the conversion of the Scandinavians to Christianity, and the Viking settlement of Iceland, Greenland, and North America.

**HSTY 841 Total, Limited, and Cold: America at War in the 20th Century**

An examination of how wars have shaped the United States' politics, society, and economic policies during the twentieth century. From the Filipino-American War to the Persian Gulf War, Americans have been fighting much of the century. The concept of warfare has shifted to fit the country's changing role in world affairs, from an isolationist nation in the late nineteenth century to a Superpower after World War II.

**HSTY 865 Holocaust and Genocide in the 20th Century**

An examination of the systematic persecution and genocide of ethnic minorities throughout the 20th century. The primary focus is on the Nazi-led Holocaust of European Jews, Roma, and other minority groups between 1933 and 1945. Comparisons are made to other genocides, such as those involving the Armenians, Bosnians, and Rwandans. Special attention is given to the themes of active and passive resistance and collaboration, as well as memory and memorialization.

**HSTY 869 History of the Crusades**

An examination of the Crusades, an experiment in religious warfare that stretched from the eleventh century to the Protestant Reformation. Topics include the development of theories of Holy War in Christianity and Islam, the motivations of those who fought on both sides of this lengthy conflict, and the long-term implications of the Crusades for relations between the adherents of Judaism, Christianity, and Islam. The course emphasizes the place of the Crusades with the wider context of European and Near Eastern History.

**HSTY 878 History of the United Kingdom from 1800**

A study of the social, economic, cultural, and political history of the United Kingdom from the nineteenth century to the present. Topics examined may include the Industrial Revolution, Irish Home Rule, the role of race in British imperialism and de-colonization, as well as the two world wars, the welfare state, Thatcherism, and Brexit.

**HSTY 880 History of Modern Germany**

A study of Germany from the nineteenth century to the present. Areas of focus may include the rise of Prussia, the impact of the Napoleonic Wars, the Revolutions of 1848, Bismarck and the formation of Germany, the first world war, the Weimar Republic, the rise of Hitler, the second world war and the Holocaust, West and East Germany during the Cold War, the fall of the Berlin Wall, reunification, and Germany's role in the European Union and the world.

**HSTY 890 Seminar in History**

An engagement in advanced study and original historical research under the direction of a member of the faculty. In addition to their individual research projects, the students may be expected to produce and to discuss such assignments as book reviews and bibliographic essays. Topics vary with the instructor.

**HSTY 894 The History of Late Antiquity**

An examination of the political, social, cultural, and intellectual history of the Mediterranean World between circa 300 Common Era (CE) and 800 CE, a period that witnessed what scholars call 'the transformation of the Roman World.' Particular attention is paid to historiography and to the varieties of source material utilized in the study of this period.

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**INSTRUCTIONAL TECHNOLOGY COURSES****INST 941 Internet for 21st Century Teaching and Learning**

An exploration of how the Internet is shaping instructional modalities and curriculum design. The course focuses on digital research practices, information literacy, and equity to support an inclusive learning environment. Students develop an electronic portfolio to document their course-based experiences.

**INST 943 Impact of Technology on Education**

A critical examination of the impact of technology resources in the classroom. Students study learning, collaboration, and assessment within a technological environment and critically examine the role these technologies play in student learning. The technologies examined are updated with each course offering to reflect current trends and culture as well as to include topics such as adaptive learning, open education, and next-generation digital learning environments. Throughout these explorations, students analyze impact factors such as the role of accessibility and access, data governance, and analytics. Students contribute to the online course community through discussions and annotated readings in addition to individual research, writing, and reflection. Students continue the development of an electronic portfolio to document their field-based experiences.

**INST 951 Mathematics Instruction with Technology**

A course that identifies the mathematical content of the K-12 school curriculum as defined by the Massachusetts Curriculum Framework. Students learn how to use technology to enhance the teaching of mathematics. The Internet is utilized to conduct research for mathematical knowledge and technological pedagogical applications. Note: Students who completed 84.952 Technology for Mathematics and Science Instruction cannot enroll in INST 951 Mathematics Instruction with Technology.

Prerequisites: INST 943 Impact of Technology on Education.

**INST 954 Technology Infrastructure Management**

Designed to provide teachers with the strategies for maintaining and troubleshooting their computers by using a series of hands-on activities. Topics include computer hardware and peripherals, operating systems, system administration tools, networking, network management, and troubleshooting. A series of discussions are held about the issues facing technology leaders including computer donations, Internet safety, spyware, asset management, virus protection, and total cost of ownership. Through extensive discussion and project-based assignments, differentiated experiences are provided to meet the diverse needs of the students in this class. Students continue the development of an electronic portfolio to document their field-based experiences.

Prerequisites: INST 943 Impact of Technology on Education.



**INST 955 Discipline-Specific Topics in Instructional Technology**

Designed as an advanced course in curriculum and instructional technology that enables students to develop in-depth projects pertaining to their own grade level, teaching discipline, or school based priorities. Students develop advanced projects by using a multiplicity of technologies and present their results by way of multimedia formats. Participants develop projects that require direct involvement with students in their own classrooms.

Prerequisites: INST 943 Impact of Technology on Education.

**INST 959 Systemic Change: Curriculum, Instructional Technology, and Professional Development**

Designed as a capstone course about designing and implementing change. Students explore the process of change as it relates to technology integration and other improvements in a classroom, school, or district. Participants consider the professional standards that address technology integration and professional development, as well as the ethical, legal and human dimensions of such a change. They explore the roles of supervisors, school councils and administrators within the context of strategic educational planning. They also explore leadership and supervisory approaches to the redesign of instruction through emerging and online technologies, even within the context of limited financial resources and administrative preoccupation with other matters. Students continue the development of an electronic portfolio to document their field-based experiences.

Prerequisites: INST 951 Mathematics Instruction with Technology, INST 954 Technology Infrastructure Management and permission of the program advisor.

**INST 968 Introduction to Assistive Technology**

An exploration of the definitions of assistive technology, and investigates the scope of assistive technology services and devices and their applications for use in the home, school, workplace, and community activities. Students examine current research and development in the field. Students study federal and state laws and regulations regarding assistive technology, and identify local funding sources and funding issues. Students develop knowledge of occupational therapy and physical therapy and the role of the therapists in the assistive technology service planning process. Students practice effective communication and collaborative skills; develop skills in working with individuals and families using a client-centered process that fosters self-determination; develop cross-cultural competence to work with clients from diverse cultural backgrounds; and examine ethical and related professional issues.

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**LITERACY AND LANGUAGE****LTRC 900 Research and Practice in Reading**

Addresses research and practice relative to the fundamental principles of reading instruction including the reading process, the reading workshop, a literate environment, emergent literacy, reading skills and strategies, approaches to the teaching of reading, instructional materials and informal assessment. Students are required to spend a minimum of four hours per week for 12 weeks in a pre-practicum field experience. The preferred field site is an elementary or middle school classroom where developmental reading is taught. Arrangements for the field experience are the student's responsibility.

Prerequisite: A recent introductory course in the teaching of reading or the teaching of language arts.

**LTRC 901 Integrating the Language Arts**

Addresses research and practice relative to the fundamental principles of teaching the language arts using an integrated approach. Using a literature-based model, emphasis will be placed on the writing process and the reading-writing connection. Learning strategies, instructional methods and materials, and evaluation techniques will be integrated throughout the course. Students will create a portfolio demonstrating their competence as teachers of integrated language arts. Students will be required to spend a minimum of four (4) hours per week for 12 weeks in a pre-practicum field experience. The preferred field site is an elementary or middle school classroom where the language arts are taught. Arrangements for the field experience are the student's responsibility.

Prerequisite: An introductory course in the teaching of reading or the teaching of language arts.

**LTRC 902 Reading and Writing in the Content Areas**

Addresses the fundamental procedures related to integrating the language arts across the curriculum. Instructional strategies will combine reading process and writing process theory with all content areas. Current research and strategies for working with content area teachers will be integrated throughout the course.

Prerequisites: LTRC 900 Research and Practice in Reading and LTRC 901 Integrating the Language Arts.

**LTRC 903 Literacy Assessment, Analysis, and Intervention**

Designed to address the fundamental principles of assessment, evaluation, diagnosis, and planning of targeted supports and strategies with increasing intensity to affect positive student outcomes. Topics include administration and interpretation of effective, research-based data collection techniques and in/formal instruments followed by an improvement of core instruction and/or implementation of specialized intervention strategies. Students are required to spend a minimum of four hours per week for 12 weeks in a pre-practicum field experience. The preferred field site is an elementary or middle school classroom where the language arts are taught. Arrangements for the field experience are the student's responsibility.

Prerequisites: LTRC 900 Research and Practice in Reading and LTRC 901 Integrating the Language Arts.

**LTRC 907 Literacy Instruction**

Addresses the principles of reading and writing instruction at all levels and includes reading and writing process, skills and strategies, phonemic awareness and phonics, approaches, instructional materials, and informal assessment.

**LTRC 910 Leadership and Consultation in the Language Arts**

Addresses the basic responsibilities of the Specialist Teacher in Reading (Initial License). Topics will include organization and supervision of reading and language arts programs; selection of instructional materials; evaluation of classroom instruction; planning and implementing staff development; working with teachers to organize and manage language arts classrooms; and consulting with various groups within the school community. Students are required to spend a minimum of 75 hours in an approved field experience. On-site responsibilities include working directly with youngsters and conducting a teacher or parent workshop.

Prerequisites: Completion of all other courses except LTRC 952 Practicum in Literacy and Language with Seminar. Prior written approval by the advisor is also required.

**LTRC 920 Issues and Strategies in Reading and Literacy Instruction**

Emphasizes prominent issues facing literacy education today. Basic concepts, approaches, and strategies essential for good literacy teaching will be addressed. Topics include the nature of early literacy acquisition, comprehension and word analysis strategies, literature and reader response, use of alternative or authentic assessment, with emphasis on portfolios, classroom organization and management strategies, family literacy, and the influence of cultural linguistic diversity on reading instruction.

**LTRC 926 Discourses of Writing and Writing Instruction**

An exploration of the six research-based discourses of writing and writing pedagogy – skills, process, creativity, genre, social practices, and sociopolitical discourses. An anti-racist writing workshop model positions teachers as writers while engaging in shared learning experiences and instructional practices, especially those geared for racially and linguistically diverse K-12 writers. Topics covered include the writer's notebook, mentor texts, and the design of effective writing lesson plans and assessments.

**LTRC 930 Literacy Instruction for Diverse Learners**

Addresses differentiated instruction in reading and writing including assessment, learner profiles, instructional design, and implications for literacy learning. Students design and implement a literacy program for learners with disabilities. This course includes a required pre-practicum, field-based experience of 25 hours. The majority of the time is spent working with an individual student.

Prerequisite: LTRC 907 Literacy Instruction. Open to matriculated graduate students or by permission of the special education program coordinator.

**LTRC 952 Practicum in Literacy and Language with Seminar (offered in fall/spring only)**

Designed for students seeking the Initial Specialist Teacher: Reading License. This course is a field-based 150-hour practicum experience demonstrating mastery of the subject matter knowledge relative to the Specialist Teacher in Reading. Seminar topics include current literacy instruction, theory and practice. The candidate must also meet the Professional Standards for Teachers as described in the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education Regulations for Educator Licensure. Students secure their own placement site, which must be approved by the University.

Prerequisites: Successful completion of all degree requirements for the Master of Education with a concentration in Literacy and Language; and a passing score on Specialist Teacher: Reading MTEL (08); permission of program advisor three months prior enrolling in the Practicum.

**LTRC 988 Practicum in Reading Enrichment with Seminar (offered in summer only)**

Designed for students seeking the Initial Specialist Teacher License: Reading. This course is a practicum experience requiring 150 full-responsibility hours as a dedicated reading interventionist who provides individualized assessments and intensive instruction to a classroom of students enrolled in a summer program at a partnering school district. Scheduled seminars address practical application of research-based literacy instruction to support elementary-aged readers.

Prerequisites: Successful completion of all requirements for Master of Education with a concentration in Literacy and Language or for post-masters' Reading Specialist certificate programs; permission of the program advisor three months prior to the Practicum.

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**MANAGEMENT COURSES****MGMT 900 Foundations of Human Resource Management**

An overview of the major functional areas of human resources management. The student develops an understanding of the mission, role and major responsibilities of strategic human resources in achieving the objectives of the organization. The course covers the functional areas of human resource planning, recruitment and selection, training and development, performance appraisal, compensation and employee benefits government regulation compliance.

**MGMT 904 Management and Leadership**

Addresses managerial and leadership styles and the dynamics of organizational behavior. Topics include: managerial effectiveness strategies, leadership styles, organizational structuring issues, interpersonal relationships, and the building and managing of teams (formerly Managerial Theory).

**MGMT 905 Analytical Tools for Managers**

An introductory overview designed to equip current and future leaders in the application of analytical management tools in a business environment. Topics include statistical inference and analysis as a management tool, financial statement generation and interpretation, and the fundamentals of economic analysis. Business case studies and modeling are used to illustrate the principles and techniques covered in the course.

**MGMT 908 Fundamentals of Accounting and Financial Management**

A study of financial systems and the internal accounting reporting needs of a business, starting with the accounting cycle and going through the preparation and interpretation of financial statements for all types of business entities. The course integrates management theory, budgeting, generally accepted accounting principles, and the theory of accounts. Further, the course introduces students to financial institutions, and how to evaluate stocks and bonds in financial markets.

**MGMT 911 Organization Behavior and Theory**

An examination of the relationships between individuals, groups, and the organization as it relates to organization strategic performance. Participants focus on theoretical, empirical, and practical applications of organization research. Topics include motivation, group dynamics, team management, organizational injustice, decision-making, leadership, diversity and interpersonal relations.

Prerequisites: All MBA undergraduate prerequisite courses or the equivalent.

**MGMT 914 Theories of Managing Organizations**

A study of the theories, principles, and concepts of organizational management including the history of management thought, the environment of management, planning, decision making, organizing, motivating people, management theories, leadership theories, effective group and team management, communicating in organizations, management control systems, and ethics and social responsibility.

Prerequisites: MGMT 900 Foundations of Human Resource Management.

**MGMT 918 Managing in a Global Environment**

An introduction to the contemporary world of international business through an examination of the social, cultural, economic, ecological, and commercial aspects that impact global operations. Emphasis is both on the thorough understanding of the effect that international business has on the different functional aspects of the enterprise as well as the manner in which firms organize, operate, and formulate strategies in order to maximize their chances of successful operations. The goal of the course is to acquaint the student with conceptual and analytical tools necessary for the formulation of knowledge concerning international business practices, strategy, and positioning. NOTE: This course is open to matriculated MBA program students only.

Prerequisites: All MBA undergraduate prerequisite courses or the equivalent.

**MGMT 921 Business Operations Management for Biotechnology**

Designed for science professionals to develop and apply skills and knowledge for managing business operations. Topics include concepts and techniques for planning, designing, controlling and improving business operations. Real-world business cases are used to develop students' management capacity and capability. Areas of focus include the process view of organizations, performance measures, products and product attributes, production processes, process competencies, procurement and supply chain management and regulatory requirements.

Prerequisite: Acceptance into the P.S.M. program in Biotechnology.

**MGMT 922 Employment Law**

An investigation of the legal perspective of employer/employee relationships in today's complex business environment. Most aspects of federal and state laws related to employment relationships at all stages of the employment process are covered in detail from both business and human resources viewpoints.

Prerequisite: MGMT 900 Foundations of Human Resource Management.

**MGMT 931 Quantitative Methods for Business and Operations**

A study of quantitative methods used in business decision making. Methods of optimization modeling, such as linear and integer programming, Decision Theory, Queuing Theory and others are covered. Techniques for optimizing many critical business strategy and operations management decisions, such as production capacity, distribution network design, input/output analysis, bottleneck and capacity analysis, economies of scale in material handling and distribution, Economic Order Quantity (EOQ), Materials Resource Planning (MRP), reorder point computations, distribution and logistics management, and production and workforce scheduling are included.

Prerequisites: All MBA undergraduate prerequisite courses or the equivalent.

**MGMT 934 Human Resource Information Systems**

An overview of human resource information systems (HRIS) focused on strategic drivers for HRIS, selection, planning, system design and change management. Students are introduced to technology terms and key concepts, as well as procedures for evaluating, implementing and managing technology solutions in a business enterprise. Students also consider related ethical issues and emerging trends.

Prerequisite: MGMT 900 Foundations of Human Resource Management.

**MGMT 940 Business Ethics and Legal Environment**

A discussion of the dynamic ethical, legal, management, economic and non-economic, and regulatory environments in which firms compete domestically and internationally. This course applies ethical models of decision making to business decisions and compares and contrasts the impact of these decisions on relative stakeholders and firm competitiveness.

Prerequisite: Acceptance into M.B.A. program.

**MGMT 945 Management and Leadership for Biotechnology**

Designed for life science professionals. The course addresses managerial and leadership styles and the dynamics of organizational behavior. Topics include managerial effectiveness strategies, leadership styles, organizational structuring issues, interpersonal relationships, and the building and managing of teams. This course includes case studies from the biotechnology industry.

Prerequisite: Acceptance into the P.S.M. program in Biotechnology.

**MGMT 946 Organizational Development and Change**

A focus on the management of planned change in organizations. Covering techniques for strategic implementation as well as new ideas and practices, the activities of the course will include development of organizational change through an action research project as well as practice through case study.

Prerequisites: MGMT 914 Theories of Managing Organizations.

**MGMT 955 Compensation and Performance Management**

A comprehensive overview of compensation in the HR function whose goal is to assist students making compensation programs effective and competitive in a changing marketplace. Topics covered include: fundamentals of base pay, deferred compensation, executive compensation, job analysis, job evaluation, market analysis, salary ranges, legal and regulatory compliance, incentives, pay for performance, merit pay, performance management, appraisal methods (including errors in performance appraisals), salary surveys and total compensation. In addition, the course also explores the role of variable compensation, with a focus on using variable compensation to more effectively focus employee efforts and better align compensation costs with organizational performance.

Prerequisite: MGMT 900 Foundations of Human Resource Management.

**MGMT 963 Employee Benefits**

An exploration of the role of employer-provided benefits as a part of the modern human resources function. The class examines the history of employee benefits in the U.S., the increasing cost of benefits during the last 30 years, the legislative environment, how benefits are integrated as a part of the total compensation, and the emergence of outsourcing as a delivery mechanism. The class also examines retirement and savings plans as well as health and welfare plans. Topics covered are plan design, cost containment, funding, legal compliance, administration, share services, employee and manager self-service, and total benefit outsourcing.

Prerequisite: MGMT 900 Foundations of Human Resource Management.

**MGMT 969 Business Ethics**

An understanding of the ethical, social and political context of business organizations today. The course provides the understanding of ethical frameworks for approaching business problems in order to choose among alternative courses of action. This course emphasizes the application of ethical reasoning to real business and management situations, problems and decision-making. Readings, activities, guided discussion, case studies, and videos are the principal methods of learning. Theoretical ideas and concepts are integrated into the discussion of concrete issues throughout the course.

**MGMT 971 Communication and Negotiation**

A study of effective business communication and negotiation skills. Students examine and apply effective written, verbal and interpersonal communication skills in the context of the business setting. Students learn to plan, craft and complete brief messages, full reports, proposals, and online and oral presentations. Students learn the importance of framing dynamics and how to prepare to negotiate by exploring major concepts and theories of bargaining. Students apply effective communication and negotiation skills covered in the course to practical problems traditionally faced by managers in today's complex business environment.

Prerequisite: Acceptance into M.B.A. program, the P.S.M. concentration in Biotechnology, or permission from program coordinator.

**MGMT 972 Training and Development**

A study of business performance improvement through training and development. Students conduct needs assessment to identify organizational and individual performance improvement opportunities. Students learn to analyze, design, develop, implement and evaluate training and development solutions.

Prerequisites: Admission into the M.H.R. program.

**MGMT 977 Managing Global Diversity in Organizations**

A framework for managing diversity in today's rapidly changing business environment. It examines the complex roles of language, culture, personality and cognitive processes to determine how these interact to maintain and magnify cultural differences and other dimensions of diversity in today's workplace and society. The course includes theories for managing diversity, cultural capacity, personal and organizational communications, recruitment and retention of a diverse/global workforce and public relations campaigns to attract a diverse customer base. Topics include: (1) understanding the business environment that is driving the need for multicultural competencies, including U.S. demographic change and globalization, development of policies, techniques and (2) theories behind best business practices for building and maintaining a diverse/global workplace.

Prerequisite: MGMT 900 Foundations of Human Resource Management.

**MGMT 978 Leadership and Change**

An in-depth study into the leadership and management skills that change agents use on a regular basis as they implement organizational change. The class provides skill development of both managerial and interpersonal skill elements crucial to the success of change implementations. The leader as a visionary is critical to success in any organization, and a key attribute for any organizational leader. This course examines and links leadership theories and organizational change theories. Leadership models are examined as well as all those related to organizational change.

Prerequisite: Acceptance into M.B.A. program.

**MGMT 985 Seminar in Human Resources Management**

The final evaluation for M.A. in Human Resource Management students. Through a series of cases, students demonstrate competence in the area covered by the required program courses.

Prerequisites: Completion of all other degree requirements and permission of the Dean.

**MGMT 989 Strategic Management**

Focused on observing, analyzing and linking an organization and its environment by providing the tools needed to analyze its present position in the global marketplace and design its future. Organizational action plans for competing successfully and operating profitably are reviewed. Selection of strategic options with the ultimate goal of moving the organization forward successfully by crafting and executing strategy in order to achieve a competitive advantage is analyzed. Evaluation of present conditions, industry segment, organization vision, and ultimately the construction and implementation of strategies appropriate to lead to competitive advantage are examined. Using real business cases, reviewing current organization's strategies, sharing historical events and assessing rigorous theories and concepts of strategic management, students learn to assimilate and utilize knowledge to become a manager whose strategic actions can make a company thrive. A combination of teaching techniques and supporting tools are employed throughout the duration of the course.

Prerequisites: May be taken concurrently with MGMT 971 Communication and Negotiation and/or MGMT 978 Leadership and Change. Completion of all other MBA courses is required. Permission of the Dean of Graduate Studies is required.

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**MARKETING COURSES****MRKT 917 Strategic Marketing**

A focus on critically scanning and analyzing the external environment, defining strategic marketing decisions, developing and applying models to evaluate the alternatives and formulating recommended courses of action.

Prerequisites: All MBA undergraduate prerequisite courses or the equivalent.

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**MATHEMATICS COURSES****MATH 901 Foundations of Mathematics**

A course that is an in-depth investigation of the fundamental concepts of mathematics and their properties. The topics range from sets and logic to abstract algebra and proof. **NOTE:** The course serves as a foundation to all other courses in the graduate program. Prerequisite: Permission of the Department Chair.

**MATH 908 Geometry for Middle and High School Teachers I**

Designed for middle and high school teachers and includes such topics as a comparison between the metric and synthetic approach to geometry, polygons, polyhedra, tessellations, constructions, proof techniques, transformations, symmetry, and geometric modeling. These topics are also used to suggest methods and approaches to the teaching of geometry.

Prerequisite: MATH 901 Foundations of Mathematics or Permission of Program Coordinator.

**MATH 910 Algebra for Middle and High School Teachers**

Designed for middle and high school teachers and investigates the fundamental concepts of algebra. The topics will include real and complex numbers, binary operations and their properties, set theory, functions, polynomials, equations, algebraic structures, graphing, and related topics.

**MATH 913 Mathematical Models of Collective Action**

A study of collective action, cooperation, and social choice theory through the lens of mathematical game theory, specifically the Prisoner's Dilemma game. Topics include the effect of group size and selective incentives on the likelihood of success in a one-off group action, strategies that individuals employ in repeated group interactions, and how cooperation can evolve if members of the group have repeated interactions. Special attention is paid to the above topics in the context of a math classroom.

Prerequisites: MATH 901 Foundations of Mathematics

**MATH 918 Elementary Number Theory for Teachers**

A study of the summation and product notations, recursion, figurate numbers, divisibility, greatest common divisor, the Euclidean algorithm, lowest common multiple, and consequences. The course offers numerous opportunities for experimentation and exploration, and for conjecturing the myriad properties of Pascal's triangle, Fibonacci and Lucas numbers, Catalan numbers, Fermat numbers and Pell numbers. Note: Students cannot receive credit for this course if they have already completed MATH 810 Number Theory.

Prerequisite: Permission of Program Coordinator.

**MATH 924 Data Analyses and Statistical Concepts in Biotechnology**

Designed for data interpretation, analysis and statistical application in the biotechnology industry. Students perform analysis of quality and assess risk in making business decisions. It includes discussion of appropriate experimental methods. Students apply statistical analysis software commonly used in biotechnology and professional science industries.

Prerequisite: Acceptance into the P.S.M. concentration in Biotechnology.

**MATH 926 Geometry for Middle and High School Teachers II**

A continuation of MATH 908 Geometry for Middle and High School Teachers I in which students investigate finite, taxicab, spherical, and non-Euclidean geometries with an emphasis on hyperbolic geometry. Applications of these geometries to real life problems and other areas of mathematics are surveyed. Students create modules adapting this material to their classrooms.

Prerequisites: MATH 908 Geometry for Middle and High School Teachers I and MATH 910 Algebra for Middle and High School Teachers.

**MATH 928 Problem Solving for Teachers**

Designed for middle and high school teachers and emphasizes the study of a variety of types of problems and the strategies that might be used to solve them. One of the important objectives of the course is to immerse teachers in a problem-solving atmosphere that encourages them to make connections to previously learned concepts, to the different areas of mathematics and to the Grades 6-12 curriculum. Topics include problems from the fields of logic, set theory, geometry, number theory, algebra, analysis and probability.

**MATH 933 Calculus I for Middle and High School Teachers**

An in-depth investigation of the development of Calculus, with a careful treatment of the limit concept with regard to differentiation and integration. The investigation includes various applications of these operations and connects them to familiar problem situations. The importance of algebra and trigonometry skills are illustrated and emphasized.

Prerequisites: MATH 901 Foundations of Mathematics and MATH 910 Algebra for Middle and High School Teachers.

**MATH 934 Calculus II for Middle and High School Teachers**

A continuation of MATH 933 Calculus I for Middle and High School Teachers. This course investigates the use of the limit concept in the development and application of the concept of integration. The investigation includes the topics of sequences, series, numerical integration and topics related to the Advanced Placement courses presently offered at most high schools.

Prerequisites: MATH 933 Calculus I for Middle and High School Teachers.

**MATH 990 Directed Study in Mathematics**

Student research on a topic or topics in higher mathematics or computer science. Suggested areas include applied algebra, numerical analysis, and mathematical physics. The student should make arrangements with the faculty member who is to direct his/her work one semester in advance of the work.

**MATH 999 Reading and Research in Higher Mathematics**

A course where the student writes an essay or a thesis on a topic in higher mathematics, under the direction of a faculty member.

**DUAL-LEVEL ELECTIVES**

*(Offered in conjunction with the corresponding undergraduate course)*

**MATH 808 Applied Statistical Processing**

Practical aspects of data analysis using statistical computer packages such as MINITAB, SPSSX, and BMDP. Multivariate statistical methods including multiple regression, analysis of covariance, factor analysis, multidimensional scaling, discriminant analysis and linear models for cross-classified categorical data are emphasized. Students do individual data analysis projects.

Prerequisite: MATH 807 Intermediate Statistics.

**MATH 810 Number Theory**

A study of the properties of numbers. Topics include mathematical induction, divisibility, primes, congruencies, the Chinese remainder theorem, primitive roots, quadratic reciprocity, continued fractions, partitions and the history of some classical problems.

Prerequisite: Calculus II.

**MATH 811 Problem Solving/Modeling in Mathematics**

A study in problem solving with the development of banks of problems appropriate to various grade levels and selected from arithmetic, informal geometry, logic, measurement, number sequences, probability, and statistics, challenging enough to provoke interest, but realistic enough to be successful experiences. Heuristic problem-solving techniques, Polya's stages of problem solving, specific strategies, and pedagogical issues are studied.

Prerequisites: Intuitive Geometry and Finite Mathematics.

**MATH 817 Introduction to Higher Geometry**

A precise, rigorous examination of the axioms and concepts of various geometries. Euclidean, non-Euclidean, and transformational geometries are investigated.

Prerequisite: Calculus I.

**MATH 819 Abstract Algebra**

A study of the algebraic structures, groups, rings, integral domains, fields, and polynomials. Note: Students may not receive credit for both this course and 43.835 Algebraic Structures I (formerly Modern Algebra).

Prerequisite: MATH 810 Number Theory.

**MATH 848 Mathematical Statistics I**

A study of sample spaces, events as subsets of a sample space, probability, axioms, combinatorics applied to probability problems, random variables and their distributions, special distributions, multivariate distributions, central limit theorem, and topics in statistical inference.

Prerequisites: Calculus III and either Finite Mathematics or Linear Algebra and Applications.

**MATH 849 Mathematical Statistics II**

A study of estimation, decision theory and hypothesis testing, linear models, regression, analysis of variance, analysis of categorical data, nonparametric inference.

Prerequisite: MATH 848 Mathematical Statistics I.

**MATH 870 Seminar in Mathematics**

An exploration of an advanced topic in mathematics or computer science. The particular topic is announced at least one semester in advance.

Prerequisite: Permission of instructor.

**MATH 878 Real Analysis**

Set theory, relations and functions, properties of the real number system, topology of the real line, introduction to metric spaces, limits of sequences and functions, continuous functions, differentiation, the Riemann-Stieltjes integral.

Prerequisite: Calculus III.

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**NURSING COURSES****NURSING CASE MANAGEMENT COURSES****NURM 910 Professional Foundations and Care Coordination**

An introduction to the concepts, practices, and procedures in professional case management. The case manager's role, function, and essential activities are explored including the importance of the development of relationships to coordinate client needs.

**NURM 920 Quality Management and Health Promotion**

An examination of the knowledge and skills necessary to provide quality management and health promotion to individuals. The impacts of evidence-based practice, government health regulations, and performance improvement guidelines on the case management process are explored.

Prerequisites: NURM 910 Professional Foundations and Care Coordination.

**NURM 980 Seminar and Externship in Case Management**

An application of the concepts of health systems and case management. Students are provided the opportunity to practice professional case management in a healthcare setting. Students are paired with case manager/preceptor in a variety of clinical settings to improve their skills as well as attend in-class seminars with faculty.

Prerequisites: NURM 920 Quality Management and Health Promotion.

**NURM 985 Applied Practicum in Case Management**

A synthesis of the professional Nurse Case Management practice in diverse populations and health environments. Emphasis is placed on a coordinated, evidence-based, interdisciplinary, collaborative, integrated, and cost-effective approach to health care with diverse and vulnerable populations. Financial and ethical aspects of life care planning as related to disease management, coordination of care, and the process of identifying long-term care for vulnerable populations are emphasized. Coordinated with campus seminars, students are provided a supervised practicum location to practice case management in a healthcare setting to a population of interest.

Prerequisites: NURM 980 Seminar and Externship in Case Management.

**NURSING CORE COURSES****NURC 905 Health and Education Resources and Policies**

An exploration of the state of nursing today, as well as the role of the nurse leader and nurse educator in policy and politics within government, workplace, organizations and community in determining policies and effectively utilizing resources to improve the culture of safety, quality care, and the working environment in practice and educational settings. The role of the nurse leader and nurse educator in healthcare delivery and financing is examined.



**NURC 915 Advanced Technology and Nursing Informatics**

A foundation for the synthesis of technology and informatics into advanced nursing roles. The focus is on the computer competencies, informatics competencies, informational literacy and technology required for the nurse leader and nurse educator. Evidence-based practice is explored to support the utilization of technology within the confines of system resources to meet identified patient and learner needs.

**NURC 925 Ethical, Social and Cultural Competencies**

An investigation of the ethical, social and cultural competencies necessary for decision making in evidence-based practice by nurses in advanced roles. Principles of ethics, moral development and diversity are explored in order to obtain the knowledge and skills to provide individualized care and protect the personal integrity of patients with diverse health, social, economic and cultural issues.

**NURC 935 Essential Preparation for Advanced Nursing Role**

An examination of the knowledge and skills required for direct care practice for the nurse in an advanced practice role. Building upon knowledge acquired at the baccalaureate level, students focus on three main areas: pathophysiology, health assessment, and pharmacology.

**NURC 971 Nursing Theory and Research I**

A focus on the utilization of nursing related theories and the research process to promote evidence-based change in nursing practice and education settings. Critical thinking is used to evaluate nursing research studies. Students incorporate previously learned material on policy, social, cultural, ethical and technological issues into a clinical, health systems and outcomes, and/or nursing education research proposal.

Prerequisites: NURC 905 Health and Education Resources and Policies, NURC 915 Advanced Technology and Nursing Informatics, NURC 925 Ethical, Social and Cultural Competencies.

**NURC 972 Nursing Theory and Research II**

The application of theory and the research process focusing on implementation and evaluation to enhance health and healthcare. Students conduct an evidence-based project related to topics such as safety, quality of care, systems, ethics, healthy lifestyles, health promotion/prevention of illness and/or teaching strategies in academic and practice settings. Students provide evidence for developing guidelines to advance nursing practice as nurse educators and leaders.

Prerequisite: NURC 971 Nursing Theory and Research I.

**NURSING EDUCATION COURSES****NURE 925 Introduction to Clinical Simulation**

An introduction to clinical simulation pedagogy, terminology, and levels of fidelity. Participants are introduced to the skills related to clinical simulation design and evaluation that are essential for nurse educators based on the Standards of the International Association for Clinical Simulation and Learning (INACSL) as a framework. Components of simulation as a teaching strategy are applied using hands-on practice in the Framingham State University nursing simulation lab.

**NURE 941 Curriculum Design and Evaluation**

An exploration of the application of critical thinking in the design of a nursing curriculum. This course investigates mission, philosophy, conceptual terms, program outcomes, and program evaluation in order to prepare students for the advanced role of a nurse educator. The role of a nurse educator in academic and service areas is explored.

**NURE 945 Clinical Simulation Design and Evaluation**

A focus on higher-level cognitive and psychomotor skills in nursing while applying the Standards of the International Association for Clinical Simulation and Learning (INACSL) to design, implement, and evaluate a new nursing simulation scenario. Concepts include developing objectives, curriculum integration strategies, fidelity, design and management of the simulated clinical experience, interdisciplinary team training, debriefing, research and evaluation.

Prerequisites: NURE 925 Introduction to Clinical Simulation.

**NURE 951 Course Development and Implementation**

An investigation of the principles of course development; teaching strategies, including the use of technology; and classroom and clinical evaluation. Ethical and legal issues are explored in relation to nursing education. NOTE: This course can be taken concurrently with NURE 941 Curriculum Design and Evaluation.

Prerequisite: NURE 941 Curriculum Design and Evaluation.

**NURE 981 Advanced Teaching Methods (Practicum I)**

The application of curriculum design, evaluation, course development, and implementation in a teaching practicum in classroom and clinical settings with a nurse educator/preceptor and in seminars with faculty.

Prerequisites: NURE 951 Course Development and Implementation.

**NURE 985 Applied Clinical Simulation Practice**

A structured coaching and clinical experience during which participants practice essential simulation education skills in the Framingham State University nursing simulation lab setting. Participants apply debriefing techniques and develop student evaluations along with discussing and practicing management of student issues, simulation operations, and staffing concerns.

Prerequisites: NURE 945 Clinical Simulation Design and Evaluation.

**NURE 991 Application of Technology to Education (Practicum II)**

A practicum to apply current technology to classroom and clinical nursing education to enhance communication, ethical decision-making and critical thinking. Allocation of education resources to meet diverse learning styles, achieve learning objectives and advance evidence-based nursing practice are explored.

Prerequisites: NURC 905 Health and Education Resources and Policies, NURC 915 Advanced Technology and Nursing Informatics.

**NURSING LEADERSHIP COURSES****NURL 943 Strategic Planning for Nursing's Future**

A foundation for the aspiring nurse leader in shaping change directed to the priorities of quality and safety in the nursing work environment. Students explore the synthesis of principles, theories, and concepts of effective leadership and analyze the individual, interpersonal, and critical thinking skills needed to assist people and organizations in creating and achieving a vision. Primary themes include models of leadership, effective professional communication, collaboration, team building, affirmation of personal and professional values, motivation, mediation, mentoring, empowerment, and risk-taking to effect innovative change.

**NURL 953 Role in Health Care Systems**

A basis for understanding how the business of health care affects the nurse's role in management or administration, along with the legal, ethical, and regulatory dimensions of organizational leadership. The focus is on the nurse's role as a leader in health and health care using communication and relationship management, knowledge of healthcare environment, business skills, and professionalism to achieve established goals and improve quality of care.

Prerequisite: NURL 943 Strategic Planning for Nursing's Future.

**NURL 983 Practicum in Organizational Management (Practicum I)**

An application of concepts of CQI organizational dynamics and outcome measures, informatics, and financial management in a variety of health care settings. Students work closely with a leader on organization-designated projects and experience role modeling while contributing to the functioning of the healthcare organization.

Prerequisite: NURL 953 Role in Health Care Systems.

**NURL 993 Internship in Independent Leadership Skills (Practicum II)**

An opportunity to practice independent leadership skills in an ever-changing healthcare organization. The student completes a selected leadership project to address safety, quality, and/or nursing work environment issues in health care. Acute care agencies, community settings, municipal and state agencies, public and private institutions and/or professional organizations are possible sites for the practicum, thus offering the student a wide range of opportunities to achieve individualized leadership goals.

Prerequisite: NURL 983 Practicum in Organizational Management.

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**NUTRITION EDUCATION COURSES****NUED 900 Leadership in Excellence in School Nutrition**

A study of the core functions of state child nutrition programs. These include nutrition promotion, nutrition standards, institution and participant eligibility for participation and benefits, compliance and accountability, financial management, reporting/recordkeeping, safety, sanitation and emergency management, training and technical assistance, and state administration of state child nutrition agencies. Laws, regulations, and policies are addressed. This course is designed to develop leadership and partnering skills to influence the quality of nutrition programs and the effective use of resources.

**NUED 901 Seminar and Practicum I in School Nutrition**

A concentrated and supervised internship in an approved school nutrition site coordinated with online weekly seminars. Students develop knowledge, skills, and competencies necessary to provide school nutrition services as outlined in the School Nutrition Association's Keys to Excellence program areas of Administration, Communications and Marketing, Nutrition and Nutrition Education, and Operations and the School Foodservice and Nutrition Specialist Credentialing Exam Study Guide. Student interns demonstrate the ability to communicate, collaborate, work in teams to solve problems, and apply critical thinking skills. Students are required complete a minimum of 450 hours/semester. *NOTE: Students must provide proof of eligibility to work in United States; Serve Safe Certification; State criminal offender record information (CORI). Liability insurance is required. Students must meet any individual worksite regulations.*

Prerequisites: Acceptance into the M.Ed. graduate program in Nutrition Education and the School Nutrition Specialist.

**NUED 902 Seminar and Practicum II in School Nutrition**

A continuation of the concentrated and supervised internship in Seminar and Practicum I in School Nutrition coordinated with online weekly seminars that further develop leadership and management skills. Students typically continue at the same site as Seminar I. Students develop knowledge, skills, and competencies in administration and management necessary to provide school nutrition services as outlined in the School Nutrition Association's Keys to Excellence program areas of Administration, Communications and Marketing, Nutrition and Nutrition Education, and Operations and the School Foodservice and Nutrition Specialist Credentialing Exam Study Guide. Student interns demonstrate the ability to communicate, collaborate, work in teams to solve problems, and apply critical thinking skills. Students are required to complete a minimum of 450 hours/semester at a child nutrition program site plus preparation of written assignments and weekly seminar discussions. *NOTE: Students must provide proof of eligibility to work in United States; Serve Safe Certification; State criminal offender record information (CORI). Liability insurance is required. Students must meet any individual worksite regulations.*

Prerequisites: NUTR 901 Practice I in School Nutrition.

**NUED 910 Nutrition Science in the Classroom**

An update for teachers, health educators, and other health professionals on the application of nutrition principles and research that support the United States Dietary Guidelines and other dietary guidelines established by voluntary health agencies. Content includes basic nutrition science and applications for nutrition education. Students conduct a computer analysis of their own diets. Resources for instruction are identified and evaluated for a variety of audiences and settings. Note: This course cannot be applied to graduate or certificate programs for nutrition professionals.

Prerequisite: Non-nutrition bachelor's degree.

**NUED 911 Research Methods in Nutrition**

A study of research techniques applicable to nutrition science investigation and nutrition education assessment. Using a hands-on approach, students are acquainted with research hypotheses, study designs and methods, application of basic statistical concepts, and proposal formats. Design of an original research project is required.

Prerequisite: An undergraduate or graduate statistics course in the last five years.

**NUED 914 Contemporary Nutrition Issues for Educators**

An update for teachers, health educators, and health professionals on current topics in nutrition. Research and curricula related to child and adolescent nutrition are explored in depth. Specific topics include: nutrition and learning, eating disorders, prevention of chronic disease, food allergies, sports nutrition, food safety, functional foods, and biotechnology. Development of an original instructional plan is required. *NOTE: This course cannot be applied to the requirements for the Masters of Science degree, concentration in Food and Nutrition.*

Prerequisite: NUTR 910 Nutrition Science in the Classroom or approval of instructor.

**NUED 922 Communication in Public Health and Nutrition**

An exploration of the basics of writing and other forms of communication to effectively reach target populations with health and nutrition information geared towards behavior change. Target populations include families, children, educators, patients, and community stakeholders. Writing articles for a lay audience, crafting press releases, and composing messages for the electronic media are included as students explore where to find factual information that can be applied quickly and effectively. Tactics for choosing copies, evaluating sources, and best practices for contacting the media are discussed and applied.

Prerequisite: NUED 914 Contemporary Nutrition Issues for Educators.

**NUED 924 Obesity and Weight Management**

An overview of current evidence-based practice in managing both overweight and underweight individuals across the lifecycle. Topics include: scientific background on the etiology of overweight and obesity and the role of the food environment; role of the education system supports in addressing issues surrounding weight management; initiatives to promote healthy weight management. Course is appropriate for school nutrition professionals, registered dietitians, nurses and health educators.

**NUED 926 Nutrition in Eating Disorders Management**

A comprehensive overview of nutrition intervention and counseling for those struggling with an eating disorder. Topics include assessing weight and establishing weight goals/weight defining recovery and relapse, compulsive overexercise, therapy modalities, prescribing and adjusting meal and physical activity plans, working with families, diet talk, and harm reduction. Note: This course is appropriate for graduate dietetics students, registered dietitians, and/or school nutrition professionals with a medical nutrition therapy background.

Prerequisite: Completion of Medical Nutrition Therapy II or equivalent with a grade of at least C, or current registered dietitian nutritionist or registered nurse.

**NUED 936 Behavioral Health Psychology**

An investigation into the biological, psychological, and social factors related to the promotion of health and prevention of illness. The body's nervous, endocrine, digestive, and circulatory systems are explored as well as how they can influence and be influenced by exercise, addiction, diet, stress, pain, and social factors. The reciprocal interaction of the mind and body is emphasized to understand the mechanisms and pathways in disease processes.

**NUED 948 Motivation and Health Behavior**

An examination of contemporary theories and models of health behavior change, health coaching/consulting, and well-being. Emphasis is placed on the integration of theoretical, empirical, and practical - e.g., health coaching/consulting skills - knowledge to improve the well-being of individuals and communities.

**NUED 940 Nutrition and Healthy Aging**

A study of the changes in nutrient requirements in the geriatric population and the impact of nutrition on age-related diseases. The causes and consequences of malnutrition in older adults and possible interventions are included. Functionality, management of chronic disease, and quality of life as important outcome measures in the treatment and care of the elderly are considered in the context of the nutrition care process and Centers for Medicare and Medicaid (CMS) regulations.

Prerequisite: NUTR 874 Human Nutrition Science or NUTR 910 Nutrition Science in the Classroom or Bachelor's Degree in Nutrition or Health or permission of the instructor.

**NUED 950 Contemporary Issues in the Food System**

A study of the challenges in the United States food system and an exploration of potential solutions. Emphasis is placed on the connections among food production, consumption, health, and the environment. Investigation focuses on individual-, community-, and policy-level solutions to achieve a more sustainable food system. Topics may include: food waste; effects of climate change on food availability; health and environmental impacts of current consumption patterns; agricultural production, transportation, and retailing; social injustice in the food system; strategies for shifting diet patterns; and solutions for a more resilient and sustainable future.

**NUED 970 Technology in Nutrition Education**

A study of technology designed to enhance the efficiency and accuracy of education in nutrition professions. Investigations include development, application, and evaluation of emerging technologies related to nutrition and education. NOTE: Credit will not be given for this course and NUTR 879 Computer Applications in Nutrition.

Prerequisite: College-level general nutrition course within the past five years.

**NUED 973 Nutrition Education Programs and Curricula I: Design**

A study of the research related to the instructional design process. Emphasis is on the application of teaching and learning principles as they relate to nutrition education. Investigation focuses on audience needs and the application of appropriate learning theories to motivate and facilitate behavior change. Students develop an instructional design to be refined, implemented and evaluated in NUED 993 Nutrition Education Programs and Curricula II: Implementation and Evaluation.

Prerequisite: Five (5) courses completed in the Masters of Education concentration in Nutrition Education program including NUED 911 Research Methods in Nutrition and NUED 970 Technology in Nutrition Education; or permission of program coordinator.

**NUED 978 Public Health Nutrition**

A study of nutrition concepts and the political/social realities that affect the nutritional health of populations. The development of nutrition policies at the local, state, and national levels are explored along with the delivery of community-based services. Topics may include: nutritional science in the lifecycle, sociocultural aspects of nutrition, food and nutrition programs, nutrition assessment of populations, food insecurity, health promotion guidelines, and food safety.

Prerequisites: NUTR 914 Contemporary Nutrition Issues for Schools or instructor's permission.

**NUED 993 Nutrition Education Programs and Curricula II: Implementation and Evaluation**

The completion, implementation, and evaluation of an in-depth instructional design curriculum developed in NUED 973 Nutrition Education Programs and Curricula I Design. Projects integrate instructional methods based in educational theory, and match specific teaching strategies and assessment methods to nutrition and health learning needs.

Prerequisite: NUED 973 Nutrition Education Programs and Curricula I: Design.

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## ORGANIZATIONAL LEADERSHIP COURSES

### **ORGL 903 Organizational Psychology**

An examination of relevant factors in the realms of organizational behavior, social psychology, and the psychology of groups and individuals in business and team environments in contemporary organizations. This course covers the concepts of leadership, motivation, group dynamics, personality, organizational development strategies, organizational change, management through disruption, and other behavioral aspects involved in the effective management of an organization through readings, lecture, video, discussion, and group exercises.

Prerequisites: Matriculation into graduate degree program at FSU.

### **ORGL 907 Leadership and Team Management**

An examination of concepts and theories on leadership and team management through instances of organizational change and growth. This course translates principles of organizational psychology into practices that drive individual and team development and performance. Particular attention is given to fostering emotional intelligence as a foundation for inclusive professional and team development.

### **ORGL 916 Evidence Based Management and Decision Making**

An examination of the application of analytical tools to support decision making in an organization from both a local and global focus. Students examine the processes of evidence-based management and how these impact downstream individual and group decision making. Topics include the gathering and processing of evidence in a scientific and methodical manner, the relevance of local and global environments, the importance of equity and consideration of multiple perspectives, and the effective use of evidence and data collection to make decisions.

### **ORGL 922 Leading with Ethics**

An examination of the foundational concepts of ethics in leadership and their impact within the organizational environment with emphasis on experiential learning. The course introduces terminology, concepts, trends, cultural influences and best practices for identifying and responding to ethical and legal issues from an individual and organizational perspective, including application of these perspectives to making decisions. Topics include an examination of individual values, the underlying purposes of business ethics and legal regulation, and how globalization influences these concepts.

### **ORGL 934 International Business Management**

An exploration and evaluation of how social, cultural, political, economic, ethical and ecological factors impact leadership in a global context. Studies of organizations involved with international policies, projects, and commerce include factors affecting trade, collaboration, and cooperation.

### **ORGL 945 Leading the Innovation Process and Navigating Disruptive Technologies**

An examination of the roles of leaders in fostering and supporting innovation and creativity in different types of organizations. Predictive analysis, critical thinking, and creative logic in ethical decision making are explored. Students examine principles of entrepreneurial leadership in the contexts of both start-up and mature organizations and apply them through experiential learning in a culminating project. Topics include understanding the role of creativity in innovation and the nature of disruptive business forces.

### **ORGL 950 Leading Organizations in the Age of Artificial Intelligence**

An examination of the impact of Artificial Intelligence (AI) on organizational leadership and workplace human AI interactions. Topics include the history of AI to date, how AI has developed, and expected directions of AI and how this technology impacts the future of traditional leadership functions in the workplace. Students also consider the impact of AI on the automation and augmentation of human tasks in organizations, from assembly lines to the operating room and beyond.

### **ORGL 968 Negotiation and Ethical Influence**

An exploration of effective leaders and negotiation skills and the use of ethical principles. Students examine and apply written, oral, and interpersonal communication skills of leaders in the context of an organizational setting while emphasizing the importance of psychological concepts of influence and foundational theories of ethics. Topics include the application of communication and negotiation skills based on practical problems typically faced by leaders in today's complex environments.

Prerequisite: ORGL 903 Organizational Psychology.

**ORGL 980 Seminar in Organizational Leadership**

A capstone experience in the field of management organizational leadership. Students have the option to complete an employer-based capstone project or a research-based capstone project. Students who select the employer-based capstone project work with their employer to select a scope-bounded project that is outside of their normal responsibilities and can be assessed, completed, and documented in the one-semester time frame. Students who select the research-based capstone project work with their instructor to ensure the project is of a satisfactory nature in terms of rigor, scope and achievability. All students deliver a final presentation summarizing the project outcomes.

Prerequisite: Permission of the program coordinator/advisor.

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**PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION COURSES****PADM 901 Foundations of Public Administration**

Concerned with the nature and functioning of the public administrative process. The goals of the course are: (1) to develop an understanding of administrative behavior in the public sector, and (2) to understand how administrative behavior and structure affects the making, implementing, and managing of public programs and policies. The course serves as a survey of the fundamental concepts and issues of public administration and management. The course format consists of a case study approach. A substantial part of the weekly meetings are devoted to practical exercises and cases. Role playing, simulation, and case analysis are emphasized. Class participation is an essential and important part of the course.

**PADM 911 Grantsmanship and Development**

An overview of fund-raising activities, and includes preparation of proposals to federal and local agencies, corporations and private foundations; and the planning and supervising of special fundraising events, capital campaign and annual drives, purchasing and operating endowments, and membership drives. Students learn how to prepare realistic budgets and how to write successful proposals.

**PADM 929 Techniques of Policy Analysis**

An introductory course in public policy analysis. In addition to surveying the politics of the policy-making process, the course develops a framework of principles for making policy decisions and examines general analytical methods useful for the decision-making process. Topics include module survey techniques, benefit-cost analysis and the role of the analysis as an alternative to political power.

**PADM 932 Managing Public Sector Projects**

Designed to provide public and non-profit managers with the understanding and skills required to manage public projects in the contemporary environment of public-private partnerships, outsourcing, downsizing, and networking. The course provides a framework for the successful management of public projects at all levels of government and on any scale. Among the topics addressed are public sector regulations, contract negotiations, cost estimation, risk analysis, scheduling, monitoring, capital budgeting, procurement, and evaluation.

**PADM 937 Techniques of Public Budgeting and Resource Management**

A study of public budgeting as a political process which attempts to plan, coordinate and control the allocation and use of the public resources under conditions of scarcity and uncertainty. While the course is generally designed to present a broad overview of the budgeting function as practiced in a variety of governmental settings, it is specifically designed to focus on budgeting as a management tool. Within this context the student is expected to develop practical knowledge of public budgeting systems and techniques.

**PADM 944 Marketing for Non-Profit Organizations**

An examination of the role of marketing and promotion in strategic planning for public and non-profit agencies. This course introduces students to the use of marketing techniques used by nonprofit organizations to create unique brands and reach organizational stakeholders. This course focuses on best practices and critically assesses the return on investment in social media and marketing for nonprofits.

**PADM 957 Risk Management and Fiscal Analysis**

An examination of risk analysis and its importance in helping to ensure that an organization has effective internal fiscal controls. The components of an effective internal control system such as the safeguarding of assets and adequate segregation of duties and responsibilities are covered. Pertinent laws and regulations are discussed to increase the practitioner's awareness of the current legal environment and its ramifications to an organization. The course also focuses on the importance of fiscal responsibility. Students learn to use financial statement analysis and the importance of performance measurement in the planning, execution, and reporting processes. Although this course focuses on the public sector, the concepts are applicable to the private sector, hospitals, educational institutions and non-profit organizations.

**PADM 981 Personnel Management in the Public Sector**

A major concern of any agency is the effective and efficient management of its personnel. To a large extent an organization is an entity consisting of individuals bound together through division goals. A necessary administrative tool of any manager is the ability to recruit, supervise and control members of an organization. This course focuses on membership, staffing, job classification, unionism, productivity, performance evaluation and personnel accountability. Case studies and simulation are used to emphasize theories and practice of personnel management.

**PADM 984 Seminar in Public Administration**

A focus on selected topics and cases in public administration. Students participate in discussion, analysis, and evaluation of contemporary issues of the administrative process and program management.

Prerequisite: Completion of all other degree requirements and permission of the Dean of Graduate Studies.

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**QUANTATIVE ECONOMIC ANALYSIS COURSES****QUAN 908 Quantitative Analysis for Administrators**

A quantitative approach to problem-solving and decision-making for administrators. Topics include integer and non-integer linear programming optimization; hypothesis development and testing; and statistical inferences using multiple regression analysis, covariance analysis, factor analysis, discriminate analysis, and linear models for cross-classified categorical data.

Prerequisite: An undergraduate introductory course in statistics.

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**SCIENCE, TECHNOLOGY, ENGINEERING, AND MATHEMATICS COURSES****STEM 915 The Art of Engineering and Design**

A team-based approach for educators to gain experience with the engineering design process as they explore solutions to open-ended design challenges presented in class. Educators have the opportunity to collaborate with colleagues as they explore how the art of design can apply to learning across the curriculum. This course examines the elements of the engineering design process and offers a variety of experiences in applying the design process in various content areas. It provides an opportunity to explore various Web and mobile technologies educators use to engage their students in the art of design.

**STEM 929 Number, Operations, and Representation**

An investigative approach to the study of the concepts underlying the mathematics taught in grades K-6 and the connections to algebra, science, engineering, and technology. As students explore relationships between number, operations, and representations in several contexts, they develop an understanding of the structure and coherence of mathematics and an understanding of ways that mathematics can be used to describe real-world concepts and to solve problems. Collaboration between students is an important component of the course as is the development of a positive disposition towards mathematics. The Common Core Standards for Mathematical Practice and Standards for Mathematical Content is used to help students relate the concepts learned in the course to their classroom practice.

**STEM 932 Poetry and Pattern in the Natural World of Science**

An integrated approach to the study of the laws, patterns, and processes of the natural world. Science is about investigation of nature, asking and seeking answers to the "why" and "how" questions that come naturally to children. This course attempts to reconnect students with that sense of wonder and curiosity by exploring questions and topics that cross the boundaries between traditionally separate science subjects. Science content, based on the Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks, is integrated with pedagogy so students not only learn about science topics but also ways they can include these topics in their own classrooms. Emphasis is also placed on addressing and correcting common misconceptions. Organizing themes that connect the physical, earth and life sciences in this course include: our place in the universe, the solar system and earth's seasons, and matter and the building blocks of life.

**STEM 945 21<sup>st</sup> Century Technology Tools for Teaching and Learning**

Designed to provide educators with multiple project-based opportunities to explore and apply new technologies that impact how we learn and influence how we teach. This course examines two distinct and equally challenging aspects of Web technology: effectively using these technologies in the classroom while considering the legal and ethical use of such technologies and successfully integrating the online learning community into an educator's own professional learning. Working in a collaborative environment, students develop an approach to find and evaluate tools and facilities that aid in accomplishing a variety of specific tasks. Students also develop strategies and skills to reflect on and evaluate those tools and approaches on a continuing basis. Students learn how to effectively incorporate new trends in professional learning. Social networking broadens the comprehensive resources available to educators to enhance both their personal and professional learning.

**STEM 959 Examining the World through Data and Shape**

An investigative approach to the study of the concepts underlying the mathematics taught in grades K-6 and the connections to science, engineering, and technology. As students explore the relationships between shape, dimension, and transformations in several contexts and collect data, describe characteristics of data, and infer results, they develop an understanding of the basic concepts of geometry and statistics and the ways in which mathematics can be used to study variation in the real-world. Collaboration between students is an important component of the course as is the development of a positive disposition towards mathematics. The Common Core Standards for Mathematical Practice and Standards for Mathematical Content is used to help students relate the concepts learned in the course to their classroom practice.

**STEM 962 A World Connected: Interdependence and System in Science**

An exploration of how the living world is connected to its physical surroundings. This course takes an integrated approach to the scientific study of earth and its inhabitants. Students examine dynamic systems ranging from single cells to organisms and ecosystems and explore how life is both constrained by and dependent upon the chemical and physical environment. Science content, based on the Massachusetts curriculum frameworks, is integrated with pedagogy so students not only learn about science topics but also ways they can include these topics in their own classrooms. Emphasis is placed on addressing and correcting common misconceptions. Organizing themes for this course include: earth systems and evolution of life, the flow of energy, and physics of the senses.

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**SPECIAL EDUCATION COURSES****SPED 937 Connecting Mathematical Concepts and Teaching**

Designed for teachers to investigate the major mathematical concepts and content found in the Massachusetts Mathematics Curriculum Framework, in order to improve their understanding and recognition of connections within the mathematical curriculum. By analyzing classroom cases, participants learn to identify mathematical concepts with which students struggle. Teachers improve their ability to communicate mathematical ideas to students.

**SPED 942 Developmental Patterns of Students with Moderate Disabilities**

A review of the developmental sequence from birth through adulthood with emphasis on cognitive, social, emotional, physical and language development and growth, and examines various pervasive and developmental delays and disabilities. Particular emphasis is placed on the study of the categories of disabilities defined in federal and state regulations. Study of cross-cultural competence and ways families may view disabilities and special education is included.



**SPED 943A Practicum A and Seminar in Moderate Disabilities: Grades PreK-2**

The first half of a full-time full-semester-long practicum, in an appropriate public-school setting, for students seeking an Initial license in Moderate Disabilities Grades PreK-2. At least 75 hours of the full-semester practicum must be completed in an inclusive, general education setting. The remaining hours, minimum 225, may be completed in an inclusive, general education setting or in a separate or substantially separate setting for students with moderate disabilities. The practicum candidate's responsibilities mirror the breadth and depth of the responsibilities of a special education teacher including co-planning, co-teaching, small group and whole class instruction, individualized and specialized instruction, implementing and evaluating accommodations and modifications, supporting students' behavioral needs, assisting students with organization and study skills, and related activities as described in students' Individualized Education Program (IEPs). The practicum candidate participates in IEP meetings and parent conferences as well as administers, under supervision of a qualified practitioner, individualized achievement tests to one student and prepares a comprehensive report of the findings. The practicum candidate must assume full responsibility, i.e. in the role of the special education teacher, for at least 150 hours. This course is graded as satisfactory/unsatisfactory. The practicum application must be submitted through the FSU Field Experience Office by October 1 for spring practicum and by February 15 for fall practicum.

Corequisite: SPED 943B Practicum and Seminar in Moderate Disabilities: Grades PreK-2

Prerequisites: Completion of all special education concentration courses or enrollment in the final concentration course concurrently with the practicum. Only one course may be taken concurrently with the practicum course and must be approved by the program coordinator.

**SPED 943B Practicum A and Seminar in Moderate Disabilities: Grades PreK-2**

The second half of a full-time full-semester-long practicum, in an appropriate public-school setting, for students seeking an Initial license in Moderate Disabilities Grades 5-12. The practicum candidate's responsibilities mirror the breadth and depth of the responsibilities of a special education teacher including co-planning, co-teaching, small group and whole class instruction, individualized and specialized instruction, implementing and evaluating accommodations and modifications, supporting students' behavioral needs, assisting students with organization and study skills, and related activities as described in students' IEPs. The practicum candidate participates in IEP meetings and parent conferences as well as administers, under supervision of a qualified practitioner, individualized achievement tests to one student and prepares a comprehensive report of the findings. The practicum candidate must assume full responsibility, i.e. in the role of the special education teacher, for at least 150 hours.

Prerequisite: Successful completion of SPED 945A Practicum and Seminar in Moderate Disabilities: Grades 5-12.

**SPED 944A Practicum A and Seminar in Moderate Disabilities: Grades PreK-8**

The first half of a full-time full-semester-long practicum, in an appropriate public-school setting, for students seeking an Initial license in Moderate Disabilities Grades PreK-8. At least 75 hours of the full-semester practicum must be completed in an inclusive, general education setting. The remaining hours, minimum 225, may be completed in an inclusive, general education setting or in a separate or substantially separate setting for students with moderate disabilities. The practicum candidate's responsibilities mirror the breadth and depth of the responsibilities of a special education teacher including co-planning, co-teaching, small group and whole class instruction, individualized and specialized instruction, implementing and evaluating accommodations and modifications, supporting students' behavioral needs, assisting students with organization and study skills, and related activities as described in students' Individualized Education Programs (IEPs). The practicum candidate participates in IEP meetings and parent conferences as well as administers, under supervision of a qualified practitioner, individualized achievement tests to one student and prepares a comprehensive report of the findings. The practicum candidate must assume full responsibility, i.e. in the role of the special education teacher, for at least 150 hours. This course is graded as satisfactory/unsatisfactory. The practicum application must be submitted through the FSU Field Experience Office by October 1 for spring practicum and by February 15 for fall practicum.

Co-Requisite: SPED 944B Practicum B and Seminar in Moderate Disabilities: Grades PreK-8

Pre-Requisites: Completion of all special education concentration courses or enrollment in the final concentration course concurrently with the practicum. Only one course may be taken concurrently with the practicum course and must be approved by the program coordinator.

**SPED 944B Practicum A and Seminar in Moderate Disabilities: Grades PreK-8**

The second half of a full-time full-semester-long practicum, in an appropriate public-school setting, for students seeking an Initial license in Moderate Disabilities Grades PreK-8. The practicum candidate's responsibilities mirror the breadth and depth of the responsibilities of a special education teacher including co-planning, co-teaching, small group and whole class instruction, individualized and specialized instruction, implementing and evaluating accommodations and modifications, supporting students' behavioral needs, assisting students with organization and study skills, and related activities as described in students' Individualized Education Programs (IEPs). The practicum candidate participates in IEP meetings and parent conferences as well as administers, under supervision of a qualified practitioner, individualized achievement tests to one student and prepares a comprehensive report of the findings. The practicum candidate must assume full responsibility, i.e. in the role of the special education teacher, for at least 150 hours.

Pre-Requisite: Successful completion of SPED 944A Practicum and Seminar in Moderate Disabilities: Grades PreK-8

**SPED 945A Practicum A and Seminar in Moderate Disabilities: Grades 5-12**

The first half of a full-time full-semester-long practicum, in an appropriate public-school setting, for students seeking an Initial license in Moderate Disabilities Grades 5-12. At least 150 hours of the full-semester practicum must be completed in an inclusive, general education setting. The remaining hours, minimum 150, may be completed in an inclusive, general education setting or in a separate or substantially separate setting for students with moderate disabilities. The practicum candidate's responsibilities mirror the breadth and depth of the responsibilities of a special education teacher including co-planning, co-teaching, small group and whole class instruction, individualized and specialized instruction, implementing and evaluating accommodations and modifications, supporting students' behavioral needs, assisting students with organization and study skills, and related activities as described in students' Individualized Education Programs (IEPs). The practicum candidate participates in IEP meetings and parent conferences as well as administers, under supervision of a qualified practitioner, individualized achievement tests to one student and prepares a comprehensive report of the findings. The practicum candidate must assume full responsibility, i.e. in the role of the special education teacher, for at least 150 hours. This course is graded as satisfactory/unsatisfactory. The practicum application must be submitted through the FSU Field Experience Office by October 1 for spring practicum and by February 15 for fall practicum.

Co-Requisite: SPED 945B Practicum and Seminar in Moderate Disabilities: Grades 5-12

Pre-Requisites: Completion of all special education concentration courses or enrollment in the final concentration course concurrently with the practicum. Only one course may be taken concurrently with the practicum course and must be approved by the program coordinator.

**SPED 945B Practicum A and Seminar in Moderate Disabilities: Grades 5-12**

The second half of a full-time full-semester-long practicum, in an appropriate public-school setting, for students seeking an Initial license in Moderate Disabilities Grades 5-12. The practicum candidate's responsibilities mirror the breadth and depth of the responsibilities of a special education teacher including co-planning, co-teaching, small group and whole class instruction, individualized and specialized instruction, implementing and evaluating accommodations and modifications, supporting students' behavioral needs, assisting students with organization and study skills, and related activities as described in students' Individualized Education Program (IEPs). The practicum candidate participates in IEP meetings and parent conferences as well as administers, under supervision of a qualified practitioner, individualized achievement tests to one student and prepares a comprehensive report of the findings. The practicum candidate must assume full responsibility, i.e. in the role of the special education teacher, for at least 150 hours.

Prerequisite: Successful completion of SPED 945A Practicum and Seminar in Moderate Disabilities: Grades 5-12

**SPED 956 Curriculum Development and Modification**

This course is a utilization of various curriculum design models, such as Universal Design for Learning (UDL) and differentiation to plan instruction and address the needs of students with and without disabilities. Classroom structure and design, cooperative learning, peer tutoring, social skills coaching, Alternative and Augmentative Communication (AAC) approaches, and co-teaching models are explored. Emphasis is placed on collaborative planning and implementation of curriculum using Individualized Educational Programs (IEPs) and the Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks. This course requires a pre-practicum field-based experience of 25 hours in a public school or other approved educational setting.

Prerequisite(s): SPED 942 Developmental Patterns of Students with Moderate Disabilities and LTRC 930 Literacy Instruction for Diverse Learners. Open to matriculated graduate students or by permission of the special education program coordinator.

**SPED 960 Assessment Procedures**

This course is an observation, recording and analysis of student's academic performance through culturally sensitive formal and informal assessments. Diagnostic tests in areas of cognitive, academic, motor and social development, and approaches such as archival research, the development of a comprehensive case study, and portfolio assessment techniques are used. Collaboration with other professionals to develop a comprehensive assessment of the student's abilities is an integral part of the course. Translation of results into meaningful educational practice is stressed. This course includes a required pre-practicum field-based experience of 25 hours in a public school or other approved educational setting. The majority of time is spent working with an individual student.

Prerequisite: SPED 942 Developmental Patterns of Students with Moderate Disabilities. Open to matriculated graduate students or by permission of the special education program coordinator.

**SPED 964 Collaborative Educational Planning**

Preparation and review of Individual Educational Programs (IEPs) to comply with existing federal and state regulations. Topics include eligibility guidelines, inclusive service delivery models, and progress monitoring. Exemplary practices such as Response to Intervention, collaborative decision making, and inclusive practices and supports are addressed. Students examine appropriate resources and agencies, including those necessary to facilitate smooth transitions into and out of public school settings, including early intervention transition to preschool and high school transition to post-secondary experiences.

Prerequisite: SPED 960 Assessment Procedures. Open to matriculated graduate students or by permission of the special education program coordinator.

**SPED 973 Behavior and Classroom Management**

Designed to familiarize students with positive behavior supports, with emphasis on prevention and intervention strategies. Systematic data collection, objective reporting, and various methods of reinforcement to elicit appropriate behavior are examined and practiced. Many theories are explored with provisions for teachers to select options in order to meet the individual needs of students in small and large group settings. This course includes a required pre-practicum field-based experience of 25 hours in a public school or other approved educational setting. A portion of the hours should be spent in an inclusive general education setting.

Prerequisite: SPED 942 Developmental Patterns of Students with Moderate Disabilities.

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**STEM EDUCATION COURSES****STME 910 History of Systemic Racism in STEM Education**

Designed to guide STEM educators through an investigation of the history of systemic racism in the United States, with special attention to how it manifests in STEM disciplines, including the field of medicine. Participants explore the effects of structural racism on students and instructors as they engage in learning and teaching STEM content in both formal and informal educational environments. Implications for equitable student outcomes, including the impact of equity gaps on the community at large, are addressed.

**STEM 930 Inequity and Implicit Biases in STEM Education Practices**

An exploration of racism and biases in STEM. The experience of women and People of Color in STEM courses is different from that of white men as they historically were provided opportunities in STEM that have been denied to others. The difference in privileges makes it more challenging for women and People of Color to be seen as scientists, engineers, and mathematicians. Furthermore, studies have reported that White men are generally unaware of any impact of race or gender and the opportunities that this brings in STEM. In order to create systemic change, more opportunities to learn about the experience of women and People of Color in STEM are warranted. This course provides an opportunity for STEM educators to investigate racialized, biased practices in STEM and enact strategies to mitigate these practices in their classroom settings.

**STME 950 Applying an Anti-racist Lens to STEM Education**

An exploration of classroom policies, practices, and instructors' behaviors and the resulting contribution to the inequities women and People of Color experience in their STEM courses. These inequities contribute to the underrepresentation of women and People of Color in STEM disciplines such as engineering, computer science, and physical science. This course aims to help STEM educators investigate and remediate their classroom policies, practices, and behaviors to provide a more equitable experience for women and People of Color in STEM.

**STME 970 Applied Anti-Racist Pedagogy in STEM Education**

A capstone experience in which participants apply an anti-racist lens to develop a project in an area of their STEM practice, such as teaching, scholarship, advising, or service, and determine ways to assess the project's impact and effectiveness.

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## STUDIO ART COURSES

### ARTS 920 Advanced Drawing Studio

An advanced drawing workshop in which students are encouraged to develop themes and explore stylistic possibilities. Students work with still life, the figure and abstraction in pursuing a more individualistic connection with drawing. A variety of media and methods are utilized.

**Prerequisite:** ARTS 820 Life Drawing or permission of the instructor.

### ARTS 930 Advanced Painting Studio

An advanced painting workshop in which students are encouraged to develop themes and explore stylistic possibilities. Students address technical and conceptual issues in painting through work with still life, figure, and abstract images. Throughout the course students are expected to pursue an individualistic connection with painting.

**Prerequisites:** ARTS 820 Life Drawing and ARTS 822 Painting Studio or permission of the instructor.

### ARTS 990 Directed Study in Art

Course description varies with experience. Advisor approval required.

### ARTS 995 Graduate Seminar in Art

An advanced studio seminar for students in the Master of Education with a concentration in Art. As artists and teachers, students in this course continue to develop the body of work begun in the three studio art courses taken for this program. Seminar meetings incorporate traditional critiques and non-traditional approaches to examining works of art. Students are responsible for several short papers including an artist's statement, a narrative of the student's progress toward studio goals, and a reflective paper on the relationship between the student's studio experiences and his/her teaching practice. In addition, students prepare a final oral presentation on a curriculum initiative developed out of the seminar experiences. **Prerequisites:** Three (3) of the four (4) required studio art courses in the M.Ed. Art program. Open to students in M.Ed. with a concentration in Art only.

## DUAL-LEVEL ELECTIVES

*(Offered in conjunction with the corresponding undergraduate course)*

### ARTS 815 Comix and Graphic Novels

A study of the methods and techniques of sequential narration within the contemporary art forms of comix and graphic novels. The focus of this course is on the development of a personal vision in the crafting of illustrated stories. Students are exposed to a variety of media possibilities while exploring the dynamics of pacing, framing, and the interaction of text and image.

**Prerequisite:** Drawing I.

### ARTS 820 Life Drawing

An intensive study of the human figure and anatomy for artists. The course combines traditional life drawing from observation with exercises and assignments that emphasize the expressive interpretation of the human figure.

### ARTS 822 Painting Studio

An exploration of painting principles and techniques which is designed to strengthen the individual students' awareness of the history of the craft of painting while exposing the student to contemporary styles and ideas about visual art production. Students work toward developing their own styles and expressive objectives.

**Prerequisite:** ARTS 820 Life Drawing.

### ARTS 828 Intaglio

A study of intaglio printmaking techniques including drypoint, engraving, mezzotint, etching, aquatint, sugarlift, open bite, spit bite, and single and multiplate color printing. Students explore the creative possibilities of these techniques and develop a portfolio of color and black and white intaglio prints.

### ARTS 830 Digital Art

Designed for art and non-art students who are interested in designing artwork on the computer. Students learn two main programs, Painter and Photoshop, using the Mac computer for painting, drawing, watercolor and image collage on paper. Students are also exposed to mixed media and simple computer animation (formerly Computer Applications for Artists).

**Prerequisite:** One undergraduate drawing course.

**ARTS 834 Children's Book Illustration**

An introduction to the art of children's book illustration. Students work from existing, revised, or self-authored texts in the creation of narrative imagery. This course leads students through the artistic process, from initial character development and concept sketches, to dummy books, finished illustrations, and the placement of image and text. In classroom exercises, students are introduced to various wet and dry media including acrylic, colored pencil, and collage. Additional topics include the development of individual voice for picture book illustration and illustrating for a particular age group.

**ARTS 841 Ceramics**

An introduction to basic techniques in both hand building and wheel-working. Students begin to explore ways to make their work more personal by combining technical skills with form and concept. Emphasis is placed upon the student's ability to conceive three-dimensional forms and execute them skillfully in space. Various methods of glazing and firing are addressed as they relate to student work on specific projects.

**ARTS 844 Wheelworking**

An intensive introduction to working on the potter's wheel. Students learn the basic techniques of centering, opening and raising the walls of pots. Once familiar with these techniques, students learn how to create such functional objects as plates, bowls, mugs, teapots, and other lidded vessels. The wheel is also considered as a tool for making more sculptural works. While being exposed to a full range of historical and contemporary pottery, students develop a professional sense of material, form and design along with methods of glazing and firing.

Prerequisite: One course in ceramics, sculpture, or three-dimensional design.

**ARTS 849 Encaustic**

An introduction to the seductive ancient painting technique of encaustic, a process where pigmented wax is fused to a painting surface by the means of heat. This type of painting is recognized for its visually resplendent surface and rich color, and has seen a resurgence in the past decade. Students explore the process involved in creating the translucent, luminous, and textured surfaces that can only be achieved through encaustic. Various approaches to working in this versatile and exciting medium are offered, including working on various grounds, collage, incising, extreme impasto, and layering.

**ARTS 850 Study Tour: Art and Architecture**

A studio art or art history course taught through an extensive field trip or series of field trips, in addition to more traditional methods of teaching. Students gain direct experience of art and architecture in its historic, social, and geographic contexts. The topics/locations may vary from year to year and are announced in the course schedule bulletin. This course, in a different topic/location, may be repeated for credit.

**ARTS 851 Watercolor**

A course that focuses on strengthening the students' awareness of the history and techniques of watercolor and gouache while exposing students to contemporary styles and ideas about these media and aiding in the development of the students' conceptual, technical and observational skills. Students concentrate on the essential elements of these media and their materials, methods, and craft. Prerequisites: ARTS 820 Life Drawing and ARTS 822 Painting Studio or permission of the instructor.

**ARTS 856 Illustration**

An introduction to the practical application of drawing and painting in communication design and narrative. Students employ a variety of materials used in magazine, book and product illustrations, including pen and ink, watercolor and dry drawing media. Prerequisite: Permission of the instructor.

**ARTS 858 Landscape Painting**

An opportunity for the student to work within the rich and complex tradition of landscape painting, working from observation on location and in the studio. Students explore issues that affect the environment and look at artists who tackle the subject of the landscape from a critical perspective.

**ARTS 860 Lithography**

A study of stone and plate lithography techniques including pencil, crayon, lithography tusche, copier transfers, gum stop-outs, and two-color and three-color printing. Students explore the creative possibilities of the medium by developing a portfolio of color and black and white lithographs. Emphasis is on the study of line, tone, shade texture, and color. Proper etching procedures and printing methods are developed throughout the course.

**ARTS 862 Printmaking**

An exploration of various printmaking techniques, including screen printing, monotype, relief printing, drypoint, etching, and collagraph. Emphasis is on understanding the social and artistic concerns of producing imagery in multiples.

**ARTS 863 Woodcut**

A study of woodblock relief printing techniques including black and white, reduction, multi-block, jigsaw, monotype/monoprint, and mixed media manipulations. Students explore the creative possibilities of medium by developing a portfolio of color and black and white woodcuts.

**ARTS 865 Special Topics in Studio Art**

An exploration of a specific medium, genre, and/or topic in studio art intended to expose students to a broad range of artistic sensibilities. The course is designed to enhance the creative, conceptual, and professional development of students through an exploration of various modes of artistic practice. Students work toward developing a body of work with emphasis on content and technique. Regular critique helps students develop the critical language necessary to discuss their work on a variety of levels. Contemporary issues in the visual arts are addressed, particularly as they relate to students' work. This course, on a different topic, may be repeated for credit.

**ARTS 879 Topics in Advanced Printmaking**

An exploration of a specific genre or topic in the printmaking/book arts discipline. The course is designed to enhance the creative, conceptual, and professional development of printmaking majors. Students work toward developing a body of work with emphasis on content and technique. Regular critique helps students develop the critical language necessary to speak about their work on a variety of levels. Contemporary issues in printmaking are addressed, particularly as they relate to students' work. This course, on a different topic, may be repeated for credit.

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**TEACHING ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE****TESL 901 Language Structure: Phonetics and Morphology**

An examination of the implications of phonetics and morphology for teaching English Language Learners (ELL). Students examine the universal linguistic properties of sound systems and the basic features of the sound system of English, including the rules of word formation and aspects of morphological typology. Students also compare and contrast English with other languages and learn techniques to improve oral fluency and the impact of phonology and morphology awareness on reading success for ELLs.

**TESL 902 Language Structure: Syntax, Semantics, and Pragmatics**

An introduction to the ways in which words are organized to form sentences and how words and syntactic structure combine to yield meaning. The combining of sentences into conversations to express a range of attitudes and relationships is also covered. Students compare and contrast English with other languages while closely examining the connection between linguistic theory and classroom practice.

**TESL 910 Sheltered English Immersion**

An investigation of the structure of language and the factors that influence second language acquisition. This course considers the impact of culture and diversity on the teaching and learning of English Language Learners (ELLs), and provides teachers with instructional strategies necessary to effectively teach and assess ELLs at a variety of English proficiency levels and content areas. Instructional strategies and content area lessons and units related to World-Class Instructional Design and Assessment (WIDA) guidelines are developed and documented in a sample portfolio.

Prerequisites: Admission into the PBTL program or an M.Ed. in Curriculum & Instructional Technology, Literacy & Language, Special Education, or The Teaching of English as a Second Language.

**TESL 913 Current Issues in Second Language Acquisition**

A review of recent research and theories of second-language acquisition and the factors that lead to successful acquisition. The ways in which children cope with multi-linguistic systems and function in school are explored. Note: Completion of EDUC 998 Language Development before this course is recommended.

**TESL 920 Educational Technology to Support English Language Learners**

An exploration of the use of current technologies in teaching and learning in the second language and foreign language classroom. Attention is given to technologies that enhance collaboration, communication, and creativity among learners. Includes the design of lesson plans that incorporate technologies such as Wikis, Blogs, Podcasts, and other collaborative web-based tools for classrooms.

**TESL 928 English as a Second Language and Cross-Cultural Awareness**

Emphasis on methodology, materials and research related to the teaching of English as a second language and language acquisition. Attention is given to teaching situations that include students from diverse cultural and linguistic backgrounds.

**TESL 932 Sheltered Instruction for the Content Area**

Focuses on the development of content lessons and strategies in the teaching of sheltered subject matter. Student learning assessment is incorporated in course materials and projects.

**TESL 936 The Teaching of Second Language Skills**

An examination of the theories and sheltered principles for developing the language skills of listening, speaking, reading, and writing for second language learners. Special attention is given to second language learners in bilingual or multilingual classrooms. Language assessment instruments are studied. Individual and social variables that affect performance are treated. The incorporation of the Massachusetts Curriculum Frameworks into lesson plans is emphasized. Note: Students cannot receive credit for both this course and either TESL 918 The Teaching of English Language Skills or TESL 955 Advanced Instructional Techniques in the Teaching of Foreign/Second Language.

**TESL 943 The Role of the English as a Second Language Teacher: Collaboration, Co-teaching, and Advocacy**

An examination of the nature of the role of the English as a Second Language (ESL) teacher in today's schools. Specific instructional delivery models are studied and discussed such as co-instruction, co-planning, and co-assessment, team-teaching and collaboration in the light of 'best practices' research. Policy, leadership, and advocacy strategies are analyzed and developed, as well as tailored action plans for family and community involvement for all the grades and beyond graduation. World-Class Instructional Design & Assessment (WIDA) tools and guiding principles, proficiency level assessments, Can-Do descriptors, Key Uses of Academic Language, model performance indicators, ACCESS for ELLs 2.0, Massachusetts Department of Elementary & Secondary Education ESL Model Curriculum Units (MCUs) and ESL Collaboration Tool are foundational for this course.

**TESL 948 Teaching Reading and Writing in the English Immersion Classroom**

Explores reading theory and research and their application in shaping and developing literacy skills in English language learners. Balanced reading instruction, specific sheltered English literacy strategies that include vocabulary development, and measures for assessing literacy skills form the core of this course.

**TESL 949 Teaching Reading and Writing to English Learners with Pre-Practicum Grades PreK-12**

An in-depth study of the theories and best practices for developing reading and writing skills in the second language. Course participants develop understanding of: the differences in first and second language reading and writing, how to approach students not literate in their first language, the influence of first-language literacy skills in the second language classroom, and design of instruction to increase reading and writing skills. Also examined: understanding what makes reading difficult for second language learners and how to increase comprehension using content area texts; the impact of oral language on literacy development, and sociocultural influences on literacy, formal and informal measures for assessing skill development, approaches for developing writing skills, writing tools, writing processes, and vocabulary development. Students are required to complete 36-hour supervised pre-practicum field-based experience in grades PreK-12. Note: The application for the pre-practicum field experience must be submitted by October 1<sup>st</sup>.

**TESL 966 Seminar in Applied Linguistics**

An advanced seminar whose topics change from term to term. Topics in sociolinguistics, psycholinguistics, discourse analysis, and conversational analysis are considered.

**TESL 972 Culturally Responsive Teaching with Pre-Practicum Grades PreK-12**

An examination of cultural beliefs, values, and customs as they affect both the learning and the teaching of English Learners in the Pre-K-12 classroom. The impact of policy on the learning environment and implicit bias in teaching materials are studied. Students are required to complete a 36-hour supervised pre-practicum field-based experience in Grades PreK-12. Note: The application for the pre-practicum field experience must be submitted by February 15<sup>th</sup>.

**TESL 980A Teaching of English as a Second Language Grades PreK-6 Seminar and Practicum A**

For students seeking an Initial Teacher License in English as a Second Language (ESL), grades PreK-6. A full-time, supervised, field-based practicum experience in grades PreK-6 demonstrating mastery of the subject matter knowledge, spanning the first half of the semester. The candidate must also meet the Professional Standards for Teachers as described in the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education Regulations for Educator Licensure. Candidates participate in a bi-weekly seminar to collaborate with peers, analyze teaching strategies, refine classroom management practices, reflect on teaching practice, and enrich the overall practicum experience. NOTE: The submission of the practicum application is due by October 1<sup>st</sup>.

Co-requisite: TESL 980B Teaching of English as a Second Language Grades PreK-6 Seminar and Practicum B.

Prerequisites: Passing scores on all MTEL tests required for the license (MTEL 001 CLST, MTEL 054 ESL); successful completion of all requirements, including the comprehensive exam, in the Master of Education with a concentration in TESL, or permission of advisor, and successful completion of pre-practicum gateway assessments.

**TESL 980B Teaching of English as a Second Language Grades PreK-6 Seminar and Practicum B**

A continuation of TESL 980A Teaching of English as a Second Language Grades PreK-6 Seminar and Practicum A. In this full-time, supervised, field-based practicum experience in grades PreK-6, students demonstrate mastery of the subject matter knowledge, spanning the second half of the semester. The candidate must meet the Professional Standards for Teachers as described in the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education Regulations for Educator Licensure. Candidates participate in a bi-weekly seminar to collaborate with peers, analyze teaching strategies, refine classroom management practices, reflect on teaching practice, and enrich the overall practicum experience.

Prerequisite: TESL 980A Teaching of English as a Second Language Grades PreK-6 Seminar and Practicum A.

**TESL 981A Teaching of English as a Second Language Grades 5-12 Seminar and Practicum A**

For students seeking an Initial Teacher License in English as a Second Language (ESL), grades 5-12. A full-time, supervised, field-based experience in grades 5-12 demonstrating mastery of the subject matter knowledge, spanning the first half of the semester. The candidate must also meet the Professional Standards for Teachers as described in the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education Regulations for Educator Licensure. Candidates participate in a bi-weekly seminar to collaborate with peers, analyze teaching strategies, refine classroom management practices, reflect on teaching practice, and enrich the overall practicum experience. NOTE: The submission of the practicum application is due by October 1<sup>st</sup>.

Co-requisite: TESL 981B Teaching of English as a Second Language Grades 5-12 Seminar and Practicum B.

Prerequisites: Passing scores on all MTEL tests required for the license (MTEL 001 CLST, MTEL 054 ESL); successful completion of all requirements, including the comprehensive exam, in the Master of Education with a concentration in TESL, and successful completion of pre-practicum gateway assessments.

**TESL 981B Teaching of English as a Second Language Grades 5-12 Seminar and Practicum B**

A continuation of Teaching of English as a Second Language Grades 5-12 Seminar and Practicum A for students seeking an Initial Teacher License in English as a Second Language (ESL), grades 5-12. A full-time, supervised, field-based experience in grades 5-12 demonstrating mastery of the subject matter knowledge, spanning the second half of the semester. The candidate must also meet the Professional Standards for Teachers as described in the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education Regulations for Educator Licensure.

Prerequisite: Teaching of English as a Second Language Grades 5-12 Seminar and Practicum A.



# **Master of Arts**

## **concentration in Counseling Psychology - Licensure Track**

**Program Coordinator:**            **Dr. Deborah McMakin**

Program Advisors:                Dr. Deborah McMakin

Dr. Robert Donohue

Jodie Nierintz

The Master of Arts (M.A.) with a concentration in Counseling Psychology- Licensure track combines theoretical aspects with practical counseling skills to prepare the student to work effectively as a counselor in the mental health field. Foundational courses provide a strong foundation in psychology with emphasis on current theories, research, and applications of a variety of counseling approaches. Additionally, courses are designed to integrate theory with practice. A culminating internship experience must be arranged at a site affiliated with or approved by the Department of Psychology. This program fulfills all academic and internship requirements established to prepare students who qualify as a Licensed Mental Health Counselor (LMHC) by the State of Massachusetts Board of Registration of Allied Mental Health Professions of 2004.

### **Admission Requirements**

Admission to the program is a competitive process. Individuals possessing a baccalaureate degree in any major from a regionally accredited institution are eligible to apply for admission. Admissions are accepted only for enrollment for the fall semester. Students wishing to enroll in courses prior to matriculation to the program are restricted to enrollment in the following two courses and must have completed all undergraduate prerequisites:

CPSY 901 Theories of Psychotherapy and Counseling

CPSY 911 Orientation to Counseling Practice

Applicants are evaluated based on numerous factors including previous college course work; Graduate Record Examinations (GRE) scores or Miller Analogies score; letter of recommendation; and a personal statement. The personal statement describes the applicant's goals and reasons for applying to the graduate program.

1. Applicants must have earned a baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited college or university.
2. Applicants are required to possess an overall undergraduate grade point average of at least 2.80 on a 4.00 scale, with a 3.00 grade point average in undergraduate psychology courses.
3. Applicants must obtain a combined, total score of 290 on the verbal and quantitative portions of the Graduate Record Exam (GRE) or a minimum of 450 on the Miller Analogies Test (MAT). Applicants who possess a graduate degree and/or possess an overall undergraduate grade point average of at least 3.00 on a 4.00 scale are exempt from submitting GRE or MAT scores.
4. Applicants must submit a 500-word minimum personal statement indicating why they want to enter the field of mental health counseling.
5. Applicants must also submit three (3) letters of recommendation, which describe the recommender's relationship to the applicant and how the applicant responds to guidance and/or constructive feedback. One letter from a faculty member (who has taught the candidate at the collegiate level), one letter from a supervisor and a third letter from a supervisor or faculty member are required, if the candidate attended classes in the last five years. If it is not possible to obtain a letter from a faculty member, then three letters should be from employers or supervisors as described above. Personal letters of recommendation, including non-supervisory co-workers, family or friends will not be accepted.

6. The following undergraduate psychology courses must have been completed with the last ten years prior to matriculation: General (Introductory) Psychology, Psychology of Personality, Abnormal Psychology, and a course in Developmental Psychology (e.g., child, adolescent, adulthood and aging, lifespan). Students with a satisfactory score on an Introductory General Psychology and/or Developmental Psychology CLEP exams may waive respective undergraduate prerequisites.

The admissions committee will begin review of applicant materials upon receipt of all required documents. Applicants may be invited for a personal interview as part of the admissions requirement.

### **Professional Growth and Suitability Evaluation**

Due to the sensitive nature of the duties and responsibilities a mental health counselor must perform, applicants are also periodically screened and evaluated for their professional suitability and growth. The University and the faculty associated with the Counseling Psychology program assume responsibility for ensuring that graduates of the program possess both the academic knowledge and the personal attributes required of all persons who aspire to be licensed professional counselors.

Therefore, students are evaluated on suitability for continuation in the program throughout their program of study. At the conclusion of each course, the instructor evaluates students on both academic competence and professional suitability. These evaluations may be used for one of the following:

1. Admission criteria for the Counseling Psychology Program
2. Continuation of matriculated status in the program

Students will be evaluated in content courses and application courses (i.e. practicum and internship experiences). At any time, a matriculated student who is judged to be in question for continuation in the program will be apprised of the specific deficiencies noted by the Professional Review Committee and may be allowed to continue in the program on a probationary basis. A second continuation evaluation will be conducted. If the student is still deemed to be deficient, the student will be disallowed from continuation in the Counseling Psychology program. Students who complete the initial two-year sequence of courses but are terminated from the licensure program may apply to the non-licensure track.

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### **Program Requirements for Licensure Track**

Successful completion of the following courses will fulfill the requirements for Licensure as a Mental Health Counselor in the State of Massachusetts established by the Board of Allied Mental Health and Human Service Professions. Substitutions and transfer credit for the following courses are strongly discouraged and may invalidate the degree requirements relative to licensure.

#### *Counseling Theory:*

CPSY 901 Theories of Psychotherapy and Counseling

#### *Human Growth and Development:*

CPSY 964 Advanced Principles of Learning and Development

#### *Psychopathology:*

CPSY 925 Psychopathology

#### *Social Cultural Foundations:*

CPSY 945 Multicultural Counseling: Research, Theory, and Practice

#### *Helping Relationships:*

CPSY 911 Orientation to Counseling Practice

#### *Group Work:*

CPSY 910 Group Processing in Counseling

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*Special Treatment Issues (two required, one elective):*

CPSY 943 Family Counseling - required

CPSY 919 Problems of Substance Abuse

CPSY 938 The Arts and Mental Health

CPSY 966 Assessment, Diagnosis, and Treatment Planning - required

*Appraisal:*

CPSY 962 Theories and Methods of Psychological Testing

*Research and Evaluation:*

CPSY 956 Understanding Social Science Research

*Professional Orientation*

CPSY 921 Professional Issues in Counseling and Mental Health

*Clinical Field Experience Requirements:*

CPSY 975 Mental Health Counseling Practicum

Either

CPSY 998 Counseling Internship I and

CPSY 999 Counseling Internship II

Or

CPSY 997A Counseling Internship A and

CPSY 997B Counseling Internship B and

CPSY 997C Counseling Internship C

**Additional Information on Internship Clinical Experience**

The courses *CPSY 998 Counseling Internship I* and *CPSY 999 Counseling Internship II* are offered during consecutive fall and spring semesters. Each enrollment requires a minimum of 300 clock hours for a combined total of a minimum of 600 clock hours fulfills the internship requirement for licensure as a Mental Health Counselor in Massachusetts. Students should expect to devote a minimum of 20 clock hours per week at their internship site for two consecutive semesters.

For students who wish to begin their internship in the summer, three consecutive internship courses are required: *CPSY 997A Counseling Internship A*, *CPSY 997B Counseling Internship B*, and *CPSY 997C Counseling Internship C*. These internships consist of no less than 200 clock hours for a combined total of a minimum of 600 clock hours fulfills the internship requirement for licensure as a Mental Health Counselor in Massachusetts. Students electing to complete CPSY 997A, the summer internship, MUST enroll in CPSY 997B and CPSY 997C in subsequent fall and spring semesters. This sequence may be substituted for the CPSY 998/ CPSY 999 Internship sequence.

Students must obtain an Internship Application from the graduate office. A completed application for summer enrollment is due March 1<sup>st</sup>. For fall enrollment the application is due no later than May 1<sup>st</sup>. Placement is strongly encouraged at one of the University's affiliated sites. Students must interview at their internship site whether college affiliated or otherwise.

At the successful completion of each internship course, students must submit a completed Internship Report along with documentation of the site supervisor's credentials. This information is necessitated by State Licensure requirements. **All students must be favorably reviewed for continuation by the departmental Professional Review Committee prior to the enrollment in the internship. Unsuccessful completion of any internship course will result in termination from the program.**

In addition to the M.A., Concentration in Counseling Psychology- Licensure Track, the department also offers a M.A. in Counseling Psychology- Non- Licensure Track that does not lead to licensure as a LMHC. This degree is intended for those students who are seeking an academic master's degree or a second master's degree as prescribed by the Massachusetts Psychological Association (MPA) Licensing Board.

# Master of Arts

## concentration in Counseling Psychology Non-Licensure Track

**Program Coordinator:** Dr. Deborah McMakin

Program Advisors: Dr. Deborah McMakin

Dr. Robert Donohue

The Master of Arts, Concentration in Counseling Psychology - Non-Licensure track provides a theoretical understanding of the issues related to the helping profession. Students receive a strong foundation in psychology and in current theories, data, and research related to counseling approaches. Note: This 40-credit hour program does not prepare the student to work as a counselor or lead to licensure.

### Admission Requirements

Admission to the program is a competitive process. Individuals possessing a baccalaureate degree in any major from a regionally accredited institution are eligible to apply for admission. Admissions are accepted only for enrollment for the fall semester. Students wishing to enroll in courses prior to matriculation to the program are restricted to enrollment in the following two courses and must have completed all undergraduate prerequisites:

CPSY 901 Theories of Psychotherapy and Counseling

CPSY 911 Orientation to Counseling Practice

Applicants are evaluated based on numerous factors including previous college course work; Graduate Record Examinations (GRE) scores or Miller Analogies score; letter of recommendation; and a personal statement. The personal statement describes the applicant's goals and reasons for applying to the graduate program.

1. Applicants must have earned a baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited college or university.
2. Applicants are required to possess an overall undergraduate grade point average of at least 2.80 on a 4.00 scale, with a 3.00 grade point average in undergraduate psychology courses.
3. Applicants must obtain a combined, total score of 290 on the verbal and quantitative portions of the Graduate Record Exam (GRE) or a minimum of 450 on the Miller Analogies Test (MAT). Applicants who possess a graduate degree and/or possess an overall undergraduate grade point average of at least 3.00 on a 4.00 scale are exempt from submitting GRE or MAT scores.
4. Applicants must submit a 500-word minimum personal statement indicating why they want to enter the field of mental health counseling.
5. Applicants must also submit three (3) letters of recommendation, which describe the recommender's relationship to the applicant and how the applicant responds to guidance and/or constructive feedback. One letter from a faculty member (who has taught the candidate at the collegiate level), one letter from a supervisor and a third letter from a supervisor or faculty member are required, if the candidate attended classes in the last five years. If it is not possible to obtain a letter from a faculty member, then three letters should be from employers or supervisors as described above. Personal letters of recommendation, including non-supervisory co-workers, family or friends will not be accepted.
6. The following undergraduate psychology courses must have been completed with the last ten years prior to matriculation: General (Introductory) Psychology, Psychology of Personality, Abnormal Psychology, and a course in Developmental Psychology (e.g., child, adolescent, adulthood and aging, lifespan). Students with a satisfactory score on an Introductory General Psychology and/or Developmental Psychology CLEP exams may waive respective undergraduate prerequisites.

The admissions committee will begin review of applicant materials upon receipt of all required documents. Applicants may be invited for a personal interview as part of the admissions requirement.

### **Professional Growth and Suitability Evaluation**

Due to the sensitive nature of the duties and responsibilities a mental health counselor must perform, applicants are also periodically screened and evaluated for their professional suitability and growth. The University and the faculty associated with the Counseling Psychology program assume responsibility for ensuring that graduates of the program possess both the academic knowledge and the personal attributes required of all persons who aspire to be licensed professional counselors.

Therefore, students are evaluated on suitability for continuation in the program throughout their program of study. At the conclusion of each course, the instructor evaluates students on both academic competence and professional suitability. These evaluations may be used for one of the following:

1. Admission criteria for the Counseling Psychology Program
2. Continuation of matriculated status in the program

Students will be evaluated in content courses and application courses (i.e. practicum and internship experiences). At any time, a matriculated student who is judged to be in question for continuation in the program will be apprised of the specific deficiencies noted by the Professional Review Committee and may be allowed to continue in the program on a probationary basis. A second continuation evaluation will be conducted. If the student is still deemed to be deficient, the student will be disallowed from continuation in the Counseling Psychology program. Students who complete the initial two-year sequence of courses but are terminated from the licensure program may apply to the non-licensure track.

### **Program Requirements for Non-Licensure Track**

This program requires successful completion of 10 course-credits (40 semester hours). Completion of this degree does NOT lead to licensure as a Mental Health Counselor.

#### **Core Requirements (7):**

- CPSY 901 Theories of Psychotherapy and Counseling
- CPSY 911 Orientation to Counseling Practice
- CPSY 921 Professional Issues in Counseling and Mental Health
- CPSY 925 Psychopathology
- CPSY 945 Multicultural Counseling: Research, Theory, and Practice
- CPSY 964 Advanced Principles of Learning and Development
- CPSY 975 Mental Health Counseling Practicum

#### **Three (3) electives to be chosen from the following:**

- CPSY 910 Group Processing in Counseling
- CPSY 919 Problems of Substance Abuse
- CPSY 938 The Arts and Mental Health
- CPSY 943 Family Counseling
- CPSY 956 Understanding Social Science Research
- CPSY 962 Theories and Methods of Psychological Testing
- CPSY 979 Forensic Psychology

***Note:** Course substitutions may only be made with approval from the Program Coordinator and Advisor.*

# Master of Art concentration in English

**Coordinator:** Dr. Desmond McCarthy

**Advisors:** Dr. Desmond McCarthy

The Master of Art with a concentration in English with a concentration in English is taught by an engaged community of teacher-scholars committed to working closely with students to broaden their knowledge of British, American and world literatures, while affording them the opportunity for specialized, independent research, culminating in a capstone thesis. Studying literary language deepens understanding of knowledge production across the disciplines as well as an aesthetic appreciation for the power of literary forms. Aligned with FSU's institutional mission to promote diversity and global literacy, the M.A. program with a Concentration in English offers a rich engagement with the complexity of human experience informed by gender, sexuality, class, race, religion and ethnicity. Students in this program will have the opportunity to develop and refine their writing and communication skills, think critically and creatively, and use emerging information technologies in the pursuit of advanced research.

Current undergrad students enrolled in the Bachelor of Arts program with a major in English who are interested in pursuing this master's program as a 4+1 B.A./M.A. may apply for admission into the master's program no later than the end of their sophomore year. Students admitted into the 4+1 program will be permitted to enroll in two (2) graduate courses, as part of the master's program, during their senior year which will then be used as transfer coursework to complete the student's undergraduate degree requirements.

Students in this master's program will achieve the following goals and learning objectives:

GOALS	LEARNING OBJECTIVES
Formulate an advanced aesthetic and historical understanding of language and literature.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Evaluate the effectiveness of different kinds of discourse, including the specific effects of language, convention, structure, and rhetorical purpose, using appropriate terminology.</li><li>● Interrogate the conventions and influences of texts in relation to their historical times, places, and cultures, as well as to other texts.</li></ul>
Combine scholarly approaches to literature at an advanced level, including a variety of literary theories and methodologies.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Evaluate a range of critical theories and methodologies, placing them within a critical history of the discipline.</li><li>● Analyze texts by applying specific critical theories and methodologies.</li><li>● Produce theoretically informed projects that participate in current critical conversations and address significant and original research questions.</li></ul>
Utilize advanced written communication skills, including the ability to write lucid prose for a professional or academic audience.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Write lucid, persuasive essays for a professional or academic audience, which incorporate suitable evidence, including material derived from archival sources when applicable.</li><li>● Improve writing through revision and peer review for potential publication.</li></ul>
Utilize advanced oral communication skills for a professional or academic audience.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>● Refine listening and speaking skills through classroom discussion.</li><li>● Deliver clear, well-structured presentations suitable for a professional academic conference.</li></ul>

## **Learning Outcomes**

Having achieved goals and objectives listed above, students will be able to gain an enhanced professional and scholarly identity through a mastery of disciplinary knowledge. Their expertise will allow them to:

1. Articulate one's own critical and theoretical orientations within historical and contemporary scholarship;
2. Critique the aesthetic effects of specific literary forms with attention to the interplay between content and form;
3. Identify how theoretical and disciplinary issues differ between two or more specialized areas of literary study;
4. Critique the complexity of human experience informed by the representation of gender, sexuality, class, race, religion or ethnicity in literary texts;
5. Manage a large-scale independent thesis project from conception to defense;
6. Prepare for a range of professional pursuits or further graduate study.

## **Admission Requirements**

For candidates who have completed a bachelor's degree with a major in English:

1. The applicant must have earned a baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited college or university;
2. An overall undergraduate grade point average (GPA) of at least 2.70 on a 4.00 scale in a degree program acceptable to the admissions committee;
3. Must have a GPA of 3.00 or higher in the undergraduate major;
4. A 500-800 word statement of purpose;
5. Three letters of recommendation—at least two must be from English faculty members from Framingham State or the student's previous institution.

For current Framingham State University students with a major in English:

1. The applicant must have earned a baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited college or university;
2. An overall undergraduate grade point average (GPA) of at least 2.70 on a 4.00 scale in a degree program acceptable to the admissions committee;
3. Must have a GPA of 3.00 or higher in the major;
4. A 500-800 word statement of purpose;
5. Three letters of recommendation—at least two must be from English faculty members from Framingham State or the student's previous institution.

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## **Degree Requirements**

The degree requires a minimum of nine (9) courses, which are divided into two (2) core courses, and seven (7) English elective courses. Both 800-level and 900-level English graduate courses require additional readings, including works of literacy criticism, and extensive independent research. A part of the capstone course experience, students are required to pass an oral defense of their master's thesis for a panel of three (3) faculty members which includes the thesis faculty advisor, the Chair of the English Department, and one other member of the faculty chosen either by the master's candidate or by the Coordinator of this graduate program.

### **Core Courses (2)**

ENGL 901 Introduction to Graduate Study in English

#### **Capstone:**

ENGL 985 Master's Thesis in English

### **Concentration Courses (7)** *At least two (2) must be at the 900--level English courses*

ENGL 908 Composition Theory and Pedagogy

ENGL 920 Contemporary African-American Fiction

ENGL 924 Contemporary African Literature

ENGL 929 Salman Rushdie and the Postcolonial Novel

ENGL 930 Workshop in Children's Literature

ENGL 936 Transatlantic Modernism

ENGL 939 T.S. Eliot and Marianne Moore

ENGL 942 Children's Literature: Critical Approaches

ENGL 946 Young Adult Literature: Critical Approaches

ENGL 962 Harlem Renaissance Poetry

#### *Dual-Level Electives*

ENGL 8xx See course descriptions

**For those students pursuing the 4+1 program, the following describes the sequence of coursework to be completed as a full-time student in five (5) years:**

4 + 1 Completion Schedule	Fall	Spring
1 <sup>st</sup> year (UG)	ENGL 110 Expository Writing	ENGL 204 Literary Study
2 <sup>nd</sup> year (UG) (three literature courses)	One to two (1-2) literature classes	One to two (1-2) literature classes <i>Complete application to M.A. program.</i>
3 <sup>rd</sup> year (UG)	One (1) 300- or 400-level literature course	One (1) 300- or 400-level literature course
4 <sup>th</sup> year (UG)	One (1) graduate course	One graduate-level course and ENGL 422 Senior Seminar
Summer following completion of the B.A. in English	Summer	
	ENGL 901 Introduction to Graduate Study in English	
	Fall	Spring
5 <sup>th</sup> year (GR)	Three (3) graduate courses (at least one at the 900-level).	Two (2) graduate courses (at least one at the 900-level), and ENGL 985 Master's Thesis in English



# **Master of Business Administration Concentration in Biotechnology Operations**

**Program Coordinator:** Karen Druffel

**Program Advisor:** Cara Pina

The Master of Business Administration (M.B.A.) with a concentration in Biotechnology Operations is structured to equip mid-level managers and business professionals for leadership and management roles in the Biotechnology industry. Students learn to link theory with practice, and to recognize the ethical, legal, and multi-disciplinary demands of a business environment that is increasingly global, technology-oriented, and diverse. Framingham State University strives to offer a high quality, cost effective degree taught by seasoned business professionals in a hybrid environment.

After completing this program of study, students will be able to:

- Integrate theory, economics, and behavioral elements into the strategic goals of an organization.
- Make decisions using tactical, operational, and strategic business tools in a local and global environment.
- Explain the importance of the ethical and legal responsibility of business leadership.
- Utilize sound fiscal management practices in running a business.
- Demonstrate achievement of business objectives through effective communications.
- Apply quantitative methods to the analysis of real-world business situations.

## **Admission Requirements**

Admission to the MBA degree program is available to qualified individuals who hold an undergraduate degree in any major from an accredited college or university. Admission is based on professional work experience, performance in previous college/ university study, assessment of written essays, and appraisal of letters of recommendation.

Applicants are required to submit the following:

1. A completed Application for Graduate Admission form.
2. Official copies of undergraduate and graduate transcripts (if applicable). Students who have transcripts from outside the United States must have their transcripts evaluated by a Credit Evaluation service and translated into English.
3. Two letters of recommendation sent directly to Graduate Admissions at Framingham State University by the evaluators.
4. A current professional resume.
5. TOEFL scores (550 or higher) or IELTS scores (6.5 or higher) are required of applicants seeking admission from non-English speaking countries. The TOEFL or IELTS may be waived if the applicant has successfully completed at least two full academic years in a college/ university where the primary language of instruction is in English..
6. Two written essays. Each essay should be typed or printed, single spaced and limited to the length indicated. The essay questions are:
  - a. What would you like the MBA Admissions Committee to know about you? (450-word limit);

And EITHER

- b. What are your three most substantial achievements and why do you consider them to be substantial achievements? (700-word limit);

OR

- c. What experience in the military, public service, or business do you have? Explain how this experience equips you for the MBA program. (700-word limit).
7. Applicants may be required to interview with the Program Coordinator and/or Program Advisor after a review by the Graduate Admissions Committee.

Evaluation of applications for admission to the program will begin only when all the required documents have been received.

Applicants seeking admission for the fall should have a complete application on file no later than July 1<sup>st</sup>. Applications completed or received after the due date cannot be guaranteed timely matriculation.

The MBA Application for Admission is available on line or contact the Graduate Admissions Office at 508-626-4501.

MBA program advisors are available for consultation about the admission process, program requirements, and course selection. Individuals may make an appointment with an advisor by sending an email to [MBA@framingham.edu](mailto:MBA@framingham.edu).

Students applying for admission to this program may take undergraduate prerequisite courses, if required, prior to applying for admission to the program. Students must seek the advice of the MBA Program Advisor to determine if undergraduate prerequisites courses are required prior to applying for admission.

Students entering the MBA program are to be familiar with and have access to the Microsoft Office Suite (Word, Excel, Access, and PowerPoint) or equivalent software that support Microsoft Office Suite formats specified by and acceptable to the faculty.

Applications remaining incomplete for over one year will be considered inactive.

### **Additional MBA Admission criteria for International 3-year degree holders**

**From India:** Degree must be a Bachelor in Commerce or Business; otherwise a U.S. 4-year Baccalaureate degree equivalent is required.

1. Official Transcripts must be evaluated by a credential evaluation service and sent to Framingham State University.
2. The degree granting institution must be accredited from one of the following institutions:
  - National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC)
  - National Board of Accreditation (NBA)
  - All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE)
3. GPA Minimum must be equivalent to a United States 3.00 on a 4.00 scale.
4. Minimum score of 400 on the GMAT or a minimum score of 149 Verbal and 141 Quantitative on the GRE may be required.
5. Must have a grade of B (3.00) or better in each equivalent course from the following areas: Accounting, Economics, Management, and Statistics.
6. Minimum TOEFL score of 550 paper based (or 79-80 computer based), or IELTS scores (6.0 or higher).

### **Courses before Admission**

Students intending to apply for admission to the MBA program are not allowed to enroll in MBA Core or Elective courses prior to official admission into the program.

### **Transfer Credit**

Transfer credit for prior graduate coursework completed at another accredited college or university will be considered at the time of MBA admission based on course descriptions and documentation submitted with the student's application. Courses accepted in transfer must meet the academic criteria established by Framingham State University. A maximum of two (2) graduate courses may be accepted in transfer and applied toward the MBA degree program.

### **F-1 Student VISA Status:**

Students admitted into a graduate program as on an F-1 Student Visa are required to enroll full-time during the fall and spring semesters. Students in the M.B.A program are encouraged to also enroll full-time during the summer terms if the intent is to complete the program in 16 continuous months.

### **Time Limits for Program Completion**

All degree requirements must be met within eight (8) years from the completion date of the first MBA Core or Elective course.

### **Program Requirements**

Each Framingham State University course is offered for one (1) course-credit, which is equivalent to four (4) semester hours. The Biotechnology Operations concentration consists of 12-13 courses (or 48-52 semester hours), consisting of (8) Core courses, four (4) Concentration courses and one (1) Pre-Core requirement\*.

Prior to enrolling in Core or Concentration courses, students are required to demonstrate proficiency in the following areas: financial accounting, managerial accounting, economics, and statistics. Proficiency may be demonstrated in one of the following ways:

1. Appropriate undergraduate or graduate coursework completed with a grade of B (3.00) or better earned prior to the date of application to the MBA program. The Admissions Committee will evaluate each applicant's academic record to determine whether undergraduate proficiency requirements have been met.
2. Demonstrated proficiency through professional development and experience as evaluated in the applicant's professional resume.
3. *Students without appropriate prior academic coursework may demonstrate proficiency by taking a College-Level Examination Program (CLEP) test in an appropriate subject area, or may make a written request for a waiver.*

*\*Students who do not meet the proficiency requirements will be required to take the prerequisite course MGMT 9XX Analytical Tools for Managers in their first semester, bringing the course requirements to 13 total (52 semester hours).*

### **Biotechnology Operations Concentration:**

#### **Pre-Core Requirement\* (1)**

MGMT 905 Analytical Tools for Managers

*\*This may be waived for candidates who meet the proficiency requirements upon admission.*

#### **Core Requirements (7):**

ECON 905 Economic Analysis for Managers

ENTR 920 Intrapreneurship and Entrepreneurship

FINA 929 Financial Management

MGMT 911 Organization Behavior and Theory

MGMT 918 Managing in a Global Environment

MGMT 931 Quantitative Methods for Business Operations

MRKT 917 Strategic Marketing

#### **Concentration Requirements (4):**

BIOT 903 Drug Development: Process and Regulation

BIOT 966 Ethical Implications of Biotechnology

MGMT 921 Business Operations Management for Biotechnology

MGMT 945 Management and Leadership for Biotechnology

#### **Capstone (1):**

MGMT 989 Strategic Management

*NOTE: Registration for MGMT 989 Strategic Management requires the prior written permission of the Dean of Graduate Studies. Students will not be permitted to fulfill this requirement with a course transferred from another institution.*

# Master of Business Administration

## Concentration in Management

**Program Coordinator:** Karen Druffel

**Program Advisor:** Karen Druffel

The Master of Business Administration (M.B.A.) with a concentration in Management is structured to equip mid-level managers and business professionals for leadership and management roles. Students learn to link theory with practice, and to recognize the ethical, legal, and multi-disciplinary demands of a business environment that is increasingly global, technology-oriented, and diverse. Framingham State University strives to offer a high quality, cost effective degree taught by seasoned business professionals using a blended hybrid model. **This concentration is also offered completely online.**

After completing this program of study, students will be able to:

- Integrate theory, economics, and behavioral elements into the strategic goals of an organization;
- Make decisions using tactical, operational, and strategic business tools in a local and global environment;
- Explain the importance of the ethical and legal responsibility of business leadership;
- Utilize sound fiscal management practices in running a business;
- Demonstrate achievement of business objectives through effective communications;
- Apply quantitative methods to the analysis of real-world business situations.

### Admission Requirements

Admission to the MBA degree program is available to qualified individuals who hold an undergraduate degree in any major from an accredited college or university. Admission is based on professional work experience, performance in previous college/ university study, assessment of written essays, and appraisal of letters of recommendation.

Applicants are required to submit the following:

1. A completed Application for Graduate Admission form.
2. Official copies of undergraduate and graduate transcripts (if applicable). Students who have transcripts from outside the United States must have their transcripts evaluated by a Credit Evaluation service and translated into English.
3. Two letters of recommendation sent directly to Graduate Admissions at Framingham State University by the evaluators.
4. A current professional resume.
5. TOEFL scores (550 or higher) or IELTS scores (6.5 or higher) are required of applicants seeking admission from non-English speaking countries. The TOEFL or IELTS may be waived if the applicant has successfully completed at least two full academic years in a college/ university where the primary language of instruction is in English..
6. Two written essays. Each essay should be typed or printed, single spaced and limited to the length indicated. The essay questions are:
  - a. What would you like the MBA Admissions Committee to know about you? (450-word limit);

And EITHER

- b. What are your three most substantial achievements and why do you consider them to be substantial achievements? (700-word limit);

OR

- c. What experience in the military, public service, or business do you have? Explain how this experience equips you for the MBA program. (700-word limit).
7. Applicants may be required to interview with the Program Coordinator and/or Program Advisor after a review by the Graduate Admissions Committee.

Evaluation of applications for admission to the program will begin only when all the required documents have been received.

Applicants seeking admission for the fall should have a complete application on file no later than July 1<sup>st</sup>. Applications completed or received after the due date cannot be guaranteed timely matriculation.

The MBA Application for Admission is available on line or contact the Graduate Admissions Office at 508-626-4501.

MBA program advisors are available for consultation about the admission process, program requirements, and course selection. Individuals may make an appointment with an advisor by sending an email to [MBA@framingham.edu](mailto:MBA@framingham.edu).

Students applying for admission to this program may take undergraduate prerequisite courses, if required, prior to applying for admission to the program. Students must seek the advice of the MBA Program Advisor to determine if undergraduate prerequisites courses are required prior to applying for admission.

Students entering the MBA program are to be familiar with and have access to the Microsoft Office Suite (Word, Excel, Access, and PowerPoint) or equivalent software that support Microsoft Office Suite formats specified by and acceptable to the faculty.

Applications remaining incomplete for over one year will be considered inactive.

### **Additional MBA Admission criteria for International 3-year degree holders**

**From India:** Degree must be a Bachelor in Commerce or Business; otherwise a U.S. 4-year Baccalaureate degree equivalent is required.

1. Official Transcripts must be evaluated by a credential evaluation service and sent to Framingham State University.
2. The degree granting institution must be accredited from one of the following institutions:
  - National Assessment and Accreditation Council (NAAC)
  - National Board of Accreditation (NBA)
  - All India Council for Technical Education (AICTE)
3. GPA Minimum must be equivalent to a United States 3.00 on a 4.00 scale.
4. Minimum score of 400 on the GMAT or a minimum score of 149 Verbal and 141 Quantitative on the GRE may be required.
5. Must have a grade of B (3.00) or better in each equivalent course from the following areas: Accounting, Economics, Management, and Statistics.
6. Minimum TOEFL score of 550 paper based (or 79-80 computer based), or IELTS scores (6.0 or higher).

### **Courses before Admission**

Students intending to apply for admission to the MBA program are not allowed to enroll in MBA Core or Elective courses prior to official admission into the program.

### **Transfer Credit**

Transfer credit for prior graduate coursework completed at another accredited college or university will be considered at the time of MBA admission based on course descriptions and documentation submitted with the student's application. Courses accepted in transfer must meet the academic criteria established by Framingham State University. A maximum of two (2) graduate courses may be accepted in transfer and applied toward the MBA degree program. Students will be not be permitted to fulfill MGMT 989 Strategic Management with a course transferred from another institution.

### **F-1 Student VISA Status:**

Students admitted into a graduate program as on an F-1 Student Visa are required to enroll full-time during the fall and spring semesters. Students in the M.B.A program are encouraged to also enroll full-time during the summer terms if the intent is to complete the program in 16 continuous months.

### **Time Limits for Program Completion**

All degree requirements must be met within eight (8) years from the completion date of the first MBA Core or Elective course.

### **Program Requirements**

Each Framingham State University course is offered for one (1) course-credit, which is equivalent to four (4) semester hours. The Management concentration consists of 12-13 courses (or 48-52 semester hours), consisting of (8) Core courses, four (4) Concentration courses and one (1) Pre-Core requirement\*.

Prior to enrolling in Core or Concentration courses, students are required to demonstrate proficiency in the following areas: financial accounting, managerial accounting, economics, and statistics.

Proficiency may be demonstrated in one of the following ways:

- Appropriate undergraduate or graduate coursework completed with a grade of B (3.00) or better earned prior to the date of application to the MBA program. The Admissions Committee will evaluate each applicant's academic record to determine whether undergraduate-proficiency requirements have been met.
- Demonstrated proficiency through professional development and experience as evaluated in the applicant's professional resume.
- *Students without appropriate prior academic coursework may demonstrate proficiency by taking a College-Level Examination Program (CLEP) test in an appropriate subject area, or may make a written request for a waiver.*

*\*Students who do not meet the proficiency requirements will also be required to take the prerequisite course MGMT 905 Analytical Tools for Managers in their first semester, bringing the course requirements to 13 total (52 semester hours).*

### **Management Concentration:**

#### **Pre-Core Requirement\* (1)**

MGMT 905 Analytical Tools for Managers

*\*This may be waived for candidates who meet the proficiency requirements upon admission.*

#### **Core Requirements (7):**

ECON 905 Economic Analysis for Managers  
ENTR 920 Intrapreneurship and Entrepreneurship  
FINA 929 Financial Management  
MGMT 911 Organization Behavior and Theory  
MGMT 931 Quantitative Methods for Business and Operations  
MGMT 940 Business Ethics and Legal Environment  
MRKT 917 Strategic Marketing

#### **Concentration Requirements (4):**

BUIS 933 Enterprise Information Technology  
MGMT 918 Managing in a Global Environment  
MGMT 971 Communication and Negotiation  
MGMT 978 Leadership and Change

#### **Capstone:**

MGMT 989 Strategic Management

*NOTE: Registration for MGMT 989 Strategic Management requires the prior written permission of the Dean of Graduate Studies.*

# **Master of Education**

## **concentration in Early Childhood Education**

### **Specialization in Initial Licensure**

**Program Coordinator:** Stavroula Gurguliatos

**Program Advisor:** Stavroula Gurguliatos

Master of Education (M.Ed.) with a concentration in Early Childhood Education and Specialization in Initial Licensure prepares students to meet the academic Subject Matter Knowledge requirements, social, and emotional needs of PreK-2 students. Our program enhances our completers' ability to meet the Professional Standards for Teachers, interact effectively with the complexities of schooling, respond to developmental differences in learners, employ various materials and instructional methods, and be inclusive, effective, and innovative leaders in Grades PreK-2 settings.

#### **Admission Requirements**

1. Have earned a baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited college or university.
2. Have a minimum undergraduate quality point average of 3.00 on a 4.00 scale.
3. Submit evidence of passing scores in the Communication and Literacy Massachusetts Test for Educator Licensure (MTEL).

#### **Program Requirements**

The program requires successful completion of twelve (12) courses, including practicum and Field Experiences. A professional portfolio must be completed and presented prior to the required oral comprehensive examination as part of the degree program. The oral comprehensive exam is taken during the student's final semester of study in the degree program (including practicum) or the semester immediately following the final semester in which all coursework has been completed.

**Program Prerequisite:** Passing scores in the Communication and Literacy Massachusetts Test for Educator Licensure (MTEL).

#### **Education Core Courses (4)**

EDIL 910 Education Foundations  
EDIL 920 Learning and Human Development  
EDUC 970 Research and Evaluation  
TESL 910 Sheltered English Immersion

#### **Curriculum Specific Courses (7):**

ECED 921 Foundations of Literacy Development & Assessment Practices in Grades  
PreK-2 with Field Experience I  
ECED 931 Social & Emotional Learning & Inclusive Practices - Students with  
Disabilities Grades PreK-2 w/Field Experience I  
ECED 942 English Language Arts, Art, Social Studies, Culturally Responsive Teaching  
in Grades PreK-2 w/ Field Experience II  
ECED 953M Curriculum, Instruction, Assessment Practices in Teaching Mathematics  
Grades PreK-2 with Field Experience III  
ECED 953S Curriculum, Instruction, Assessment Practices in Teaching Science Grades  
PreK-2 with Field Experience III  
ECED 980A Early Childhood Education Professional Practicum A  
ECED 980B Early Childhood Education Professional Practicum B

### **Elective Courses (1)**

Students select one (1) elective courses to complete their program of study.

ECED 911 Play and Observation

SPED 956 Curriculum Development and Modification

SPED 963 Behavior and Classroom Management



# **Master of Education**

## **concentration in Early Childhood Education**

**Program Coordinator:** Stavroula Gurguliatos

**Program Advisor:** Stavroula Gurguliatos

The Master of Education (M.Ed.) with a concentration in Early Childhood Education is a Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education approved program for advancing the Early Childhood: Teacher of Students With and Without Disabilities (PreK-2) Initial License to the Professional level. The program also provides advanced studies appropriate for teachers who hold Early Education and Care (EEC)-formerly Office of Child Care Service (OCCS) - certification as Lead Teacher, Director I and Director II.

### **Admission Requirements**

1. The applicant must have earned a baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited college or university.
2. The applicant must hold a Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education license in Early Childhood Education at the Initial level (or above) or hold Massachusetts Department of Early Education and Care (formerly OCCS) certification as Lead Teacher, Director I and/or Director II and have one year's teaching experience in early childhood education.
3. The applicant must have a minimum undergraduate quality point average of 3.00 on a 4.00 scale.

### **Program Requirements**

The program requires successful completion of ten (10) courses, which include three (3) core courses, three (3) required courses, and four (4) elective courses. A professional portfolio is completed as part of the degree program. An oral comprehensive examination is required of all students as the culminating experience.

**Program Prerequisite:** Upper level undergraduate or graduate level/literacy course within the past 5 years or LTRC 907 Literacy Instruction.

### **Education Core Courses (3)**

EDUC 991 Philosophy of Education and Teaching Practice

EDUC 998 Language Developments and Communication

EDUC 999 Research and Evaluation (recommended after completion of three Content/Concentration courses)

### **Concentration Courses (3)**

CPSY 964 Advanced Principles of Learning and Development

LTRC 901 Integrating the Language Arts

SPED 962 Developmental Patterns of Children with Moderate Disabilities

## **Elective Courses (4)**

Students select four (4) elective courses to complete their program of study. To satisfy the elective requirements, students must meet the requirements listed in Group A and Group B.

### **Group A: Select two (2) elective courses from the following:**

ECED 911 Play and Observation

ECED 912 Advanced Early Childhood Curriculum

SPED 956 Curriculum Development and Modification

SPED 963 Behavior and Classroom Management

### **Group B: Select two (2) elective courses from the following:**

- One additional course from Group A (above).
- ENGL 930 Workshop in Children's Literature.
- One or two graduate-level courses in mathematics, English, literacy, history, economics, geography, biology, chemistry, physics and earth sciences, and/or art. Consultation with the advisory is strongly recommended when selecting content area courses from this list.
- One or two graduate-level courses in other areas appropriate to the student's professional goals (e.g., special education, English as a Second Language (ESL), business, and supervision). Written advisor approval is required for courses selected for this option.

# Master of Education

## concentration in Educational Technology

**Program Coordinators:** Steven Courchesne  
Robin Robinson

**Program Advisors:** Robin Robinson

The Master of Education (M.Ed.) with a concentration in Educational Technology emphasizes the integration of education technology instruction and training across learning environments. Students use research-based principles and practices to explore, evaluate, and design instruction using education technology. The program is designed for professionals working in an educational capacity, including K-12 teachers, post-secondary instructors, instructional technologists, and trainers, among others. **All courses are offered online.**

*Note: This program is not an approved program for education licensure in Massachusetts nor does it provide Instructional Technology licensure.*

### Admission Requirements

1. Applicants must have earned a baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited college or university and must submit an official transcript from each college or university attended as an undergraduate student.
2. The applicant must have a minimum undergraduate quality point average of 2.80 on a 4.00 scale.
3. The applicant must have a formal access to a classroom, corporate training environment or another learning environment.

### Application Deadline

Applicants are accepted on a rolling basis for the fall and spring semesters. The completed application should be on file by July 1<sup>st</sup> for fall and December 1<sup>st</sup> for spring. Applications received after this date cannot be guaranteed timely matriculation. The Admissions Committee will begin a review of an application only upon receipt of official copies of all required documents.

### Program Outcomes:

- Design and deliver learning experiences that effectively integrate educational technology.
- Evaluate current and emerging instructional technologies to (a) identify potential uses and applications for teaching, learning, assessment, and research; (b) identify and resolve accessibility issues; and (c) examine potential ethical issues and legal concerns.
- Incorporate research-based and proven practices in the design and delivery of technology-infused learning experiences.

### Program Requirements

The degree requires successful completion of ten (10) courses, which include three (3) core courses, seven (7) concentration courses. Successful completion of an online written comprehensive examination and the submission of an electronic portfolio to the program advisor two weeks prior to the comprehensive exam are required. The examination is taken in the last semester of study.

#### Education Core Courses (3)

EDUC 991 Philosophy of Education and Teaching Practice

EDUC 998 Language Development and Communication

EDUC 999 Research and Evaluation (*recommended after completion of three  
Content/Concentration courses*)

## **Concentration Courses (6)**

INST 941 Internet for 21<sup>st</sup> Century Teaching and Learning

INST 943 Impact of Technology on Education

### **Choose One (1) Instructional Course:**

EDUC 927 Advanced Teaching Strategies

EDUC 940 Adult Development and Learning

### **Choose Three (3) concentration Electives:**

INST 951 Mathematics Instruction with Technology

INST 955 Discipline-Specific Topics in Instructional Technology

INST 968 Introduction to Assistive Technology

INST 954 Technology Infrastructure Management

INST 959 Systemic Change: Curriculum, Instructional Technology, and Professional  
Development

TESL 920 Technology in the Second Language Classroom

### **Additional Required Open Elective Course (1):**

Select one (1) additional graduate course as an elective either from the list of concentration course above or with the approval from the program advisor a graduate-level content course from an academic discipline (art, English, history, geography, mathematics, world languages, etc.)

Note: Any transfer course to fulfill the Required Open Elective will only be considered during the application process.

# **Master of Education**

## **concentration in Elementary Education**

### **Specialization in Initial Licensure**

**Program Coordinator:** Stavroula Gurguliatos

**Program Advisor:** Stavroula Gurguliatos

The Master of Education (M.Ed.) with a Concentration in Elementary Education and Specialization in Initial Licensure prepares students to meet the academic Subject Matter Knowledge requirements, social, and emotional needs of Grades 1-6 students. Our program enhances our students' ability to meet the Professional Standards for Teachers, interact effectively with the complexities of schooling, respond to developmental differences in learners, employ various materials and instructional methods, and be inclusive, effective, and innovative leaders in Grades 1-6 settings.

#### **Admission Requirements**

1. Have earned a baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited college or university.
2. Have a minimum undergraduate quality point average of 3.00 on a 4.00 scale.
3. Submit evidence of passing scores in the Communication and Literacy Massachusetts Test for Educator Licensure (MTEL).

#### **Program Requirements**

The program requires successful completion of twelve (12) courses, including practicum and Field Experiences. A professional portfolio must be completed and presented prior to the required oral comprehensive examination as part of the degree program. The oral comprehensive exam is taken during the student's final semester of study in the degree program (including practicum) or the semester immediately following the final semester in which all coursework has been completed.

**Program Prerequisite:** Passing scores in the Communication and Literacy Massachusetts Test for Educator Licensure (MTEL).

#### **Education Core Courses (5)**

EDIL 910 Education Foundations  
EDIL 920 Learning and Human Development  
EDUC 970 Research and Evaluation  
STEM 962 A World Connected: Interdependence and System in Science  
TESL 910 Sheltered English Immersion

#### **Curriculum Specific Courses (7):**

ELED 921 Foundations of Literacy Development and Assessment Practices in Grades 1-6 with Field Experience I  
ELED 931 Social and Emotional Learning and Inclusive Practices for Students with Disabilities in Grades 1-6 with Field Experience I  
ELED 942 English Language Arts, Art, Social Studies, and Culturally Responsive Teaching in Grades 1-6 with Field Experience II  
ELED 953M Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment Practices Teaching Mathematics in Grades 1-6 with Field Experience III  
ELED 953S Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment Practices in Teaching Science in Grades 1-6 with Field Experience III  
ELED 980A Elementary Education Professional Practicum A  
ELED 980B Elementary Education Professional Practicum B

# **Master of Education**

## **concentration in Elementary Education**

**Program Coordinator:** Sandra Shaw

**Program Advisor:** Sandra Shaw

The Master of Education (M.Ed.) with a concentration in Elementary Education prepares teachers who hold a Massachusetts Initial License in elementary education to move to the Professional License. The program prepares students with the content knowledge and strategies appropriate for teaching in elementary classrooms in the 21<sup>st</sup> century.

### **Admission Requirements**

1. The applicant must have earned a baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited college or university.
2. The applicant must have an Initial Teaching License in Elementary Education.
3. The applicant must have a minimum undergraduate quality point average of 3.00 on a 4.00 scale.

### **Program Requirements**

The degree requires successful completion of ten (10) courses, which are divided into four (4) core courses, four (4) content courses, and two (2) curriculum specific courses and an oral comprehensive examination. The professional portfolio, based upon the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education Professional Standards for Licensure, must be completed and submitted to the advisory of the Elementary Education program at least one week prior to the oral comprehensive examination. The examination is taken in the last semester of study.

**Prerequisite:** Upper level undergraduate or graduate level/literacy course within the past 5 years or LTRC 907 Literacy Instruction.

### **Education Core Courses (4)**

EDUC 991 Philosophy of Education and Teaching Practice

EDUC 998 Language Developments and Communication

EDUC 999 Research and Evaluation (recommended after completion of three  
Content/Concentration courses)

LTRC 901 Integrating the Language Arts

### **Content Courses (4)**

Four (4) elective graduate content courses approved by the program advisor. Choose from the following academic disciplines: Art, Biology, Chemistry, Earth System Science, English, English as a Second Language, World Languages, Geography, History, Literacy, Mathematics, Physics, Political Science, or any courses offered under the area of STEM.

### **Curriculum Specific Courses (2) – Choose Two:**

EDUC 927 Advanced Teaching Strategies

ENGL 930 Workshop in Children's Literature

INST 941 Internet for 21<sup>st</sup> Century Teaching and Learning

INST 943 Impact of Technology on Education

INST 951 Mathematics Instruction with Technology

SPED 956 Curriculum Development and Modification

SPED 962 Developmental Patterns of Children with Moderate Disabilities

# Master of Education

## concentration in Literacy and Language

**Program Coordinator:** Dr. Laura Hudock

**Program Advisor:** Dr. Laura Hudock

The Master of Education (M.Ed.) with a concentration in Literacy and Language, plus a supervised practicum, enables candidates to meet the requirements for Initial Licensure in Massachusetts as a Specialist Teacher: Reading. Licensure qualifies the recipient to work in the area of reading and language arts with students at all age and grade levels.

The Master of Education with a concentration in Literacy and Language also enables candidates holding an Initial License in Elementary, Early Childhood, English, or Teacher of Students with Moderate Disabilities to meet the requirements for Professional Licensure in Elementary, Early Childhood Education, English, or Teacher of Students with Moderate Disabilities. The additional supervised practicum is not required for candidates seeking Professional License in these three fields.

The licensure program also conforms to the Standards for Reading Professionals as developed by the International Literacy Association. These standards were approved by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Educator Preparation (CAEP).

### Admission Requirements

1. The applicant must have earned a baccalaureate degree earned from a regionally accredited college or university.
2. The applicant must have at least an Initial Teaching License.
3. The applicant must have an undergraduate quality point average of at least 3.00 on a 4.00 scale.

### Program Requirements

This program requires successful completion of ten (10) courses and an oral comprehensive examination. A professional portfolio, completed as part of the degree program and based upon the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education Professional Standards for Licensure, must be completed and submitted to the advisor of the Literacy and Language program four weeks prior to the oral comprehensive exam. Candidates seeking the Initial Licensure as a Specialist Teacher: Reading must also complete a supervised practicum.

### Education Core Courses (3)

EDUC 991 Philosophy of Education and Teaching Practice

EDUC 998 Language Developments and Communication

EDUC 999 Research and Evaluation (*recommended after completion of three Content/Concentration courses*)\*

### Concentration Courses (6)

LTRC 900 Research and Practice in Reading

LTRC 901 Integrating the Language Arts (*suggested first course in concentration*)

LTRC 902 Reading and Writing in the Content Areas

LTRC 903 Literacy Assessment, Analysis, and Intervention

LTRC 910 Leadership and Consultation in the Language Arts

LTRC 926 Discourses of Writing and Writing Instruction

### Elective Course (1)

ENGL 930 Workshop in Children's Literature

*\*Candidates for the Initial Licensure as a Specialist Teacher: Reading must complete a Literacy and Language research project.*

The above 10-course program in Literacy and Language enables candidates holding an Initial License in Elementary, Early Childhood, English, or Teacher of Students with Moderate Disabilities to meet the requirements for Professional Licensure in Elementary Education, Early Childhood Education, English, or Teacher of Students with Moderate Disabilities. The additional supervised practicum (below) is not required for candidates seeking Professional License in these four fields.

**Required Practicum for students seeking an Initial Specialist Teacher Reading License**

LTRC 952 Practicum in Literacy and Language with Seminar

**OR**

LTRC 988 Practicum in Reading Enrichment with Seminar

Per the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE), candidates seeking an Initial Licensure as a Specialist Teacher: Reading must obtain the Sheltered English Instruction (SEI) endorsement in one of the following ways:

1. Complete an undergraduate program that includes an approved Sheltered English Immersion course.
2. Complete the DESE approved Sheltered English Immersion course through a school district.
3. Complete the DESE approved Framingham State University course, TESL 910 Sheltered English Immersion.
4. Complete a DESES approved Sheltered English Immersion course through another licensure program.



# Master of Education

## concentration in Mathematics

**Program Coordinator:** Dr. Julie Levandosky

**Program Advisor:** Dr. Julie Levandosky

The Master of Education (M.Ed.) with a concentration in Mathematics is designed for students who are interested in furthering their knowledge of mathematics at the graduate level, without regard to employment as teachers, as well as those who wish to meet state or district requirements for teacher licensure. The program leads to the Professional License (Grades 5-8 or Grades 8-12).

### Admission Requirements

1. The applicant must have earned a baccalaureate degree earned from a regionally accredited college or university.
2. An overall undergraduate grade point average (GPA) of at least 2.80 on a 4.00 scale or GPA of 2.80 for all courses completed in the last two years of the student's full-time undergraduate program.
3. Mathematics preparation comparable to Framingham State University's mathematics major including Calculus I, II, and III, Linear Algebra and Applications, Number Theory, and one (1) computer science course.
4. A Massachusetts Initial License in Mathematics. This requirement will be waived for persons who are not using this degree in order to obtain teacher licensure in the State of Massachusetts.

Students whose academic background does not meet the requirements under item 2 above may still qualify for admission. In these cases, students would be asked to make up course deficiencies as part of their graduate program, in addition to the core and concentration courses.

### Program Requirements

The program requires successful completion of ten (10) courses, which include three (3) core courses, and seven (7) concentration courses. A comprehensive examination is required as the student's culminating experience.

#### Education Core Courses (3):

EDUC 991 Philosophy of Education and Teaching Practice

EDUC 998 Language Developments and Communication

EDUC 999 Research and Evaluation (*recommended after completion of three  
Content/Concentration courses*)

#### Concentration Courses (7):

MATH 901 Foundations of Mathematics

MATH 999 Reading and Research in Higher Mathematics

**AND**

Five (5) additional courses approved in writing by the student's advisor.

The student is expected to develop competencies in the following areas: analysis, algebra, geometry, discrete mathematics, and probability and statistics.

# **Master of Education**

## **concentration in Nutrition Education**

### **Specialization in Nutrition Education Specialist**

**(Online Program)**

**Program Coordinator:** Susan J. Massad

**Program Advisor:** Susan J. Massad

The Master of Education (M.Ed.) with a concentration in Nutrition Education, specialization in Nutrition Education Specialist (NES) combines the advanced study of education, applied nutrition and nutrition education with the opportunity for students to focus their interests in elective courses of their choice. The specialization in Nutrition Education Specialist is designed for:

- Health Educators/counselors in school, healthcare, community programs, and other organizations
- Nutrition professionals with or without certification as a Registered Dietitian
- Biology, consumer science, health, and physical education teachers
- School Nutrition Directors

Program Learning Outcomes Masters in Education in Nutrition Education Nutrition Education Specialist:

- Develop effective nutrition education curriculum for a variety of audiences.
- Integrate current science-based nutrition issues into food, nutrition, and wellness policies.
- Design and interpret nutrition education research.
- Select and utilize appropriate technology for nutrition education.

## **ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

1. Applicants must have earned a baccalaureate degree in a related field from a regionally-accredited college or university and must submit an official transcript from each college or university attended as an undergraduate or graduate student. Bachelor's degree in a related field includes: food and nutrition, hospitality, education (physical education, health, consumer sciences, biology), and nursing. Other degrees will be considered in the application process.
2. Students who have not completed prerequisite courses in their undergraduate curriculum are encouraged to apply. The program advisor will create a plan of study to integrate prerequisite courses and graduate course requirements.
3. Applicants are required to possess an overall grade point average (GPA) of at least 3.00 on a 4.00 scale including acceptable grades in science courses.
4. Applicants who do not fulfill the GPA requirement but have a minimum quality point average of 2.80 on a 4.00 scale will be considered for admission after they complete two prerequisite courses at Framingham State University. These courses must have prior approval and must be completed with a grade of B (3.00) or better.
5. Applicants must provide two letters of recommendation from professors, supervisors, and/or colleagues, submitted on the Framingham State University Letter of Recommendation form and sent directly to the University by the recommender.
6. Applicants must submit a typed, 300-word personal statement discussing their motivation for seeking a master's degree in view of prior formal education, current job responsibilities, and career plans.
7. Applicants must have a minimum of one (1) year of professional or related experience.

Applicants are evaluated based on numerous factors including previous college coursework, letters of recommendation, and personal statement.

### **Application Deadline**

Applications for the Master of Education with a concentration in Nutrition Education are accepted on a rolling basis. Although the University accepts students on a rolling basis, courses are not offered every semester.

Student applying for the School Nutrition Specialist must apply by June 1<sup>st</sup> of the preceding academic year to start the internship in the fall. Students admitted after June 1<sup>st</sup> may still begin their studies in the fall in the other required master's degree courses.

### **4+1 Bachelor of Science with a major in Food and Nutrition with concentration in Nutrition and Dietetics Education/Master of Education with a concentration Nutrition Education (BS/MEd)**

This program combines undergraduate the Nutrition and Dietetics Education concentration with the master's program to complete their master-level work prior to or potentially concurrently with dietetic internship programs, thus enabling them to sit for the registered dietitian nutritionist exam upon completion of their post-graduate dietetic internships. It will also allow our students to be more competitive for dietetic internships.

### **Admission Requirements**

1. Applicants must a currently enrolled undergraduate student in the Food & Nutrition major with a concentration of Nutrition & Dietetics Education 4+1 at Framingham State University and have a minimum of second semester junior standing to apply for this master's concentration.
2. Students apply to this concentration while they are enrolled in or after completing CHEM 300 Principles of Biochemistry. In addition, new undergraduate transfer students must complete one (1) semester at the University before being accepted into this 4+1 graduate concentration.
3. Minimal requirements for departmental admission into the Nutrition and Dietetics Education Concentration include a GPA of 2.70, a GPA of 2.50 in science courses, and a minimum grade of C- (1.7) in any Biology, Chemistry, and Food & Nutrition course. An application form can be found on the departmental website.
4. Applicants must have a minimum of one (1) year of professional or related experience.

## **PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS**

The program requires a minimum of ten (10) graduate courses which include: three (3) education core courses, four (4) nutrition core courses and three (3) specialization elective courses.

A timed, online comprehensive exam is required as the student's culminating experience. Additional information about the comprehensive exam and application due dates is available from the program advisor.

Students who do not meet graduate program prerequisite requirements are required to complete additional courses:

- A statistics course within the last five (5) years is required before enrolling in NUED 911 Research Methods in Nutrition.
- If the student's baccalaureate degree is in a field other than nutrition, students are required to complete NUED 910 Nutrition Science for Educators. This course is offered during the summer term and must be taken the summer immediately following matriculation into this program.

*Note: All courses are offered online.*

### **Education Core Courses (3)**

EDIL 920 Learning and Human Development

NUED 911 Research Methods in Nutrition

NUED 973 Nutrition Education Programs and Curricula I: Design

### **Nutrition Core Courses (4)**

NUED 914 Contemporary Nutrition Issues for Educators

NUED 970 Technology in Nutrition Education

NUED 978 Public Health Nutrition

#### **Capstone:**

NUED 993 Nutrition Education Programs and Curricula II: Implementation and Evaluation

### **Specialization Elective Courses (3)**

Three (3) graduate level electives are required. Disciplines may include: nutrition science, nutrition education, management, leadership, organizational change, grantsmanship, counseling psychology, education, health and wellness, and healthcare.

Recommended Specialization Electives:

EDUC 940 Adult Development and Learning

NUED 900 Leadership in Excellence in School Nutrition

NUED 922 Communication in Public Health and Nutrition

NUED 924 Obesity and Weight Management

NUED 936 Behavioral Health Psychology

NUED 948 Motivation and Health Behavior

NUED 950 Contemporary Issues in the Food System

NUTR 920 Pediatric Nutrition

NUTR 940 Nutrition and Healthy Aging

NUTR 990 Independent Study in Food and Nutrition

*Note: An elective not on this list must be preapproved by the program advisor prior to enrolling in the course. Students may also transfer up to two (2) graduate-level elective courses with the prior written approval of the program advisor.*

# **Master of Education**

## **concentration in Nutrition Education, Specialization in School Nutrition Specialist (SNS)**

### **(Online Program)**

**Program Coordinator:** Susan J. Massad

**Program Advisor:** Susan J. Massad

The Master of Education (M.Ed.) with a concentration in Nutrition Education, specialization in School Nutrition Specialist (SNS) combines the advanced study of education, applied nutrition and innovative teaching methods with the development of knowledge, skills and competencies necessary to provide school nutrition services. The specialization in School Nutrition Specialist (SNS) is designed for those who wish to fulfill the academic and internship requirements to become a School Nutrition Specialist (SNS). Visit the School Nutrition Association at [www.schoolnutrition.org](http://www.schoolnutrition.org) for information on these requirements and the national credentialing examination. Students with a master's degree can prepare for the SNS exam by completing the Graduate Certificate in School Nutrition. Contact Program Coordinator.

Program Learning Outcomes for the School Nutrition Specialist (SNS) are:

- Develop effective nutrition education curriculum for a variety of audiences.
- Integrate current science-based nutrition issues into food, nutrition and wellness policies.
- Design and interpret nutrition education research.
- Select and utilize appropriate technology for nutrition education and foodservice operations
- Perform the variety of responsibilities for operating successful school nutrition programs.
- Complete the eligibility requirements to sit for the School Nutrition Association's School Nutrition Specialists Credentialing Exam.

By completing this programs required internship, students will:

- Prepare to assume district level/supervisory positions in school nutrition
- Understand and assess the nutritional needs of diverse populations, especially of school-aged children at risk and of limited income
- Provide an environment in which interns can appreciate and perform the variety of tasks required for operating successful school foodservice programs
- Prepare to communicate effectively in interactions with other professionals and stakeholders
- Be prepared to sit for the national Nutrition Specialist Credentialing Exam

### **ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

1. Applicants must have earned a baccalaureate degree in a related field from a regionally-accredited college or university and must submit an official transcript from each college or university attended as an undergraduate or graduate student. Bachelor's degree in a related field includes: food and nutrition, hospitality, education (physical education, health, consumer sciences, biology), and nursing. Other degrees will be considered in the application process.
2. Students who have not completed prerequisite courses in their undergraduate curriculum are encouraged to apply. The program advisor will create a plan of study to integrate prerequisite courses and graduate course requirements.
3. Applicants are required to possess an overall grade point average (GPA) of at least 3.00 on a 4.00 scale including acceptable grades in science courses.
4. Applicants who do not fulfill the GPA requirement but have a minimum quality point average of 2.80 on a 4.00 scale will be considered for admission after they complete two prerequisite courses at Framingham State University. These courses must have prior approval and must be completed with a grade of B (3.00) or better.

5. Applicants must provide two letters of recommendation from professors, supervisors, and/or colleagues, submitted on the Framingham State University Letter of Recommendation form and sent directly to the University by the recommender.
6. Applicants must submit a typed, 300-word personal statement discussing their motivation for seeking a master's degree in view of prior formal education, current job responsibilities, and career plans.
7. Applicants must have a minimum of one (1) year of professional or related experience.

Applicants are evaluated based on numerous factors including previous college coursework, letters of recommendation, and personal statement.

### **Application Deadline**

Applications for the Master of Education with a concentration in Nutrition Education are accepted on a rolling basis. Although the University accepts students on a rolling basis, courses are not offered every semester.

Student applying for the School Nutrition Specialist must apply by June 1<sup>st</sup> of the preceding academic year to start the internship in the fall. Students admitted after June 1<sup>st</sup> may still begin their studies in the fall in the other required master's degree courses.

## **PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS**

The program requires a minimum of ten (10) graduate courses which include: three (3) education core courses, four (4) nutrition core courses and three (3) specialization elective courses.

A timed, online comprehensive exam is required as the student's culminating experience. Additional information about the comprehensive exam and application due dates is available from the program advisor.

Students who do not meet graduate program prerequisite requirements are required to complete additional courses:

- A statistics course within the last five (5) years is required before enrolling in NUED 911 Research Methods in Nutrition.
- If the student's baccalaureate degree is in a field other than nutrition, students are required to complete NUED 910 Nutrition Science for Educators. This course is offered during the summer term and must be taken the summer immediately following matriculation into this program.
- Prior to enrolling in NUED 901 Seminar and Practicum I in School Nutrition, students must complete courses in foodservices systems, management, and basic financial and cost accounting

*Note: All courses are offered online.*

### **Education Core Courses (3)**

EDIL 920 Learning and Human Development

NUED 911 Research Methods in Nutrition

NUED 973 Nutrition Education Programs and Curricula I: Design

### **Nutrition Core Courses (4)**

NUED 914 Contemporary Nutrition Issues for Educators

NUED 970 Technology in Nutrition Education

NUED 978 Public Health Nutrition

### **Capstone:**

NUED 993 Nutrition Education Programs and Curricula II: Implementation and Evaluation

### **Specialization Core Courses (3), School Nutrition Specialist**

NUED 900 Leadership in Excellence in School Nutrition

NUED 901 Seminar and Practicum I in School Nutrition

NUED 902 Seminar and Practicum II in School Nutrition

# Master of Education

## concentration in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) for Teachers in Grades 1-6

**Program Coordinator:** Dr. Robert Page

**Program Advisor:** Dr. Robert Page

The Master of Education (M.Ed.) with a concentration in Science, Technology, Engineering, Mathematics (STEM) is designed for teachers in Grades 1-6 who want to increase their knowledge and comfort with science, technology, engineering and math content, as well as the pedagogical skills necessary to create and support a 21<sup>st</sup> century inquiry learning environment. The program features hybrid courses (both face-to-face and online interaction) that use global resources and model pedagogy that engage and include all learners. Each course simulates a genuine classroom where participants have a variety of opportunities to communicate, share, and link ideas, while taking on a different team. Technology tools and applications are used to infuse each course.

The program is designed as a two-year cohort program that encompasses three summers and two academic years. Pre-assignments for summer courses are a regular expectation for all three summers.

### Admission Requirements

1. Applicants must have earned a baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited college or university and must submit an official transcript from each college or university attended as an undergraduate or graduate student.
2. The applicant must be a practicing teacher who holds a Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education license in either Elementary Education or Early Childhood Education at the Initial level (or above)
3. The applicant must have a minimum undergraduate minimum grade point average of 2.80 on a 4.00 scale.

### Application Deadline

Applications are accepted on a rolling basis for the fall and spring semester. Completed applications should be on file by July 1<sup>st</sup> for fall and December 1<sup>st</sup> for spring. Applications received after this date cannot be guaranteed timely matriculation. The Admissions Committee will begin review of an application only upon receipt of official copies of all required documents.

### Program Requirements

The program requires successful completion of ten (10) courses which include three (3) core courses, six (6) required courses and one (1) elective. An oral comprehensive examination is required of all students as the culminating experience. The exam is taken during the student's final semester of study. A professional portfolio must be completed prior to the oral comprehensive examination as part of the degree program. Each course will require a product or project that students will add to their portfolio.

### Education Core Courses (3)

EDUC 991 Philosophy of Education and Teaching Practice

EDUC 998 Language Developments and Communication

EDUC 999 Research and Evaluation

*(recommended after completion of three Content/Concentration courses)*

**Concentration Courses (6)**

STEM 915 The Art of Engineering and Design

STEM 929 Number, Operations, and Representation

STEM 932 Poetry and Pattern in the Natural World of Science

STEM 945 21<sup>st</sup> Century Technology Tools for Teaching and Learning

STEM 959 Examining the World through Data and Shape

STEM 962 A World Connected: Interdependence and Systems in Science

**Elective Course (1)**

To be selected from the following:

LTRC 907 Literacy Instruction

SPED 962 Developmental Pattern of Children with Special Needs

TESL 936 The Teaching of Second Language Skills



# Master of Education

## concentration in Secondary Education

### Specializations in Art, English, History, Mathematics

**Coordinator:** Dr. Kelly Matthews

**Advisors:**

Specialization in Art:	Marc Cote
Specialization in English:	Dr. Desmond McCarthy
Specialization in History:	Dr. Lori Bihler
Specialization in Mathematics:	Dr. Robert Page

The Master of Education (M.Ed.) with a concentration in Secondary Education, specialization in Art, English, History, or Mathematics combines the requirements for Initial Licensure with the advanced study of education affording students the opportunity to completing a master's degree program in approximately two (2) years.

#### Program Learning Outcomes

At the end of the M.Ed. with a concentration in Secondary Education, students will be able to:

- Develop well-structured lessons that have measurable objectives and appropriate student engagement strategies,
- Organize and analyze results from a comprehensive system of assessments to determine student progress towards intended outcomes,
- Use a varied repertoire of practices to create structured opportunities for each of their students to meet or exceed state standards/local curriculum and behavioral expectations,
- Use rituals, routines, and proactive responses to create and maintain a safe physical and intellectual environment where students take academic risks and play an active role,
- Effectively model and reinforce ways that students can consistently master challenging material through effective effort,
- Regularly reflect on the effectiveness of lessons, units, and interactions with students.

#### Admission Requirements

1. Admission to the M.Ed. with a concentration in Secondary Education with specializations in Art, English, History and Math requires a baccalaureate degree from a regionally-accredited college or university and a passing score on the Communication and Literacy portion of the Massachusetts Test for Educator Licensure (MTEL).
2. A minimum undergraduate overall grade point average (GPA) of 3.00 on a 4.00 scale is required.
3. Candidates with deficiencies in the liberal arts or sciences (content area) will be required to take appropriate courses before admittance to the more advanced studies in the sequence involving teaching methods and practice.
4. Applicants to the M.Ed., concentration in Secondary Education, specialization in Art, must additionally submit 10-15 digital images that show technical skill, breadth of experience with various media, and a continued dedication to art making. Portfolio should be uploaded through Slideroom – <http://framingham.slideroom.com>

Applicants are evaluated based on numerous factors including previous college coursework, letters of recommendation, and personal statement.

**Bachelor's/Master of Education with a concentration in Secondary Education – specialization in English, History, Mathematics, or Visual Arts (B/MEd)**

This program combines an FSU undergraduate degree program with a major in English, History, Mathematics, or Studio Art with the Master of Education with concentration in Secondary Education. The graduate program is an advance study of education combined with the requirements for Initial Licensure in the areas of English Grades 5-12, History Grades 5-12, Mathematics Grades 5-8 or 8-12, and Visual Arts Grades PreK-8 or 5-12.

1. Current FSU undergraduate students enrolled in a baccalaureate program in English, history, mathematics, and Studio Art who are interested in pursuing this master's program as a 4+1 may apply for admission into the master's program no later than the end of their junior year. Students admitted into the 4+1 program will be permitted to enroll in three (3) graduate courses for this master's program during their senior year which will then applied to the M.Ed. in Secondary Education graduate program.
2. A passing score on the Communication and Literacy portion of the Massachusetts Test for Educator Licensure (MTEL).
3. A minimum undergraduate overall grade point average (GPA) of 3.00 on a 4.00 scale is required.
4. Candidates with deficiencies in the liberal arts or sciences (content area) will be required to take appropriate courses before admittance to the more advanced studies in the sequence involving teaching methods and practice.
5. Applicants to the M.Ed., concentration in Secondary Education, specialization in Art, must additionally submit 10-15 digital images that show technical skill, breadth of experience with various media, and a continued dedication to art making. Portfolio should be uploaded through Slideroom – <http://framingham.slideroom.com>

Current FSU undergraduate students enrolled in a baccalaureate program in English, history, mathematics, and Studio Art who are interested in pursuing this master's program as a 4+1 may apply for admission into the master's program no later than the end of their junior year. Students admitted into the 4+1 program will be permitted to enroll in three (3) graduate courses for this master's program during their senior year which will then applied to the M.Ed. in Secondary Education graduate program.

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**Program Requirements**

The program requires a minimum of thirteen (13) courses which include: five (5) education core courses, five (5) education field study and practicum courses and three (3) specialization content-matter courses. A timed comprehensive examination is required as the student's culminating experience.

**Education Core Courses (5)**

EDIL 910 Education Foundations  
EDIL 920 Learning and Human Development  
EDUC 998 Language Development and Communication  
EDUC 999 Research and Evaluation  
TESL 910 Sheltered English Immersion

**Education Field Study and Practicum Courses (5)**

EDIL 802 Professional Preparation Special Needs and Educational Technology  
EDIL 900 Field Study I in Education and Seminar

**Specialization Elective Courses (3)**

Three (3) graduate-level electives are required. The courses will be determined in connection with the student's area of specialization.

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***For Specialization in English, Grades 5-12***

EDIL 821 Secondary Methods with Field Study II: English 5-12  
EDPS 861A Secondary Professional Practicum A: English 5-12 (2 course-credits)  
EDPS 861B Secondary Professional Practicum B: English 5-12 (2 course-credits)

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***For Specialization in History, Grades 5-12***

EDIL 822 Secondary Methods with Field Study II: History 5-12

EDPS 862A Secondary Professional Practicum A: History 5-12 (2 course-credits)

EDPS 862B Secondary Professional Practicum B: History 5-12 (2 course-credits)

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***For Specialization in Mathematics, Grades 5-8***

EDIL 823 Secondary Methods with Field Study II: Mathematics 5-8/8-12

EDPS 863A Secondary Professional Practicum A: Mathematics 5-8 (2 course-credits)

EDPS 863B Secondary Professional Practicum B: Mathematics 5-8 (2 course-credits)

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***For Specialization in Mathematics, 8-12***

EDIL 823 Secondary Methods with Field Study II: Mathematics 5-8/8-12

EDPS 864A Secondary Professional Practicum A: Mathematics 5-8 (2 course-credits)

EDPS 864B Secondary Professional Practicum B: Mathematics 5-8 (2 course-credits)

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***For Specialization in Visual Art Grades PreK-8***

EDIL 819 Professional Preparation & Field Study II General and Discipline-Specific Methods  
for Visual Art Grades PreK-8 & 5-12

EDPS 868A Student Teaching Practicum & Seminar I: Visual Art Grades Pre-K to 8  
(2 Course-credits)

EDPS 868B Student Teaching Practicum & Seminar II: Visual Art Grades Pre-K to 8  
(2 Course-credits)

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***For Specialization in Visual Art Grades 5-12***

EDIL 819 Professional Preparation & Field Study II General and Discipline-Specific Methods  
for Visual Art Grades PreK-8 & 5-12

EDPS 869A Student Teaching Practicum and Seminar I: Visual Art Grades 5-12  
(2 Course-credits)

EDPS 869B Student Teaching Practicum and Seminar II: Visual Art Grades 5-12  
(2 Course-credits)

# Master of Education

## concentration in Special Education (Moderate Disabilities)

**Program Coordinators:** Dr. Corrie Masterson

**Program Advisors:** Dr. Corrie Masterson

The Master of Education (M.Ed.) with a concentration in Special Education (Moderate Disabilities) prepares teachers to obtain an Initial License as a Teacher of Students with Moderate Disabilities at Grades PreK-2, PreK-8, or 5-12.

### Admission Requirements

- The applicant must have earned a baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited college or university.
- The applicant must have a minimum undergraduate grade point average of 3.00 on a 4.00 scale. Applicants may submit a statement of special circumstances should the undergraduate grade point average be below 3.00.
- Applicants must provide two letters of recommendation from professors, supervisors, and/or colleagues, submitted with the Framingham State University letter of recommendation form and sent directly to the University by the recommender.
- Applicants must submit a typed, 300-word personal statement discussing their motivation for seeking a master's degree in view of prior formal education, current job responsibilities and career plans.
- Applicants may also be asked to submit additional materials or they may be invited for a personal interview as part of the admission requirements.

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### 4+1 Bachelor's/Master of Education with a concentration in Special Education - Moderate Disabilities (B/MEd)

This program combines an undergraduate degree at Framingham State University with this master's concentration to prepare candidates to work with children and young adults with diverse learning needs. Candidates learn to support literacy and numeracy development, communication skills, and social & emotional learning of students with moderate disabilities Grades PreK-2, PreK-8, or 5-12. This is a program for education majors and minors, however, other related fields can be considered with the approval of the Advisor. This program leads to an initial license as a Teacher of Students with Moderate Disabilities in Grades Pre-K-2, PreK-8, or 5-12.

#### Requirements for Admission into the Graduate program:

- Submit 4+1 Program Specific Application to the master's program – this should be submitted at the end of the sophomore year;
- Two (2) letters of recommendation - at least one (1) of which must be from an Education Department faculty member;
- A typed, 300-word personal statement discussing your motivation for seeking a master's degree in Moderate Disabilities;
- Junior status with an overall GPA of 3.00

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### Program Requirements

The Program requires successful completion of eleven (11) courses, in addition to a practicum for those seeking an Initial License as a Teacher of Students with Moderate Disabilities. A professional portfolio must be completed and presented prior to the required oral comprehensive examination as part of the degree program. The oral comprehensive exam is taken during the student's final semester of study in the degree program (including practicum) or the semester immediately following the final semester in which all coursework has been completed.

Prior to enrolling in M.Ed. courses, students are required to demonstrate prior coursework or training in teaching reading. Students who do not meet the proficiency requirements will be required to take the pre-concentration course LTRC 907 Literacy Instruction prior to enrolling in LTRC 930 Literacy Instruction for Diverse Learners.

**Pre-Concentration Requirement\***

LTRC 907 Literacy Instruction

*\*This may be waived for candidates who meet the proficiency requirements upon admission.*

**Education Core Courses (3):**

EDUC 991 Philosophy of Education and Teaching Practice

EDUC 998 Language Developments and Communication

EDUC 970 Research and Evaluation

*(recommended after completion of three Content/Concentration courses)*

**Concentration Courses (8):**

INST 968 Introduction to Assistive Technology

LTRC 930 Literacy Instruction for Diverse Learners

SPED 937 Connecting Mathematical Concepts and Teaching

SPED 962 Development Patterns of Students with Moderate Disabilities

SPED 956 Curriculum Development and Modification

SPED 960 Assessment Procedures

SPED 964 Collaborative Educational Planning

SPED 973 Behavior and Classroom Management

**Practicum - For those seeking Licensure only**

Candidates seeking an Initial license as a Teacher of Students with Moderate Disabilities at the Grades PreK-2 level must complete a full-time, full-semester, minimum 300-hour practicum. At least seventy-five (75) hours of the practicum must be completed in an inclusive, general education setting in grades PreK-2. The remaining hours, minimum 225, may be completed in inclusive, general education settings or in separate or substantially separate settings for students with moderate disabilities in grades PreK-2. Upon approval of their practicum application, candidates enroll in:

SPED 943A Practicum and Seminar in Moderate Disabilities: Grades PreK-2

SPED 943B Practicum and Seminar in Moderate Disabilities: Grades PreK-2

Candidates seeking an Initial license as a Teacher of Students with Moderate Disabilities at the Grades PreK-8 level must complete a full-time, full-semester, minimum 300-hour practicum. At least seventy-five (75) hours of the practicum must be completed in an inclusive, general education setting in grades PreK-8. The remaining hours, minimum 225, may be completed in inclusive, general education settings or in separate or substantially separate settings for students with moderate disabilities in grades PreK-8. Upon approval of their practicum application, candidates enroll in:

SPED 944A Practicum and Seminar in Moderate Disabilities: Grades PreK-8

SPED 944B Practicum and Seminar in Moderate Disabilities: Grades PreK-8

Candidates seeking an Initial license as Teacher of Students with Moderate Disabilities at the Grades 5-12 level must complete a full-time, full-semester, minimum 300-hour practicum. At least one hundred-fifty (150) hours of the practicum must be completed in an inclusive, general education setting in grades 5-12. The remaining hours, minimum 150, may be completed in inclusive, general education settings or in separate or substantially separate settings for students with moderate disabilities in grades 5-12. Upon approval of their practicum application, candidates enroll in:

SPED 945A Practicum and Seminar in Moderate Disabilities: Grades 5-12

SPED 945B Practicum and Seminar in Moderate Disabilities: Grades 5-12

*Note: The practicum is not required of Candidates who are not seeking licensure. The practicum is completed with the degree program for candidates seeking their first Initial License. For candidates who hold an Initial or Professional License in another area, the practicum may be completed after the degree in limited situations with the approval of the Program Coordinator.*

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## **FSU 4+1 Program Requirements**

The Program requires successful completion of ten (10) courses, which includes practicum for those seeking an Initial License as a Teacher of Students with Moderate Disabilities. A professional portfolio must be completed and presented prior to the required oral comprehensive examination as part of the degree program. The oral comprehensive exam is taken during the student's final semester of study in the degree program (including practicum) or the semester immediately following the final semester in which all coursework has been completed.

### **Education Core Courses (1):**

EDUC 970 Research and Evaluation

*(recommended after completion of three Content/Concentration courses)*

### **Concentration Courses (7):**

LTRC 930 Literacy Instruction for Diverse Learners

SPED 937 Connecting Mathematical Concepts and Teaching

SPED 962 Development Patterns of Students with Moderate Disabilities

SPED 956 Curriculum Development and Modification

SPED 960 Assessment Procedures

SPED 964 Collaborative Educational Planning

SPED 973 Behavior and Classroom Management

### **Practicum (2):**

Candidates seeking an Initial license as a Teacher of Students with Moderate Disabilities at the Grades PreK-2 level must complete a full-time, full-semester, minimum 300-hour practicum. At least seventy-five (75) hours of the practicum must be completed in an inclusive, general education setting in grades PreK-2. The remaining hours, minimum 225, may be completed in inclusive, general education settings or in separate or substantially separate settings for students with moderate disabilities in grades PreK-2. Upon approval of their practicum application, candidates enroll in:

SPED 943A Practicum and Seminar in Moderate Disabilities: Grades PreK-2

SPED 943B Practicum and Seminar in Moderate Disabilities: Grades PreK-2

Candidates seeking an Initial license as a Teacher of Students with Moderate Disabilities at the Grades PreK-8 level must complete a full-time, full-semester, minimum 300-hour practicum. At least seventy-five (75) hours of the practicum must be completed in an inclusive, general education setting in grades PreK-8. The remaining hours, minimum 225, may be completed in inclusive, general education settings or in separate or substantially separate settings for students with moderate disabilities in grades PreK-8. Upon approval of their practicum application, candidates enroll in:

SPED 944A Practicum and Seminar in Moderate Disabilities: Grades PreK-8

SPED 944B Practicum and Seminar in Moderate Disabilities: Grades PreK-8

Candidates seeking an Initial license as Teacher of Students with Moderate Disabilities at the Grades 5-12 level must complete a full-time, full-semester, minimum 300-hour practicum. At least one hundred-fifty (150) hours of the practicum must be completed in an inclusive, general education setting in grades 5-12. The remaining hours, minimum 150, may be completed in inclusive, general education settings or in separate or substantially separate settings for students with moderate disabilities in grades 5-12. Upon approval of their practicum application, candidates enroll in:

SPED 945A Practicum and Seminar in Moderate Disabilities: Grades 5-12

SPED 945B Practicum and Seminar in Moderate Disabilities: Grades 5-12

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### **Guidelines for Practicum in Moderate Disabilities**

All field placement arrangements, including for candidates working in schools, must be made through the FSU Education Field Experience and Licensure Office. Candidates must submit a practicum application to the FSU Education Field Experience and Licensure Office no later than:

- For a **Fall** practicum, apply no later than February 15<sup>th</sup>.
- For a **Spring** practicum, apply no later than October 1<sup>st</sup>.

Once approved by the M.Ed. Special Education Coordinator, the FSU Education Field Experience and Licensure Office will request that the Registrar's Office process the appropriate overrides to allow the candidate to register for the practicum courses.

Candidates who are employed in a regular education setting as a general education teacher or as a paraprofessional, even if that setting includes students who receive special education services, must be in the role of the Moderate Disabilities teacher for a minimum of 150 hours during the practicum semester.

With permission from the program coordinator, candidates may complete some practicum hours in an appropriate separate or substantially separate setting, with the exception of the minimum practicum hours required in an inclusive general education setting.

*Note: Candidates must have completed all concentration courses prior to the practicum semester or be enrolled in the final concentration course concurrently with the practicum course. Candidates may not take more than one course in addition to the practicum during the practicum semester.*

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### **Sheltered English Instruction Endorsement**

Candidates seeking the Moderate Disabilities (PreK-2, PreK-8, or 5-12) License are required to obtain the Sheltered English Instruction (SEI) endorsement in one of the following ways:

- Complete the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) approved SEI course, TESL 910 Sheltered English Immersion, through Framingham State University.
- Complete the DESE approved SEI course through your school district (available to district employees).
- Complete the DESE approved SEI course through another licensure program (e.g. candidates who are adding the Moderate Disabilities license completed an approved SEI course as an undergraduate).
- Pass the SEI MTEL test (Available beginning Spring 2016).
- Hold an ESL License (PreK-6 or 5-12).

# Master of Education

## Concentration in the Teaching of English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL)

**Program Coordinator:** Anne Roberti

**Program Advisor:** Anne Roberti

The Master of Education (M.Ed.) with a concentration in Teaching of English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) is designed for teachers interested in fostering academic success for learners whose language is not English. It takes into consideration the needs of the new immersion classroom and provides instructors with the theoretical and practical knowledge to promote effective teaching of English language skills and sheltered content areas. The degree, along with practicum and other requirements leads to an Initial License in English as a Second Language (Grades PreK-6 or Grades 5-12). *(See Initial Teacher License Requirements below.)*

### Admission Requirements

1. The applicant must have a baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited college or university.
2. The applicant must have a minimum undergraduate minimum grade point average of 2.80 on a 4.00 scale or a quality point average of 3.00 for all coursework completed in the last two years of undergraduate study.

### Program Requirements

The program requires successful completion of the following ten (10) courses. A written comprehensive examination is required as the student's culminating experience. The exam is taken during the student's final semester of study or shortly thereafter.

Prior to enrolling the M.Ed. TESOL courses, students are required to demonstrate prior coursework or training in teaching reading in the first language. Students who do not meet the proficiency requirements will be required to take the pre-concentration course LTRC 907 Literacy Instruction prior to enrolling in TESL 949 Teaching Reading and Writing to English Learners with Pre-Practicum Grades PreK-12.

### Pre-Concentration Requirement\*

LTRC 907 Literacy Instruction

*\*This may be waived for candidates who meet the proficiency requirements upon admission.*

### Education Core Courses (3)

EDUC 991 Philosophy of Education and Teaching Practice

EDUC 998 Language Developments and Communication

EDUC 999 Research and Evaluation

*(recommended after completion of three Concentration courses)*

### Concentration Courses (7)

TESL 901 Language Structure: Phonology and Morphology

TESL 902 Language Structure: Syntax, Semantics, and Pragmatics

TESL 913 Current Issues in Second Language Acquisition

TESL 920 Educational Technology to Support English Language Learners

TESL 943 The Role of the English as a Second Language Teacher: Collaboration, Co-teaching, and Advocacy

TESL 949 Teaching Reading and Writing to English Language Learners with Pre-Practicum Grades PreK-12

TESL 972 Culturally Responsive Teaching with Pre-Practicum Grades PreK-12



## **Initial Teacher License Requirements**

Three avenues towards licensure are described below depending on the student's individual need.

(Practicum versus Internship)

### *Avenue #1: 300-Hour Practicum*

For the candidate who does NOT hold any teaching license in Massachusetts:

The Master of Education with a concentration in The Teaching of English as a Second Language (M.Ed. in TESL) is a state-approved program leading to Initial Licensure in ESL. Students seeking their first Initial Teacher Licensure in English as a Second Language need the following:

Completion of:

TESL 980A Teaching of English as a Second Language Grades PreK-6 Seminar and Practicum A

TESL 980B Teaching of English as a Second Language Grades PreK-6 Seminar and Practicum B

or

TESL 981A Teaching of English as a Second Language Grades 5-12 Seminar and Practicum A

TESL 981B Teaching of English as a Second Language Grades 5-12 Seminar and Practicum B

In order to qualify and register for the 300-hour Practicum which leads to licensure, students must have:

Successfully completed the ten (10) M.Ed. TESOL courses listed above.

Passed the TESL Comprehensive Exam. (see Comprehensive Exam).

Earned a passing score on the Communication and Literacy Skills Test of the Massachusetts Test for Educator Licensure (MTEL 001) (official score report forwarded to the Graduate Office with Practicum Application). The application cannot be processed without this score.

Earned a passing score on the ESL Subject Matter Test, (MTEL 054 ESL), (official score report forwarded to the Graduate Office with Practicum Application). The application cannot be processed without this score.

Identified a Practicum location in agreement with a school district Supervising Practitioner (the teacher or supervisor in the school district who oversees the student). Students locate their own Practicum sites. (The TESOL Program Coordinator and TESOL Program Advisor can offer suggestions for districts to contact.) The University must approve the Practicum location.

Received permission of the University Practicum Supervisor regarding travel distance.

Submitted a Practicum Application. Please contact to the Graduate Office to obtain the application. Deadlines are firm: October 1st for a Spring Practicum.

Once the application has been submitted and approved, students will be notified and then will be permitted to register for TESL 980A/980B or TESL 981A/981B.

### *Avenue #2: 150-Hour Practicum*

For the candidate who already holds an Initial or Professional teacher license, permission may be granted to complete a 150-Hour Practicum. The Practicum is overseen by Framingham State University and requires registration in either TESL 980 or TESL 981. See Program Coordinator or Advisor for full details.

### *Avenue #3: 150-Hour Internship*

For the candidate who holds a valid teaching license in Massachusetts and is seeking to add the ESL PreK-6 or ESL 5-12 license, at the same level in which they currently hold licensure. Instead of a 300-hour Practicum, the student may be eligible for a 150-hour Internship.

An internship is an agreement between the student and the district in which the student is working. Framingham State University is not involved in the internship process and does not endorse the student for licensure. Passing scores on the Communications & Literacy, and ESL Subject Matter MTEs are still required. The school district will need to complete the Internship Verification Template.

# **Master of Healthcare Administration concentration in Healthcare Administration**

**Program Coordinator:**           **Maureen Curran**

Program Advisor:               Maureen Curran

The Master of Healthcare Administration (M.H.A.) with a concentration in Healthcare Administration provides the knowledge and practical skills necessary for Healthcare Administration. The program is designed for the person with employment experience within the healthcare field who is now seeking a career move into administration, or the person who is currently working in administration and now desires the theoretical tools to support this position. In this period, when great challenges face the healthcare system, excellence in management decision-making is of the greatest importance. The M.H.A. program provides a pragmatic approach which balances the theoretical with the practical, and is designed to aid the student in the decision-making process. After completion of the program, students are expected to be able to analyze problems, develop solutions, and articulate those solutions in well written and good oral form.

## **Admission Requirements**

The Masters of Healthcare Administration with a concentration in Healthcare Administration is open to experience health care professionals who can demonstrate their ability to complete successfully a program of graduate study and who have the desire to work within the field of healthcare at the administrative level.

Applicants must have earned a baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited college or university. Students are evaluated primarily on the basis of experience in healthcare, on the distribution of courses taken in another graduate program, and, if applicable, courses taken in another graduate program, and on their undergraduate and graduate grades. An overall undergraduate grade point average (GPA) of 3.00 on a 4.00 scale in a program acceptable to the admissions committee is expected. Students who do not meet these requirements may be offered the opportunity to demonstrate their ability to do successful graduate work by:

1. Taking two advisor-approved courses and earning a grade of B (3.00) or better in each course;

**OR**

2. Taking either the Graduate Management Admissions Test, Graduate Record Examination, or the Miller Analogies Test and achieving a score in the 60<sup>th</sup> percentile higher.

In addition to a suitable GPA or possession of other indicators of academic success, admission will be granted only to persons with acceptable employment experience. Acceptable employment is usually verified by appropriate letters of recommendation. This requirement may be waived after a personal interview.

Evaluation of the materials submitted by the applicant for admission to the Masters of Arts program will begin as soon as all required documents have been received. Applicants may be admitted to the program for the Fall and Spring semesters, although courses may be taken during the Summer term.

## **Program Requirements**

The program consists of eleven (11) courses, which includes nine (6) core concentration courses, one (1) concentration elective course, and one (1) capstone course. An introductory undergraduate course in statistics course is required if the student has not taken a similar course elsewhere and is so noted on an undergraduate transcript.

Waivers are not granted for non-academic prior learning, and are determined solely on the basis of the student's undergraduate or graduate record. All waivers require written approval by the advisor.

Students may take courses in any sequence subject to the following general requirements:

1. Students must observe prerequisites. Courses taken without the proper prerequisites will not be applicable to the student's degree requirements unless written approval is obtained from the student's advisor.
2. HCAD 984 Seminar in Healthcare Administration must be taken in the final semester of the program. Exceptions, requiring written advisor approval, may be made for students taking an elective course over the summer. Registration for the seminar requires prior written permission from the Dean of Graduate Studies. Students will not be permitted to fulfill this requirement with a course transferred from another institution.

## **Program Requirements (11)**

### **Concentration Core Courses (9)**

HCAD 901 Healthcare Policy  
HCAD 914 Healthcare Economics and Finance  
HCAD 921 Budgeting and Accounting in Healthcare Organizations  
HCAD 930 Managing Operations  
HCAD 936 Healthcare Strategic Planning and Marketing  
HCAD 940 Healthcare Informatics and Technology  
HCAD 956 Continuous Quality Improvement of Healthcare Services  
HCAD 961 Healthcare Insurance and Managed Care  
QUAN 908 Quantitative Analysis for Administrators

### **Concentration Elective Course (1)**

HCAD 916 Healthcare Law and Ethics  
HCAD 946 Long Term Care Administration  
HCAD 972 International Healthcare Systems  
HCAD 976 Public Health  
MGMT 900 Foundations of Human Resource Management  
MGMT 904 Management and Leadership  
MGMT 946 Organizational Development and Change  
MGMT 972 Training and Development  
MGMT 977 Managing Global Diversity in Organizations  
PADM 911 Grantsmanship and Development  
Or any one (1) graduate course with the written approval of the program advisor.

### **Program Capstone (1)**

HCAD 984 Seminar in Healthcare Administration

# **Master of Human Resources**

## **concentration in Human Resource Management**

**Program Coordinator:**            **Dr. Robert Awkward**

**Program Advisor:**                **Dr. Robert Awkward**

The Master of Human Resources with a concentration in Human Resource Management is designed to provide qualified individuals from any undergraduate major with the conceptual, analytical, and operational knowledge needed to assume a position in human resource management. The program is based on an orientation which provides a proper balance of theoretical and practical knowledge as well as in-depth preparation in human resource management. Philosophically, the program assumes that excellence in human resource management requires an understanding of both the internal aspects of the modern profit or non-profit organization and the external environment in which it functions. To acquire this understanding, students are exposed to courses in the areas of management, accounting, finance, economics, and human resource administration. At the completion of the program, students are expected to possess the sophisticated analytical, verbal, and intellectual skills needed to forecast personnel needs, hire new employees, and create an environment which promotes maximum employee satisfaction and efficiency.

### **Admission Requirements**

Applicants must have earned a baccalaureate degree from regionally accredited college or university in any major.

Students are evaluated primarily on the basis of the distribution of courses they have taken as undergraduate and, if applicable, courses taken in another graduate program, and on their undergraduate and graduate grades. An overall undergraduate quality point average of 3.00 on a 4.00 scale in a program acceptable to the admissions committee, including successful completion of business and economics courses taken as an undergraduate, is expected.

Students who do not meet these requirements may be offered opportunity to demonstrate their ability to do successful graduate work by:

1. Taking two advisor-approved courses and earning a grade of B (3.00) or better in each course;

**OR**

2. Taking either the Graduate Management Admissions Test, Graduate Record Examination, or the Miller Analogies Test and achieving a score in the 60<sup>th</sup> percentile or higher.

Evaluation of the materials submitted by the applicant for admission to the Master of Arts will begin as soon as all required documents have been received. Applicants may be admitted to the program for the Fall or Spring semesters, although courses may be taken during the Summer.

## **Program Requirements**

The program consists of eleven (11) required courses, which includes 10 core courses and one (1) capstone course). In addition, two (2) prerequisite undergraduate courses are required (may be waived by the Program Coordinator). Students with appropriate academic background may be permitted to waive the two foundation courses.

Waivers are generally not granted if the corresponding undergraduate course(s) were completed more than seven years prior to application. Waivers are not granted for non-academic prior learning, and are determined solely on the basis of the student's undergraduate or graduate record. All waivers require written approval by the program advisor.

Students are expected to be familiar with office/management level software.

Students may take courses in any sequence subject to the following general requirements:

1. Students must complete the two foundation courses early in their program as these are prerequisite courses to core courses and electives.
2. Students must observe prerequisites. Courses taken without the proper prerequisites will not be applicable to the student's degree requirements unless written approval is obtained from the student's advisor.
3. MGMT 985 Seminar in Human Resource Management is the culminating course in the program. Registration requires prior written permission from the Dean of Graduate Studies. Students will not be permitted to fulfill this requirement with a course transferred from another institution. The seminar can only be taken in the last semester of study. Exceptions, requiring written advisor approval, may be made for students taking an elective course over the summer.

### **Prerequisite Undergraduate Course Requirements (2):**

ECON 610 Economic Analysis

MGMT 600 Foundations of Business

## **Human Resources Management Concentration Requirements:**

### **Program Core Courses (10):**

MGMT 900 Foundations of Human Resource Management

MGMT 908 Fundamentals of Accounting and Financial Management

MGMT 914 Theories of Managing Organizations

MGMT 922 Employment Law

MGMT 934 Human Resource Information Systems

MGMT 946 Organizational Development and Change

MGMT 955 Compensation and Performance Management

MGMT 963 Employee Benefits

MGMT 969 Business Ethics

MGMT 977 Managing Global Diversity in Organizations

### **Program Capstone Course (1):**

MGMT 985 Seminar in Human Resources Management

# **Master of Public Administration concentration in Public Administration**

**Program Coordinator:** Giulano Espino

**Program Advisor:** Giulano Espino

The Master of Public Administration (M.P.A.) with a concentration in Public Administration stresses the practical skills and knowledge necessary for a career in the public sector. The program is designed for students presently serving in government and non-profit organizations, those involved in the private sector who are involved with and affected by governmental activities, and those who seek careers in government at the management level. The program provides a pragmatic approach which balances the theoretical with the practical. Students are exposed to the normative and empirical aspects of problem-solving, organizational management, budget and resource management, policy-making, and program administration. In this period of increased interdependency among the public, non-profit, and private sectors, the program is dedicated to the increased responsibilities and challenges confronting the public manager. The program provides the student with a concrete foundation for the acquisition of administrative expertise and tools essential for management at all levels of government and within non-profit service-oriented organizations. After completing of the program, students are expected to be able to analyze problems, to develop solutions, and to acquire the advanced skills of written and oral analysis, presentation, and communication.

## **Admission Requirements**

Applicants must have earned a baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited college or university. The evaluation of a candidate is primarily based upon the applicant's quality point average which is used as an indicator of intellectual development and ability. Extracurricular activities, employment and non-employment experiences, career goals, and motivation for graduate work serve as additional admission criteria. An overall undergraduate grade point average (GPA) of 3.00 on a 4.00 scale in a program acceptable to the admission committee is expected. Students who do not meet these requirements may be offered the opportunity to demonstrate their ability to do successful graduate work by:

1. Taking two advisor-approved graduate or undergraduate courses and earning a grade of B (3.00) or better in each course;
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2. Taking either the Graduate Management Admissions Test, the Graduate Record Exam, or the Miller Analogies Test and achieving a score in the 60<sup>th</sup> percentile or higher.

In addition to a suitable GPA or possession of other indicators of academic success, admission will be granted only to persons with acceptable employment experience. Acceptable employment is usually a minimum of one year of full-time paid experience in the field and is usually verified by appropriate letters of recommendation. This requirement may be waived after a personal interview. Evaluations of the materials submitted by the applicant for admission to the Master of Arts will begin as soon as all required documents have been received. Applicants may be admitted to the program for the Fall or Spring semesters, although courses may be taken during the summer.

## **Program Requirements**

This program consists of ten (10) courses which are divided into a core component (seven courses) and an elective component (three courses).

Students are expected to be familiar with office/management level software.

Students may take courses in any sequence subject to the following general requirements:

1. PADM 983 Foundations of Public Administration serves as a foundation for the core and elective courses in the Public Administration program. Students are recommended to complete this course prior to taking other core courses.
2. Students must meet course prerequisites.
3. PADM 984 Seminar in Public Administration is the culminating course in the student's program and may not be taken before the final semester of the program. Exceptions, requiring advisor approval, may be made for students taking an elective course over the summer. Registration for the seminar requires prior written approval from the Dean of Graduate Studies. Students will not be able to fulfill this requirement with a course transferred from another institution.

### **Undergraduate Prerequisite (1):**

QUAN 676 Statistical Analyses for Managers

**or**

MATH 117 Introduction to Statistics

### **Program Core Courses (7):**

MGMT 904 Management and Leadership

PADM 901 Foundations of Public Administration

PADM 929 Techniques of Policy Analysis

PADM 937 Techniques of Public Budgeting and Resource Management

PADM 981 Personnel Management in the Public Sector

PADM 984 Seminar in Public Administration

QUAN 908 Quantitative Analysis for Administrators

### **Program Elective Courses (3):**

Any three (3) courses with the written approval of the student's advisor. The following are suggested.

BUIS 909 Information Technology in Business

MGMT 955 Compensation and Performance Appraisal

PADM 911 Grantsmanship and Development

PADM 932 Managing Public Sector Projects

PADM 944 Marketing for Non-Profit Organizations

PADM 957 Risk Management and Fiscal Analysis

# Master of Science

## Concentration in Food and Nutrition

### Specialization in Coordinated Program in Dietetics

**Program Coordinator:** Dr. Suzanne Neubauer

**Program Advisor:** Dr. Suzanne Neubauer

The Master of Science (M.S.) with a concentration in Food and Nutrition, specialization in Coordinated Program in Dietetics requires a core of advanced study that integrates nutrition science, biochemistry and research with applied nutrition and dietetics. The specialization in Coordinated Program in Dietetics (CPD) is designed for:

- Those who wish to fulfill both the Didactic Program in Dietetics (DPD) requirements and the supervised practice experience to become a registered dietitian.
- Those who have a current Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND) Verification Statement indicating completion of DPD requirements and wish to complete the supervised practice experience.

This concentration coordinates academic and supervised practice experiences with graduate work to meet the requirements for registration eligibility and membership in the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics (AND).

#### Application Deadline

Applicants who have undergraduate prerequisites to complete that are only offered during the day should apply by **January 1<sup>st</sup>** for fall admission and **September 1<sup>st</sup>** for spring admission. Students who apply later still begin their studies if seats are available in the day courses. Applications are accepted on a rolling basis.

#### Admission Requirements

Admission to the program is a competitive process. Individuals possessing a baccalaureate degree in any major from a regionally accredited institution are eligible to apply. Applicants are evaluated based on numerous factors including previous college coursework; letters of recommendation; and personal statement. The personal statement describes the applicant's goals and reasons for applying to the graduate program.

1. Applicants must have earned a baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited college or university.
  - a. Applicants should have an overall undergraduate grade point average (GPA) of at least 3.00 on a 4.00 scale including acceptable grades in science course.
  - b. Courses in Human Anatomy and Physiology, Biochemistry, and Biostatistics must have been successfully completed within the last five years.
  - c. Students who wish to fulfill the academic requirements (DPD) for becoming a Registered Dietitian and who have not completed prerequisite courses in their undergraduate curriculum are encouraged to apply. Your advisor will create a plan of study which integrates prerequisite courses and graduate courses once designated prerequisite courses are completed. Students must earn a grade of B- (2.70) or better in each prerequisite course and an overall average of B (3.00). Students who earn a C- (1.70) or lower grade in undergraduate prerequisite courses are subject to dismissal from the program. A student will be dismissed when the student earns a C- (1.70) or lower grade in undergraduate prerequisite courses required for a graduate program.
  - d. Students who do not fulfill the QPA requirement, but have a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.75 on a 4.00 scale will be considered for admission after they complete two prerequisite courses at Framingham State University. These courses must have prior approval and must be completed with a grade of B or better.
2. Applicants must provide two letters of recommendation from professors, supervisors, and/or colleagues, submitted on the Framingham State University Letter of Recommendation form and sent directly to the University by the recommender.



3. Applicants must submit a 300-word personal statement discussing their motivation for seeking a master's degree in view of prior formal education, current job responsibilities and career plans.

The Graduate Admissions committee will begin review of applicant materials upon receipt of all required documents. Complete applications include: application form, two current letters of recommendation, 300-word personal statement, and all official undergraduate transcripts.

### **Commission on Dietetic Registration (CDR) Information**

Students seeking eligibility for the Commission on Dietetic Registration (CDR) examination for becoming a Registered Dietitian must complete the academic requirements for the Didactic Program in Dietetics (DPD), including a supervised practice experience in an accredited program. The Coordinated Program in Dietetics (CPD) specialization fulfills both of these requirements. Both the CPD and the DPD are competitive programs which require a separate application by matriculated students. Additional information can be found at the Nutrition and Health Studies Department website. Framingham State University provides advising by the DPD Director for those students who elect to apply to a Dietetic Internship to fulfill the supervised practice experience. These students must complete a non-credit seminar prior to receiving a verification statement for eligibility for an ACEND accredited Dietetic Internship.

### **Specialization in Coordinated Program in Dietetics (CDP)**

This specialization coordinates academic and supervised practice experience (practicum courses) to meet the requirements for registration eligibility and membership in the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics (AND). Students are eligible to take the registration exam upon completion of the program. After acceptance to the MS program, students must apply for admission to the Coordinated Program. Students are accepted on a competitive basis in the spring semester for entrance into the program the following fall, once science and food prerequisite courses have been completed. The program follows a set course sequence for two years; other graduate courses may be integrated during this time. Students accepted to the Coordinated Program must meet program maintenance policies as stated in the Coordinated Program in Dietetics Manual. Students should see the Coordinated Program Director early to discuss their plan of study and to obtain application materials.

### **Program Requirements**

The program requires a minimum of 13 courses: four core courses, four concentration courses, two elective courses, three practicum courses, together with undergraduate prerequisite courses required for students without appropriate academic backgrounds. Students are also required to register for NUTR 930 Nutrition in the School Environment, in the summer preceding the School Nutrition Practicum. Registration fee applies.

Students who provide a current ACEND Verification Form indicating completion of the Didactic Program in Dietetics may have some core and/or concentration courses waived. Students are required to select additional graduate elective courses for a total of fifteen (15) to replace any waived courses. A comprehensive examination is required as the student's culminating experience.

### **Undergraduate Prerequisite Courses (equivalent to the following FSU courses):**

BIOL 130/130L Principles of Biology with Lab  
BIOL 228/228L Principles of Microbiology with Lab  
BIOL 235/235L Principles of Human Physiology with Lab  
CHEM 107/107L Principles of Chemistry with Lab  
CHEM 108/108L Principles of Chemistry and Quantitative Analysis with Lab  
CHEM 207/207L Organic Chemistry with Lab  
CHEM 300/300L Principles of Biochemistry with Lab  
STAT 203 Statistics for the Natural Sciences (*not required for students having had an acceptable statistics course within the last five years*)  
NUTR 110 Fundamentals of Nutrition Science  
NUTR 262/262L Food, Culture and Society with Lab (*not required for students having had an equivalent foods course*)  
NUTR 364/364L Experimental Study of Food with Lab  
NUTR 381 Medical Nutrition Therapy I  
NUTR 478 Community Nutrition

PSYC 101 General Psychology **OR**  
SOCI 101 Introduction to Sociology **OR**  
ANTH 161 Cultural Anthropology

*Note: Courses in Human Physiology and in Biochemistry must have been successfully completed within the last five years.*

**Program Core Courses (4):**

NUTR 874 Human Nutrition Science  
NUTR 903 Advanced Nutrition and Metabolism  
NUTR 911 Research Methods in Nutrition  
NUTR 980 Seminar in Food and Nutrition

**Concentration Courses (4):**

NUTR 881 Medical Nutrition Therapy II  
NUTR 882 Management of Food and Nutrition Services  
NUTR 884 Foodservice Systems  
NUTR 965 Seminar in Clinical Nutrition

**Practicum Courses (3):**

NUTR 931 Practicum in Community Nutrition  
NUTR 951 Practicum in Foodservice Systems  
NUTR 981 Practicum in Clinical Dietetics (2 course-credits)

**Elective Courses (2):**

Elective courses will not be offered each semester and may not be offered every year.  
Elective courses require written approval from the student's advisor.

CPSY 911 Orientation to Counseling Practice  
FDSC 805 Food Analysis  
FDSC 808 Food Chemistry  
NUTR 920 Pediatric Nutrition  
NUTR 922 Communication in Public Health and Nutrition  
NUTR 924 Obesity and Weight Management  
NUED 926 Nutrition in Eating Disorders Management  
NUTR 940 Nutrition and Healthy Aging  
NUTR 948 Motivation and Health Behavior  
NUTR 950 Contemporary Issues in the Food System  
NUTR 960 Sports Nutrition  
NUTR 970 Technology in Nutrition Education  
NUTR 973 Nutrition Education Programs and Curricula I: Design  
NUTR 978 Public Health Nutrition  
NUTR 990 Independent Study in Food and Nutrition  
NUTR 993 Nutrition Education Programs and Curricula II: Implementation and  
Evaluation

# Master of Science

## Concentration in Food and Nutrition

### Specialization in Coordinated Program in Dietetics 4+1

**Program Coordinator:** Dr. Suzanne Neubauer

**Program Advisor:** Dr. Suzanne Neubauer

The Master of Science (M.S.) with a concentration in Food and Nutrition, specialization in Coordinated Program in Dietetics 4+1 requires a core of advanced study that integrates nutrition science, biochemistry and research with applied nutrition and dietetics. The specialization in Coordinated Program in Dietetics 4+1 (CPD 4+1) is designed for:

- Those who are matriculated in the Framingham State University Bachelor of Science Food and Nutrition major, Nutrition and Dietetics concentration and wish to fulfill both the Didactic Program in Dietetics (DPD) requirements and the supervised practice experience to become a registered dietitian.

This concentration coordinates academic and supervised practice experiences with graduate work to meet the requirements for registration eligibility and membership in the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics (AND).

#### **Application Deadline**

Applicants should apply concurrently to the master degree and the Coordinated Program in Dietetics 4+1 in the second semester of their junior year by February 28<sup>th</sup>.

#### **Admission Requirements**

Admission to the CPD 4+1 is a competitive process. Applicants are evaluated based on numerous factors including previous college coursework; letters of recommendation; and personal statement. The personal statement describes the applicant's goals and reasons for applying to the graduate program.

1. Applicants must have completed NUTR 364 Experimental Study of Food, completed or be enrolled in NUTR 374 Human Nutrition Science, and be a minimum second semester junior. Applicants should have an overall undergraduate quality point average (QPA) of at least 3.0 on a 4.00 scale.
2. Applicants must provide two letters of recommendation from professors, supervisors, and/or colleagues, submitted on the Framingham State University Letter of Recommendation form and sent directly to the University by the recommender.
3. Applicants must submit a 300-word personal statement discussing their motivation for seeking a master's degree and commitment to an additional year of school. Complete applications include: application form, two current letters of recommendation, 300-word personal statement, and all official undergraduate transcripts.

#### **Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics (AND) Registered Dietitian Information**

Students seeking eligibility for the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics (AND) examination for becoming a Registered Dietitian must complete the academic requirements for the Didactic Program in Dietetics (DPD), including a supervised practice experience in an accredited program. The Coordinated Program in Dietetics (CPD) 4+1 specialization fulfills both of these requirements. Both the CPD and the DPD are competitive programs which require a separate application by FSU matriculated students. Additional information can be found at the Food and Nutrition major website.

### **Specialization in Coordinated Program in Dietetics (CDP)**

This specialization coordinates academic and supervised practice experience (practicum courses) to meet the requirements for registration eligibility and membership in the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics (AND). Students are eligible to take the national Registration Examination for Dietitians upon completion of the program. Students apply simultaneously to the master degree and to the Coordinated Program in Dietetics. Students are accepted on a competitive basis in the spring semester for entrance into the program the following fall, once science and food prerequisite courses have been completed. The program follows a set course sequence for two years. Students accepted to the Coordinated Program must meet program maintenance policies as stated in the Coordinated Program in Dietetics Policy and Procedure Manual.

### **Program Learning Description (Undergraduate):**

This program combines undergraduate science and food and nutrition coursework with graduate nutrition coursework and supervised practice experiences (1200 hours). Upon completion of both the Bachelor and Master degrees, students are eligible to take the national Registration Examination for Dietitians. This program prepares students for positions in clinical nutrition, foodservice management, community nutrition, health promotion, and other food and nutrition specializations. It can be completed in five years and includes coursework in the summer following completion of the Bachelor degree. This specialization also meets the requirements to be a Licensed Nutritionist Dietitian in Massachusetts.

The Coordinated Program in Dietetics is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND) [www.eatright.org/ACEND](http://www.eatright.org/ACEND) 120 South Riverside Plaza, Suite 2000 Chicago IL 60606 phone 312-899-0040, ext. 5400.

### **Program Learning Outcomes (Graduate):**

- Apply current science-based nutrition concepts to evaluate emerging nutrition research and practice
- Demonstrate competence in the application of nutrition science to all areas of nutrition practice
- Evaluate emerging technologies and informatics for potential use in nutrition education and practice
- Perform the variety of responsibilities in clinical nutrition, foodservice management, community nutrition, and school nutrition education required for successful employment as a nutrition and dietetics practitioner
- Pass the Registration Examination for Dietitians administered by the Commission on Dietetic Registration of The Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics

### **Program Requirements**

The program requires 10 courses: three core courses, one concentration courses, two elective courses, and three practicum courses. It can be completed in five years and includes coursework in the summer following completion of the Bachelor degree. Registration fee applies.

An oral comprehensive examination is required as the student's culminating experience. A laptop computer with Windows operating system is required. Framingham State University offers a purchase program.

### **Program Core Courses (3):**

- NUTR 903 Advanced Nutrition and Metabolism
- NUTR 911 Research Methods in Nutrition
- NUTR 980 Seminar in Food and Nutrition

### **Concentration Courses (1):**

- NUTR 965 Seminar in Clinical Nutrition

### **Practicum Courses (3):**

- NUTR 931 Practicum in Community Nutrition
- NUTR 951 Practicum in Foodservice Systems
- NUTR 981 Practicum in Clinical Dietetics (*2 course-credits*)

### **Elective Courses (2):**

Elective courses will not be offered each semester and may not be offered every year. Elective courses require written approval from the student's advisor.

- CPSY 911 Orientation to Counseling Practice
- NUTR 920 Pediatric Nutrition
- NUTR 922 Communication in Public Health and Nutrition

NUTR 924 Obesity and Weight Management  
NUED 926 Nutrition in Eating Disorders Management  
NUTR 940 Nutrition and Healthy Aging  
NUTR 948 Motivation and Health Behavior  
NUTR 950 Contemporary Issues in the Food System  
NUTR 960 Sports Nutrition  
NUTR 970 Technology in Nutrition Education  
NUTR 973 Nutrition Education Programs and Curricula I: Design  
NUTR 978 Public Health Nutrition  
NUTR 990 Independent Study in Food and Nutrition  
NUTR 993 Nutrition Education Programs and Curricula II: Implementation and Evaluation

### **Sample Coordinated Program in Dietetics year 5**

#### **Summer as part of the 5<sup>th</sup> Year:**

Graduate elective from Choose Group  
NUTR 930 Nutrition in the School Environment (0.5 course-credit) (On-line)<sup>2</sup>

#### **Fall as part of the 5<sup>th</sup> Year:**

NUTR 965 Seminar in Clinical Nutrition  
NUTR 981 Practicum in Clinical Experience Dietetics (SP<sup>1</sup>) (credit: 2 courses)

#### **Spring as part of the 5<sup>th</sup> Year:**

NUTR 931 Practicum in Community Nutrition (7 weeks SP<sup>1</sup>)  
NUTR 941 School Nutrition Practicum (0.5 course-credit) (SP<sup>1</sup>)  
NUTR 951 Practicum in Foodservice Systems (9 weeks SP<sup>1</sup>)  
NUTR 980 Seminar in Food and Nutrition

<sup>1</sup> Supervised Practice

<sup>2</sup> Required summer on-line course provides an overview of nutrition and health education curricula available for implementation in the school nutrition practicum. Division of Graduate and Continuing Education (DGCE) fee applies. The school nutrition supervised practice is completed during the same semester as Experience in Community Nutrition. Students who affiliate with a school nutrition program for Practicum in Foodservice Systems will be paired with a student who has an alternate foodservice placement to complete this experience.

<sup>3</sup> Fall and Spring semesters may be reversed.

# **Master of Science**

## **Concentration in Food and Nutrition Specialization in Food Science and Nutrition Science**

**Program Coordinator:** Dr. Steven Cok

**Program Advisor:** Dr. Emmanouil Apostolidis

The Master of Science (M.S.) with a concentration in Food and Nutrition, specialization in Food Science and Nutrition Science offers a unique resource geared to advanced and traditional interest of the region's food and nutritional science-based economies. Academic programs that support applied food biotechnologies, food science technology and food engineering, as well as nutritional biochemistry, can be tailored to meet the thesis or non-thesis needs of graduate students.

As a natural extension of the University's century-long commitment to food and nutritional studies, the Master of Science program is dedicated to the vigorous technical support of food biotechnologies, industrial, and medical sectors of the Commonwealth that will shape the 21<sup>st</sup> century economy of the region.

### **Admission Requirements**

Individuals possessing a baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited college or university, which includes basic courses in biology, chemistry, and mathematics are eligible to apply for admission. Students are evaluated primarily on the basis of their undergraduate degree program, recommendations, and professional experience where it applies. Specific courses that students are expected to have as part of their undergraduate education, and prior to their making application, are Biology, General Chemistry I and II, and Organic Chemistry I and II (comparable to Framingham State University courses). The personal statement describes the applicant's goals and reasons for applying to the graduate program.

1. Applicants must have earned a baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited college or university
  - a. Applicants should have an overall undergraduate grade point average (GPA) of at least 3.00 on a 4.00 scale including acceptable grades in science and mathematics courses.
  - b. Courses in Microbiology, Human Anatomy and Physiology, Biochemistry, and Biostatistics must have been successfully completed within the last five years.
  - c. Applicants who do not fulfill the GPA requirement but have a minimum GPA of 2.75 on a 4.00 scale will be considered for admission after completing two prerequisite graduate courses at Framingham State University. These courses must have prior approval and must be completed with a grade of B (3.00) or better.
2. Applicants must provide two letters of recommendation from professors, supervisors, and/or colleagues, submitted on the Framingham State University Letter of Recommendation form and sent directly to the University by the recommender.
3. Applicants must submit a 300-word personal statement discussing their motivation for seeking a master's degree in view of prior formal education, current job responsibilities and career plans.

Applicants whose files become complete during the regular academic year will have their applications reviewed as soon as required documents have been received. Applicants whose files become complete during the summer months have their files reviewed during the summer at the convenience and availability of the admissions committee faculty. Applicants for full-time study should have their files complete by February 1<sup>st</sup> for fall admission and by September 1<sup>st</sup> for spring and summer admissions in order to maximize access to prerequisite undergraduate courses.

## **Program Requirements**

The program requires a minimum of ten (10) courses: four (4) core courses, five (5) concentration courses, and one (1) approved elective course; along with undergraduate prerequisite courses required for students without an appropriate academic background. Students may take courses in any sequence subject to the following general requirements:

1. Students must have completed all the undergraduate prerequisite courses before registering for core, concentration or elective courses;
2. NUTR 903 Nutritional Biochemistry must be repeated if passed with a grade lower than B- (2.70).
3. An oral comprehensive examination is required as the student's culminating experience.

### **Undergraduate Prerequisite Courses**

BIOL 228/228L Principles of Microbiology with Lab

BIOL 235/235L Principles of Human Biology with Lab

CHEM 301/301L Biochemistry with Lab

FDSC 151 Principles of Food Science (*not required for students having had an acceptable foods course*)

MATH 208 Biostatistics (*not required of students having had an acceptable statistics course*)

MATH 219 Calculus I

*NOTE: The prerequisite undergraduate courses in Human Anatomy and Physiology I & II, and Biochemistry, if taken elsewhere, must be equivalent to those offered at Framingham State University. Furthermore, these courses must have been successfully completed within the last five (5) years.*

### **Program Core Courses (4):**

FDSC 911 Research and Seminar in Food Science/Nutritional Biochemistry

FDSC 960 Thesis in Food Science/Nutritional Biochemistry **OR**

FDSC 921 Laboratory Practicum

NUTR 874 Human Nutrition Science

NUTR 903 Advanced Nutrition and Metabolism

### **Specialization Courses (5)**

CHEM 821 Instrumental Analysis with Lab (*an elective may be substituted with approval of the program advisor*)

FDSC 805 Food Analysis with Lab

FDSC 808 Food Chemistry with Lab

FDSC 813 Food Safety and Microbiology with Lab

FDSC 815 Food Engineering and Processing with Lab

### **Elective Course (1)**

An 800- or 900-level graduate elective course must be approved, in writing, by the student's advisor.

# **Master of Science**

## **Concentration in Food and Nutrition**

### **Specialization in Nutrition Science**

**Program Coordinator:** Dr. Suzanne Neubauer

**Program Advisor:** Dr. Suzanne Neubauer

The Master of Science (M.S.) with a concentration in Food and Nutrition, specialization in Nutrition Science requires a core of advanced study that integrates nutrition science, biochemistry and research with applied nutrition and dietetics. The specialization Nutrition Science designed for:

- the Registered Dietitian;
- those who have a current Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND) Verification statement indicating completion of the Didactic Program in Dietetics (DPD) requirements;
- those who wish to fulfill the academic requirements (DPD) for becoming a Registered Dietitian. (See “Commission on Dietetic Registration (CDR) Information” concerning the supervised practice requirement.)

This specialization combines advanced study of nutrition science with the development of skills to incorporate emerging technologies in nutrition education and practice.

#### **Application Deadline**

Applicants who have undergraduate prerequisites to complete that are only offered through the Day School should apply by January 1<sup>st</sup> for fall admission and by September 1<sup>st</sup> for spring admission. Students who apply later may still begin their studies if seats are available in the undergraduate prerequisite courses offered through the Day Division. Applications are accepted on a rolling admission basis.

#### **Admission Requirements**

Admission to the program is a competitive process. Individuals possessing a baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited institution are eligible to apply. Applicants are evaluated based on several factors including previous college course work; letters of recommendation; and personal statement. The personal statement describes the applicant’s goals and reasons for applying to the graduate program.

1. Applicants must have earned a baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited college or university
  - a. Applicants should have an overall undergraduate grade point average (GPA) of at least 3.00 on a 4.00 scale including acceptable grades in science courses.
  - b. Courses in Human Anatomy and Physiology, Biochemistry, and Biostatistics must have been successfully completed within the last five years.
  - c. Students who wish to fulfill the academic requirements (DPD) for becoming a Registered Dietitian and who have not completed prerequisite courses in their undergraduate curriculum are encouraged to apply. Your advisor will create a plan of study which integrates prerequisite courses and graduate courses once designated prerequisite courses are completed. Students must earn a grade of B- (2.70) or better in each prerequisite course and an overall average of B (3.00).
  - d. Students who do not fulfill the GPA requirement, but have a minimum GPA of 2.75 on a 4.00 scale will be considered for admission after they complete two prerequisite courses at Framingham State University. These courses must have prior approval and must be completed with a grade of B or better.



2. Applicants must provide two letters of recommendation from professors, supervisors, and/or colleagues, submitted on the Framingham State University Letter of Recommendation form and sent directly to the University by the recommender.
3. Applicants must submit a 300-word personal statement discussing their motivation for seeking a master's degree in view of prior formal education, current job responsibilities and career plans.

The admissions committee will begin review of applicant materials upon receipt of all required documents. Complete applications include: application form, two current letters of recommendation, 300-word personal statement, and all official undergraduate transcripts.

### **Commission on Dietetic Registration (CDR) Information**

Students seeking eligibility for the Commission on Dietetic Registration (CDR) examination for becoming a Registered Dietitian must complete the academic requirements for the Didactic Program in Dietetics (DPD), including a supervised practice experience in an accredited program. The Coordinated Program in Dietetics (CPD) specialization fulfills both of these requirements. Both the CPD and the DPD are competitive programs which require a separate application by matriculated students. Additional information can be found at the Nutrition and Health Studies Department website. Framingham State University provides advising by the DPD Director for those students who elect to apply to a Dietetic Internship to fulfill the supervised practice experience. These students must complete a non-credit seminar prior to receiving a verification statement for eligibility for an ACEND accredited Dietetic Internship.

### **Program Requirements**

The program requires a minimum of ten (10) courses: four (4) core courses and six (6) concentration and elective courses, together with undergraduate prerequisite courses required for students without appropriate academic backgrounds. A minimum of ten (10) courses is required for graduation.

Students who provide a current ACEND Verification Form indicating completion of the Didactic Program in Dietetics may have some program core and/or concentration courses waived. Students are required to select additional graduate elective courses for a total of ten (10) to replace any waived courses. Those who wish to fulfill the academic requirements (DPD) for becoming a Registered Dietitian should consult the undergraduate prerequisite courses listed under the Coordinated Program in Dietetics specialization.

Students are required to have a laptop computer with Windows operating system as most graduate courses require laptops for use in the classroom.

An oral comprehensive examination is required as the student's culminating experience.

#### **Undergraduate Prerequisite Courses**

MATH 208 Biostatistics *(not required for students having had an acceptable statistics course within the last five years)*

Undergraduate courses in Human Physiology and in Biochemistry must have been successfully completed within the last five years.

Registered Dietitians have no other undergraduate course prerequisites. Students who provide a current ACEND Verification Form indicating completion of the Didactic Program in Dietetics may have some program core and/or concentration courses waived. Students are required to select additional graduate elective courses to replace any waived courses. Those who wish to fulfill the academic requirements (DPD) for becoming a Registered Dietitian should consult the undergraduate prerequisite courses listed under the Coordinated Program in Dietetics specialization.

### **Concentration Core Courses (4)**

NUTR 874 Human Nutrition Science\*  
NUTR 903 Advanced Nutrition and Metabolism  
NUTR 911 Research Methods in Nutrition  
NUTR 980 Seminar in Food and Nutrition

### **Specialization Courses (2)**

NUTR 973 Nutrition Education Programs and Curricula I: Design

NUTR 993 Nutrition Education Programs and Curricula II: Implementation and  
Evaluation

### **Specialization Electives (4)**

Elective courses will not be offered each semester and may not be offered every year.

Elective courses require written approval from the student's advisor.

Choose four (4) electives from list below or consult with advisor for alternate options:

CHEM 805 Food Analysis

CHEM 808 Food Chemistry

CPSY 911 Orientation to Counseling Practice

NUTR 882 Management of Food and Nutrition Services\*

NUTR 881 Medical Nutrition Therapy II\*

NUTR 884 Foodservice Systems\*

NUTR 920 Pediatric Nutrition

NUTR 922 Communication in Public Health and Nutrition

NUTR 924 Obesity and Weight Management

NUED 926 Nutrition in Eating Disorders Management

NUTR 940 Nutrition and Healthy Aging

NUTR 948 Motivation and Health Behavior

NUTR 950 Contemporary Issues in the Food System

NUTR 960 Sports Nutrition

NUTR 970 Technology in Nutrition Education

NUTR 978 Public Health Nutrition

NUTR 990 Independent Study in Food and Nutrition

*\*Denotes course required to meet the Didactic Program in Dietetics*

# **Master of Science**

## **Concentration in Organizational Leadership**

**Program Coordinator:** Karen Druffel

**Program Advisor:** Karen Druffel

The Master of Science (MS) Degree with a concentration in Organizational Leadership is structured to prepare early and mid-career professionals for leadership and management roles in today's rapidly changing work environments. Students learn to link theory with practice, and to recognize the ethical, political, and multi-disciplinary demands of work environments that are increasingly global, diverse, and geographically/culturally diffuse. This program examines principles of leadership and management, such as understanding organizational behavior and leading change. Students learn to appreciate the value of exerting influence for maximum impact at all levels of the organization. Graduates are better prepared for success in both the private and public sector organizations that run the gamut from businesses, nonprofits, and governmental agencies.

### **Program Learning Outcomes**

At the end of this program the student is able to:

- Identify principal concepts and theories in three areas: leadership, elements of organizational change, and management of business disruption.
- Develop stronger self-awareness, such as knowing who you are as a leader, your values and purpose to influence organizational performance and culture
- Recognize, demonstrate, and advocate for the importance of ethical leadership in effective communications and negotiations.
- Consider equity, multiple perspectives, and relevant contexts when making decisions and taking action.
- Apply the combined knowledge of organizational behavior and leadership disciplines using relevant tools and frameworks.
- Integrate data-driven and evidence-based decisions in local and global environments.

### **Admission Requirements**

Admission to the Master of Science (MS) degree, concentration in Organizational Leadership program is available to qualified individuals who hold an undergraduate degree in any major from an accredited college or university with a GPA of 2.80 or higher. Admission is based performance in previous college/ university study, assessment of written essays, and appraisal of letters of recommendation.

Applicants are required to submit the following:

1. A completed Application for Graduate Admission form.
2. Official copies of undergraduate and graduate transcripts (if applicable). Students who have transcripts from outside the United States must have their transcripts evaluated by a Credit Evaluation service and translated into English.
3. Two written essays. Each essay should be typed or printed, single spaced and limited to the length indicated. The essay questions are:
  - a. What would you like the MS Admissions Committee to know about you? (450-word limit); and
  - b. What are your three most substantial achievements and why do you consider them to be substantial achievements? (700-word limit);
4. Two letters of recommendation sent directly to Graduate Admissions at Framingham State University by the applicant's references.
5. TOEFL scores (550 or higher) or IELTS scores (6.5 or higher) are required of applicants seeing admission from non-English speaking countries. The TOEFL or IELTS may be waived if the applicant has successfully completed at least two full academic years in a college/ university in the United States of America, United Kingdom, Australia, New Zealand, or Canada.

Evaluation of applications for admission to this program begins only when all the required documents have been received.

Applicants seeking admission for the fall should have a complete application on file no later than July 1<sup>st</sup>. Applicants for spring admission should have a complete application on file no later than December 1<sup>st</sup>. Applications completed or received after the due date cannot be guaranteed timely matriculation.

MS with a concentration in Organizational Leadership program advisors are available for consultation about the admission process, program requirements, and course selection. Individuals may make an appointment with an advisor by sending an email to [MSM@framingham.edu](mailto:MSM@framingham.edu).

Applications remaining incomplete for over one year will be considered inactive.

### **Transfer Credit**

Transfer credit for prior graduate coursework completed at another accredited college or university is considered at the time of MBA admission based on course descriptions and documentation submitted with the student's application. Courses accepted in transfer must meet the academic criteria established by Framingham State University. A maximum of two (2) graduate courses may be accepted in transfer and applied toward the MS degree program, if they were completed during the last five (5) years.

### **Time Limits for Program Completion**

All degree requirements must be met within eight (8) years from the completion date of the first MS Core or Elective course.

### **Program Requirements**

The MS with concentration in Organizational Leadership requires completion of nine (9), consisting of (8) Core courses and one (1) Capstone project or theme based seminar.

#### **Organizational Leadership Concentration:**

##### **Concentration Core Requirements (8):**

- ORGL 903 Organizational Psychology
- ORGL 907 Leadership and Team Management
- ORGL 916 Evidence Based Management and Decision Making
- ORGL 922 Ethics in Leadership and Business
- ORGL 934 International Business Management
- ORGL 945 Leading the Innovation Process and Navigating Disruptive Technologies
- ORGL 950 Leading Organizations in the Age of Artificial Intelligence
- ORGL 968 Negotiation and Ethical Influence

##### **Capstone:**

- ORGL 980 Seminar in Organizational Leadership

# **Master of Science in Nursing**

## **Concentration in Nursing Case Management**

**Program Coordinator:** Lisa Thomas

**Program Advisor:** Lisa Thomas

The Master of Science in Nursing (M.S.N.) with a concentration in Nursing Case Management is designed for graduates with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing who wish to expand their careers into case management. All courses are offered in hybrid/blended learning format, combining online with traditional on-campus classroom experiences. The program prepares nurses with a strong theoretical foundation in research, nursing and related theories, healthcare policy, informatics/technology, ethics, and cultural competency as well as practice expertise as a nurse case manager.

The master's degree in nursing at Framingham State University is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE), (<http://www.aacn.nche.edu/ccne-accreditation>).

### **Admission Requirements**

**Note:** Applications are accepted only for enrollment in the fall semester every year. The following admission and degree requirements will be effective for MSN students.

1. Applicants must have a current unrestricted Massachusetts RN license.
2. Applicants must have earned a baccalaureate of science in nursing (BSN) degree from a regionally accredited college or university which is nationally accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE), the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN), and/or the National League for Nursing Commission for Nursing Education Accreditation (CNEA); and must submit an official transcript from each college or university attended as an undergraduate or graduate student. Applicants who have completed any college-level coursework, including a Bachelor of Science in Nursing from a foreign nursing school, need to submit a course-by-course evaluation for United States equivalency by the Commission on Graduates of Foreign Nursing Schools and official transcripts from their institution(s) overseas.
3. Applicants are required to possess an overall undergraduate grade point average (GPA) of at least 3.00 on a 4.00 scale, and a minimum of a 3.25 GPA in undergraduate nursing courses.
4. Applicants who do not meet the above criteria for undergraduate GPA may be asked to take NURS 701 Preparation for Success in the Graduate Nursing Program, a one credit preparatory class offered in the summer.
5. Applicants must have completed an undergraduate, introductory course in statistics with a minimum grade of C (2.00 on a 4.00 scale).
6. Applicants must have a personal interview with the Nursing Chairperson or Graduate Program Coordinator.
7. Applicants must provide two letters of recommendation from nurses with an MSN who can attest to the applicant's ability to succeed in a master's program, submitted on the Framingham State University Letter of Recommendation form and sent directly to the University by the recommender.
8. Applicants must submit a typed, 300-word personal statement discussing their motivation for seeking a master's degree in view of prior formal education, current job responsibilities and career plans.

### **Courses before Admission and Transfer Credit**

Interested applicants can may take up to two graduate-level Nursing courses, with Program Director/Coordinator approval and seat availability, as a non-matriculated student prior to applying to the program. Upon successful completion of the program course(s) and admission to the Master of Science in Nursing program, the course(s) will be applied as credit earned. Taking classes as a non-matriculated student does not guarantee admission in the Master of Science in Nursing program. Recommended courses are NURC 915 Advanced Technology and Nursing Informatics in the fall or NURC 905 Health and Education Resources and Policies in the spring.

Transfer coursework is not accepted for the MSN program.

### **Program Requirements**

This program consists of ten (10) course-credits or 40 semester hours. Students take a Common Core of six (6) courses, and then select a four (4) course concentration in either Nursing Education or Nursing Leadership. A thesis, an evidence-based research project/paper, will be completed as part of the requirements for the Common Core courses.

#### **Common Core (6)**

NURC 905 Health and Education Resources and Policies

NURC 915 Advanced Technology and Nursing Informatics

NURC 925 Ethical, Social and Cultural Competencies

NURC 935 Essential Preparation for Advanced Nursing Role

NURC 971 Nursing Theory and Research I

NURC 972 Nursing Theory and Research II

#### **Nursing Case Management Concentration (4)**

NURM 910 Professional Foundations and Care Coordination

NURM 920 Quality Management and Health Promotion

NURM 980 Seminar and Externship in Case Management

NURM 985 Applied Practicum in Case Management

# **Master of Science in Nursing Concentration in Nursing Education**

**Program Coordinator:** Lisa Thomas

**Program Advisor:** Lisa Thomas

The Master of Science in Nursing (M.S.N.) with a concentration in Nursing Education is designed for graduates with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing who wish to expand their careers into education or leadership. All courses are offered in hybrid/blended learning format, combining online with traditional on campus classroom experiences. The program prepares nurses with a strong theoretical foundation in research, nursing and related theories, healthcare policy, informatics/technology, ethics, and cultural competency and as well as practice expertise as a nurse educator or nurse leader.

The master's degree in nursing at Framingham State University is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE), (<http://www.aacn.nche.edu/ccne-accreditation>).

## **Admission Requirements**

**Note:** Applications are accepted only for enrollment in the fall semester every year. The following admission and degree requirements will be effective for Fall 2013 MSN students.

1. Applicants must have a current unrestricted Massachusetts RN license.
2. Applicants must have earned a baccalaureate of science in nursing (BSN) degree from a regionally accredited college or university which is nationally accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE), the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN), and/or the National League for Nursing Commission for Nursing Education Accreditation (CNEA); and must submit an official transcript from each college or university attended as an undergraduate or graduate student. Applicants who have completed any college-level coursework, including a Bachelor of Science in Nursing from a foreign nursing school, need to submit a course-by-course evaluation for United States equivalency by the Commission on Graduates of Foreign Nursing Schools and official transcripts from their institution(s) overseas.
3. Applicants are required to possess an overall undergraduate grade point average (GPA) of at least 3.00 on a 4.00 scale, and a minimum of a 3.25 GPA in undergraduate nursing courses.
4. Applicants who do not meet the above criteria for undergraduate GPA may be asked to take NURS 701 Preparation for Success in the Graduate Nursing Program, a one credit preparatory class offered in the summer.
5. Applicants must have completed an undergraduate, introductory course in statistics with a minimum grade of C (2.00 on a 4.00 scale).
6. Applicants must have a personal interview with the Nursing Chairperson or Graduate Program Coordinator.
7. Applicants must provide two letters of recommendation from nurses with an MSN who can attest to the applicant's ability to succeed in a master's program, submitted on the Framingham State University Letter of Recommendation form and sent directly to the University by the recommender.
8. Applicants must submit a typed, 300-word personal statement discussing their motivation for seeking a master's degree in view of prior formal education, current job responsibilities and career plans.

### **Courses before Admission and Transfer Credit**

Interested applicants can may take up to two graduate-level Nursing courses, with Program Director/Coordinator approval and seat availability, as a non-matriculated student prior to applying to the program. Upon successful completion of the program course(s) and admission to the Master of Science in Nursing program, the course(s) will be applied as credit earned. Taking classes as a non-matriculated student does not guarantee admission in the Master of Science in Nursing program. Recommended courses are NURC 915 Advanced Technology and Nursing Informatics in the fall or NURC 905 Health and Education Resources and Policies in the spring.

Transfer coursework is not accepted for the MSN program.

### **Program Requirements**

This program consists of ten (10) course-credits or 40 semester hours. Students take a Common Core of six (6) courses, and then select a four (4) course concentration in either Nursing Education or Nursing Leadership. A thesis, an evidence-based research project/paper, will be completed as part of the requirements for the Common Core courses.

#### **Common Core (6)**

NURC 905 Health and Education Resources and Policies

NURC 915 Advanced Technology and Nursing Informatics

NURC 925 Ethical, Social and Cultural Competencies

NURC 935 Essential Preparation for Advanced Nursing Role

NURC 971 Nursing Theory and Research I

NURC 972 Nursing Theory and Research II

#### **Nursing Education Concentration (4)**

NURE 941 Curriculum Design and Evaluation

NURE 951 Course Development and Implementation

NURE 981 Advanced Teaching Methods

NURE 991 Application of Technology to Education



# **Master of Science in Nursing**

## **Concentration in Nursing Leadership**

**Program Coordinator:** Lisa Thomas

**Program Advisor:** Lisa Thomas

The Master of Science in Nursing (M.S.N.) with a concentration in Nursing Leadership is designed for graduates with a Bachelor of Science in Nursing who wish to expand their careers into education or leadership. Two concentrations are offered: Nursing Education and Nursing Leadership. All courses are offered in hybrid format, combining online with traditional on campus classroom experiences. The program prepares nurses with a strong theoretical foundation in research, nursing and related theories, healthcare policy, ethics, cultural competency, and informatics/technology as well as practice expertise as a nurse educator or nurse leader.

The master's degree in nursing at Framingham State University is accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE), (<http://www.aacn.nche.edu/ccne-accreditation>).

### **Admission Requirements**

**Note:** Applications are accepted only for enrollment in the fall semester every year. The following admission and degree requirements will be effective for Fall 2013 MSN students.

1. Applicants must have a current unrestricted Massachusetts RN license.
2. Applicants must have earned a baccalaureate of science in nursing (BSN) degree from a regionally accredited college or university which is nationally accredited by the Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education (CCNE), the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing (ACEN), and/or the National League for Nursing Commission for Nursing Education Accreditation (CNEA); and must submit an official transcript from each college or university attended as an undergraduate or graduate student. Applicants who have completed any college-level coursework, including a Bachelor of Science in Nursing from a foreign nursing school, need to submit a course-by-course evaluation for United States equivalency by the Commission on Graduates of Foreign Nursing Schools and official transcripts from their institution(s) overseas.
3. Applicants are required to possess an overall undergraduate grade point average (GPA) of at least 3.00 on a 4.00 scale, and a minimum of a 3.25 GPA in undergraduate nursing courses.
4. Applicants who do not meet the above criteria for undergraduate GPA may be asked to take NURS 701 Preparation for Success in the Graduate Nursing Program, a one credit preparatory class offered in the summer.
5. Applicants must have completed an undergraduate, introductory course in statistics with a minimum grade of C (2.00 on a 4.00 scale).
6. Applicants must have a personal interview with the Nursing Chairperson or Graduate Program Coordinator.
7. Applicants must provide two letters of recommendation from nurses with an MSN who can attest to the applicant's ability to succeed in a master's program, submitted on the Framingham State University Letter of Recommendation form and sent directly to the University by the recommender.
8. Applicants must submit a typed, 300-word personal statement discussing their motivation for seeking a master's degree in view of prior formal education, current job responsibilities and career plans.

### **Courses before Admission and Transfer Credit**

Interested applicants can may take up to two graduate-level Nursing courses, with Program Director/Coordinator approval and seat availability, as a non-matriculated student prior to applying to the program. Upon successful completion of the program course(s) and admission to the Master of Science in Nursing program, the course(s) will be applied as credit earned. Taking classes as a non-matriculated student does not guarantee admission in the Master of Science in Nursing program. Recommended courses are NURC 915 Advanced Technology and Nursing Informatics in the fall or NURC 905 Health and Education Resources and Policies in the spring.

Transfer coursework is not accepted for the MSN program.

### **Program Requirements**

This program consists of ten (10) course-credits or 40 semester hours. Students take a Common Core of six (6) courses, and then select a four (4) course concentration in either Nursing Education or Nursing Leadership. A thesis, an evidence-based research project/paper, will be completed as part of the requirements for the Common Core courses.

#### **Common Core (6)**

- NURC 905 Health and Education Resources and Policies
- NURC 915 Advanced Technology and Nursing Informatics
- NURC 925 Ethical, Social and Cultural Competencies
- NURC 935 Essential Preparation for Advanced Nursing Role
- NURC 971 Nursing Theory and Research I
- NURC 972 Nursing Theory and Research II

#### **Nursing Leadership Concentration (4)**

- NURL 943 Strategic Planning for Nursing's Future
- NURL 953 Role in Health Care Systems
- NURL 983 Practicum in Organizational Management
- NURL 993 Internship in Independent Leadership Skills

# Professional Science Master's

## Concentration in Biotechnology

### Specialization in Quality Assurance

**Program Coordinator:** Dr. Margaret Carroll

**Program Advisor:** Dr. Margaret Carroll

The Professional Science Master's (PSM) with a concentration in Biotechnology, specialization in Quality Assurance provides industry-focused scientific and management training to life science professionals, positioning them for future success in managerial or supervisory roles as they advance in their careers. Aligned with the University's institutional mission of offering programs that produce qualified graduates needed for the Commonwealth job market, the Biotechnology program is flexible and adaptable to the diverse needs of employers in the Massachusetts life sciences community. This PSM program includes the option of earning a Certificate in Quality Assurance in Biotechnology.

Students in this program will gain:

- Acquisition of specific knowledge about biotechnology and related sub-disciplines
- Hands-on experience in biotechnology industry through a summer internship
- Networking contacts within the biotechnology industry
- Increase in potential for employment, pay, and promotion

### Application Deadline

Applications are accepted for enrollment into this program for the fall and spring semesters, every year. Completed applications should be on file with the Graduate Admissions Office by July 1<sup>st</sup> for fall semester admission and by December 1<sup>st</sup> for spring semester admission. Applications received after this date cannot be guaranteed timely matriculation into the fall semester.

### Admission Requirements

Applicants must:

1. Have earned a baccalaureate or master's degree from a regionally accredited college or university in a related life sciences discipline and must submit an official transcript from each college or university attended as an undergraduate or graduate student.
  - a. Have an overall undergraduate grade point average (GPA) of at least 2.50 on a 4.00 scale including acceptable grades in science course.
  - b. Have coursework or training in statistics, or cell biology, genetics, and/or molecular biology must have been successfully completed within the last five years. Applicants may be required to complete additional coursework prior to being permitted to enroll in courses for this graduate program.
2. Provide two (2) current letters of recommendation from faculty, supervisors, and/or colleagues.
3. Provide a current resume or curriculum vitae.
4. Submit a 300-word statement of purpose explaining their motivation for seeking this Professional Science Master's degree program.

The Graduate Admissions Committee will begin review of applicant materials upon receipt of all required documents. Complete applications include: application form, two current letters of recommendation, 300-word personal statement, and all official undergraduate and graduate transcripts.

## **Program Requirements**

The program requires a minimum of 13 courses: 10 core courses, two elective courses, one 400-hour industry-based capstone internship course. Students are admitted to the program in the fall semester and are expected to complete the part-time program in 2.5 years (7 semesters – includes summer). Students who begin the program but cannot complete the degree requirements with their incoming cohort may, with the guidance and approval of the Program Director, develop an alternative plan for completion. All degree requirements must be completed within six years of entering the program.

Students who enter the program with appropriate graduate credits may, at the discretion of the Program Director, receive transfer credit for up to two (2) courses in the program. However, students cannot receive transfer credit for the capstone internship course.

### **Undergraduate Prerequisite Courses:**

Admitted students who do not have coursework or training in statistics, or cell biology, genetics, and/or molecular biology must have been successfully completed within the last five years may be required to complete undergraduate coursework prior to being permitted to enroll in courses for this graduate program.

## **Concentration/Specialization Requirements:**

### **Concentration/Specialization Core Courses (10):**

BIOT 903 Drug Development: Process and Regulations

BIOT 908 Quality Assurance and Quality Control for Biotechnology  
and Biopharmaceuticals

BIOT 930 Good Laboratory Practices (GLP) in Biotechnology Laboratory Techniques

BIOT 941 Molecular Biotechnology

BIOT 952 Scientific and Technical Communication in Biotechnology

BIOT 966 Ethical Implications of Biotechnology

BUIS 956 Project Management for Biotechnology

MATH 924 Data Analyses and Statistical Concepts in Biotechnology

MGMT 921 Business Operations Management for Biotechnology

MGMT 945 Management and Leadership for Biotechnology

### **Elective Courses (2):**

Elective courses will not be offered each semester. Students should meet with their program advisor regularly to discuss when electives may be offered.

BIOT 970 Current Topics in Genetics, Epigenetics, and Genomics

BIOT 972 Cells and Systems

BIOT 974 Applied Immunology

BIOT 978 Drug Discovery

BIOT 980 Biotechnology Patent Law

BUIS 933 Enterprise Information Technology

CHEM 936 Current Topics in Biochemistry

ENTR 920 Intrapreneurship and Entrepreneurship

MGMT 911 Organization Behavior and Theory

MGMT 971 Communication and Negotiation

### **Capstone Courses (1):**

BIOT 995 Biotechnology Internship

# Graduate Certificate Programs

## Graduate Certificate programs are available in:

Anti-Racist STEM Education	Nursing Case Management
Bilingual Education	Public Administration
Fundamentals of Biotechnology	School Nutrition Specialist
Healthcare Administration	STEM Education
Human Resource Management	Teaching of English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL)
Instructional Technology Proficiency (Online)	Quality Assurance for Biotechnology

## Post-Master's Certificate programs are available in:

Reading Specialist	Nursing Leadership
Nursing Education	

## Admission Requirements

Applicants applying for most graduate certificate programs at Framingham State University must have earned an undergraduate degree from a regionally accredited college or university, with a minimum undergraduate grade point average (GPA) of 2.80.

Students not meeting this requirement may be reconsidered for admission after completing one (1) prescribed course in the certificate program. Other admission standards may apply depending on the certificate program.

## Transfer Credit

No transfer credit is permitted in a certificate program.

## Course Requirement Waiver

Students may petition to have one (1) graduate course waived for their certificate program based on graduate coursework completed elsewhere. Student must obtain written approval from the certificate program's advisor.

## Time Limits

Students are given up to four (4) calendar years to complete the certificate program. Students who cease taking courses for one (1) fall or spring semester will be considered inactive. Upon returning to active status, they would be readmitted under the curriculum then in place.

## Academic Dismissal

Students who are enrolled in a graduate certificate program and receive one grade below B- (2.70) will be subject to immediate dismissal. Upon notification, the student will have one (1) semester to make a formal written appeal of the dismissal to the Graduate Education Council.

## Completion Requirements

Students must have a minimum B- (2.70) average or above in the program in order to earn a certificate. Additional requirements may apply depending on the certificate program.

# Mary Miles Bibb Graduate Certificate in Anti-Racist STEM Education

The Mary Miles Bibb Graduate Certificate in Anti-Racist STEM Education offers STEM Education Professionals, including higher education faculty and P-12 teachers, training that will empower them to become equity-focused, anti-racist educational leaders who are prepared to broaden participation and inclusion in STEM. The certificate consists of four courses that reveal key aspects of the histories and practices of science and medicine that have led to issues of racial inequity and lack of representation. This program offers the theoretical framework necessary to apply an equity lens in the development and adoption of successful teaching practices in both formal and informal STEM learning environments.

## Program Overview and Goals

The Mary Miles Bibb Graduate Certificate Program in Anti-Racist STEM Education will empower educational Professionals, higher education faculty and P-12 teachers, who support and teach STEM students to approach their work through an equity lens, with the goal of broadening the participation of underrepresented racial minority students in STEM. Practitioners who complete this certificate will be familiar with the history of systemic racism in the United States broadly and within the disciplines of science and medicine, specifically. They will be prepared with knowledge of tools that can be used to dismantle practices and policies that perpetuate the traditional barriers to broadening participation in STEM.

## Learning Outcomes

The following goals will be achieved:

- Determine the origins of systemic racism and systemic oppression in the United States and its impact on underrepresented racial minority students in STEM.
- Identify how unconscious bias manifests in STEM disciplines and implement strategies and practices to counteract implicit biases in the STEM classroom.
- Adapt and implement policies, practices, and behaviors to provide equitable opportunities for growth, contribution, advancement, and a sense of belonging in the STEM classroom.
- Implement accountability measures and routines to assess and reinforce equity and justice in the STEM classroom.
- Use an anti-racist lens to develop a project proposal in an area of practice that includes, but is not limited to, teaching, scholarship, advising, or service.

## Admission Requirements

- a. A baccalaureate degree or higher from a regionally accredited college or university;
- b. Have a minimum undergraduate quality point average of 3.00 on a 4.00 scale;
- c. Experience working in an educational setting;
- d. Two letters of recommendation;
- e. All higher education transcripts;
- f. A personal statement that addresses the applicant's motivation to pursue this certificate program and goals for applying new knowledge to their work environment.

## Transfer Credit

No transfer credit is allowed in this certificate program.

## Curriculum Requirements

The following four (4) courses are required for the Certificate in Educational Leadership:

STME 910 History of Systemic Racism in STEM Education

STEM 930 Inequity and Implicit Biases in STEM Education Practices

STME 950 Applying an Anti-racist Lens to STEM Education

STME 970 Applied Anti-Racist Pedagogy in STEM Education

## Completion Requirement

Students must have a minimum C+ or above in the certificate program course in order to earn the certificate.

# Graduate Certificate in Bilingual Education

The Graduate Certificate in Bilingual Education is intended for multilingual educators currently teaching or aspiring to teach in a dual language/bilingual classroom. The goal of the program is to provide teachers with the theoretical and practical knowledge to support students in meeting the goals of dual language education including bilingualism and biliteracy, high academic achievement in two languages, and sociocultural competence. Participants in the Bilingual Education Endorsement Certificate Program will have completed the necessary requirements for the subject matter knowledge and field experience components of the Bilingual Educator Endorsement. In addition, to qualify for the Bilingual Educator Endorsement from the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (MA DESE), a passing score on the Massachusetts Teacher Education Licensure (MTEL) world language proficiency exam is required.

## Program Overview and Goals

The Certificate in Bilingual Education assists candidates in developing the necessary knowledge and skills to teach in a bilingual/dual language program. This certificate program provides candidates with the coursework to fulfill the subject matter knowledge and field experience requirements for the Bilingual Educator Endorsement.

## Learning Outcomes

The following goals will be achieved:

- Develop an in-depth understanding of the history, theories, models, and practices in bilingual and dual education;
- Use and apply their knowledge of biliteracy and oral language development to create high-quality lessons, and integrated language, literacy, and content units including appropriate and valid assessments;
- Develop and apply a lens of equity and linguistic justice in analyzing and constructing policies, programs, and through instructional design;
- Demonstrate skills by applying this knowledge through a field experience in a bilingual/dual language setting.

## Admission Requirements

Applicants applying for a graduate certificate must have earned an undergraduate degree from a regionally accredited college or university. An applicant with a foreign degree must submit official transcripts to an accredited evaluation agency. Names of the accredited evaluation agencies are available upon request.

The applicant must have earned a baccalaureate degree from an accredited college or university, with a minimum grade point average of 2.80.

## Certificate Prerequisite:

LTRC 907 Literacy Instruction\* or equivalent course

*\*This may be waived for candidates who meet the proficiency requirements upon admission.*

## Transfer Credit

No transfer credit is allowed in this certificate program.

## Curriculum Requirements

The following four (4) courses are required for the Certificate in Bilingual Education:

BBED 910 Principles and Foundations of Bilingual and Dual Language Education

BBED 930 Biliteracy and Oral Language Development

BBED 950 Curriculum Development: Lesson and Unit Planning in Bilingual Programs

BBED 970 Assessment and Field Experience in Bilingual Education

# Graduate Certificate

## in Fundamentals of Biotechnology

The Graduate Certificate in the Fundamentals for Biotechnology offers life science or relevant professionals foundational knowledge in the basic operation of the biotech industry and may be earned separately or as part of the Professional Science Master's (PSM) program in Biotechnology. The certificate consists of three courses that combine training in biotech operation, regulatory affairs, and scientific applications to provide a foundation for successful entry and continuous learning within a biopharmaceutical organization.

### Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of the Graduate Certificate in Fundamentals of Biotechnology, students will

- Summarize the overview of the drug product development process, through an understanding of the key stages and importance of regulatory requirements.
- Apply the principles of Quality Systems Requirements in product quality assurance and quality control within a regulatory environment.
- Design and evaluate data acquisition in product discovery and development with the knowledge of statistical requirements and applications.
- Analyze fundamental knowledge about biotechnology and related sub-disciplines within the industry.

### Admission Requirements

The certificate program is open to individuals who have earned a baccalaureate degree in any field from a regionally accredited college or university.

Applicants must:

- Submit a completed Graduate Certificate Application form.
- Have earned a baccalaureate degree in life sciences or relevant discipline from a regionally-accredited college or university and have final GPA of 2.80 or higher.
- Submit official transcripts of all undergraduate and graduate work.
- Submit a Statement of Purpose which includes the applicant's professional goals.

For further information about the Graduate Certificate in Fundamentals of Biotechnology, please contact the Office of Graduate Admissions at 508-626-4501.

### Transfer Credit

No transfer credit is permitted in this certificate program.

### Certificate Course Requirements (3):

To be awarded the Graduate Certificate in Fundamentals of Biotechnology, students must complete the following three (3) courses with a grade of “B-” (2.70) or better:

BIOT 903 Drug Development: Process and Regulations

BIOT 908 Quality Assurance and Quality Control for Biotechnology  
and Biopharmaceuticals

MATH 924 Data Analyses and Statistical Concepts in Biotechnology



# Graduate Certificate in Healthcare Administration

The Graduate Certificate in Healthcare Administration program is designed for individuals who would like to gain a solid foundation in healthcare administration topics as a means to explore a career in healthcare administration, develop specific healthcare management skills, or to take the first steps to pursuing a master's degree in healthcare administration. Students who successfully complete the certificate program can later apply these courses to the Master of Healthcare Administration program, once an application has been submitted and accepted. The Certificate program is composed of five (5) graduate-level healthcare administration courses covering healthcare management and delivery, laws and regulations, strategic planning, finance and informatics and technology.

## Admission Requirements

The certificate program is open to individuals who have earned a baccalaureate degree in any field from a regionally accredited college or university.

Applicants must:

1. submit a completed Graduate Certificate Application form.
2. have an undergraduate grade point average (GPA) of 2.80 or higher.
3. submit official transcripts of all undergraduate and graduate work.
4. submit a Statement of Purpose which includes the applicant's professional goals.
5. provide two Letters of Recommendation.

For further information about the Graduate Certificate in Healthcare Administration, please contact the Office of Graduate Admissions at 508-626-4501.

## Transfer Credit

No transfer credit is permitted in this certificate program.

## Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of the Graduate Certificate in Healthcare Administration program, students will have acquired the foundational knowledge and skills necessary to manage healthcare services, resulting in their abilities to:

- identify all aspects of the healthcare system and its development, policy, laws, regulations, and ethics;
- integrate into practice the theory and application of healthcare economics and financing, insurance, operational considerations and budgeting;
- develop, monitor, and evaluate a healthcare strategic plan;
- integrate healthcare informatics and technology into the records management system;
- collaborate and communicate effectively and professionally with all stakeholders.

## Certificate Course Requirements (5):

To be awarded the Graduate Certificate in Healthcare Administration, students must complete the following five (5) courses with a grade of "B-" (2.70) or better:

HCAD 901 Healthcare Policy

HCAD 914 Healthcare Economics and Finance

HCAD 936 Healthcare Strategic Planning and Marketing

HCAD 940 Healthcare Informatics and Technology

### Choose One (1) Elective Course (1)

HCAD 930 Managing Operations

HCAD 956 Continuous Quality Improvement of Healthcare Services

HCAD 961 Healthcare Insurance and Managed Care

HCAD 976 Public Health

# Graduate Certificate in Human Resource Management

The Graduate Certificate in Human Resource Management is designed for persons who are currently working in the field of human resource management or who aspire to work in this field.

## Admission Requirements

The applicant must have earned a baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited college or university.

For further information about the Graduate Certificate in Human Resource Management, please contact the Office of Graduate Admissions at 508-626-4501.

## Transfer Credit

No transfer credit is allowed in this certificate program.

## Certificate Course Requirements (5):

MGMT 900 Foundations of Human Resource Management

MGMT 922 Employment Law

MGMT 934 Human Resource Information Systems

MGMT 955 Compensation and Performance Management

MGMT 963 Employee Benefits

# Graduate Certificate

## Instructional Technology Proficiency

*NOTE: All courses are offered online.*

The Graduate Certificate in Instructional Technology Proficiency is a part of the Curriculum and Instructional Technology Program under the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education. The focus of the certificate is on the integration of current and emerging technology tools into classroom instruction. It is designed for school personnel who want to further their knowledge and skills in the use of technology in teaching elementary, middle, and high school students. The certificate is also appropriate for classroom supervisors who are responsible for evaluating technology integration but who have not had the benefit of formal technology courses. This program does not lead to any type of educator licensure in Massachusetts.

All courses leading to this certificate are offered online.

### Admission Requirements

Individuals holding a teacher licensure or who work in an educational setting are eligible to apply for admission. The applicant must have earned a baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited college or university.

### Transfer Credit

No transfer credit is allowed in this certificate program.

### Curriculum Requirements (4):

INST 941 Internet for 21<sup>st</sup> Century Teaching and Learning

INST 943 Impact of Technology on Education

Choose two (2) from the following:

INST 951 Mathematics Instruction with Technology

INST 954 Technology Infrastructure Management

INST 959 Systemic Change: Curriculum, Instructional Technology, and Professional Development.

INST 968 Introduction to Assistive Technology

# Graduate Certificate

## in Professional Case Management

With the Affordable Care Act goal to foster innovation of low-cost healthcare delivery models, many accountable healthcare organizations (ACOs) are using case managers to help provide high-quality coordinated patient care. According to the Case Management Society of America (CMSA), case managers help meet comprehensive health needs through communication and using available resources to promote patient safety, quality of care, and cost-effective outcomes (CMSA, 2017). Case managers need to have knowledge of the case management process, analyze the standards of practice for case management, utilization management, benefit management, resource coordination, and transition of care.

The Graduate Certificate in Professional Case Management is comprised of three case management courses, two didactic courses and one practicum course. The certificate provides students with the essential knowledge, skills, and attitudes to be effective professional case managers. Certificate completers may be eligible for the Certified Case Manager (CCM) Exam offered by the Commission for Case Manager Certification (CCMC) and the Accredited Case Manager Certification (ACM) Examination offered by the American Case Manager Association (ACMA).

### Certificate Outcomes:

Upon completion of the graduate certificate program, students will be able to:

- Analyze the concepts, standards of practice, and trends in healthcare that define and impact the role of case managers.
- Employ knowledge of case management principles, health promotion, care coordination, and quality management within healthcare systems.
- Demonstrate proficiency in providing case management services to individuals in healthcare environments.
- Implement case management practices and standards in healthcare settings.

### Admission Requirements

- Submit a completed Graduate Certificate Application form.
- Submit official transcripts of all undergraduate and graduate work (if applicable).
- Hold a current, unrestricted Registered Nurse (RN license) and BSN degree; Social Worker (LSW, LCSW, LICSW), Physical Therapist (PT), or Occupational Therapist (OTR/L) license.
- Submit a Statement of Purpose which includes the applicant's professional goals.

For further information about the Graduate Certificate in Professional Case Management, please contact the Office of Graduate Admissions at 508-626-4501.

### Transfer Credit

No transfer credit is permitted in this certificate program.

### Certificate Course Requirements (3):

NURM 910: Professional Foundations and Care Coordination

NURM 920: Quality Management and Health Promotion

NURM 980: Seminar and Externship in Case Management

### Completion Requirements

To be successfully complete the graduate certificate, the student must have a GPA of 3.00 overall and complete the following courses with a B- (2.7) or better:

# Graduate Certificate in Public Administration

The Graduate Certificate in Public Administration program provides students with the essential knowledge and skills needed to meet the administrative and management challenges of today's public sector and nonprofit organizations. It is designed for individuals who would like to gain a solid foundation in public administration topics for career transition or advancement into the public or nonprofit sectors, or to take the first step toward pursuing a master's degree in public administration. Courses in the program build the knowledge base necessary for decision making, planning, administrative effectiveness, budgeting, and critical thinking, as well as the management and leadership skills essential for success. Students who successfully complete the certificate program can later apply these courses to the Master of Public Administration degree program (MPA), once an application has been submitted and accepted. The certificate program is composed of five (5) graduate-level courses, three of which are core courses and two of which are electives.

## Admission Requirements

The certificate program is open to individuals who have earned a baccalaureate degree in any field from a regionally accredited college or university.

Applicants must:

- submit a completed Graduate Certificate Application form.
- have an undergraduate grade point average (GPA) of 2.80 or higher.
- submit official transcripts of all undergraduate and graduate work.
- submit a Statement of Purpose which includes the applicant's professional goals.
- provide two Letters of Recommendation.

For further information about the Graduate Certificate in Public Administration, please contact the Office of Graduate Admissions at 508-626-4501.

## Transfer Credit

No transfer credit is permitted in this certificate program.

## Certificate Course Requirements (5):

Students must earn an overall GPA of 3.00 or higher for successful completion of the certificate. A student shall be dismissed upon a grade of "F" or when the student's GPA remains below 3.00 for two consecutive semesters. To be awarded the Graduate Certificate in Public Administration, students must complete all courses with a grade of "B-" (2.7) or better.

### Core Courses:

PADM 901 Foundations of Public Administration

PADM 929 Techniques of Policy Analysis

PADM 937 Techniques of Public Budgeting & Resource Management

### Choose Two (2) Electives from the following:

MGMT 904 Management and Leadership

PADM 911 Grantsmanship and Development

PADM 932 Managing Public Sector Projects

PADM 957 Risk Management and Fiscal Analysis

PADM 981 Personnel Management in the Public Sector

# Graduate Certificate

## in School Nutrition Specialist

The Graduate Certificate in School Nutrition Specialist (SNS) combines the advanced study of applied nutrition with the development of knowledge, skills and competencies necessary to provide school nutrition services. The certificate is designed for those who wish to fulfill the academic and internship requirements to become a School Nutrition Specialist (SNS). For information on these requirements and the national credentialing examination, visit the School Nutrition Association website at [www.schoolnutrition.org](http://www.schoolnutrition.org).

### Certificate Outcomes

Upon completion of the graduate certificate, students will:

- Prepare to assume district level/supervisory positions in school nutrition
- Understand and assess the nutritional needs of diverse populations, especially of school-aged children at risk and of limited income
- Perform the variety of tasks required for operating successful school foodservice programs
- Prepare to communicate effectively in interactions with other professionals and stakeholders
- Be prepared to sit for the national Nutrition Specialist Credentialing Exam.

### Admission Requirements

- Applicants must have earned a baccalaureate degree in a related field from a regionally accredited college or university and must submit an official transcript from each college or university attended as an undergraduate or graduate student. Bachelor's degree in a related field includes: food and nutrition, hospitality, or business with coursework covering the following areas:
  - Basic nutrition (course must be within last 5 years) or NUED 910 Nutrition Science in the Classroom
  - Foodservice systems
  - Management
  - Basic financial and cost accounting
- Applicants are required to possess an overall grade point average (GPA) of at least 2.80 on a 4.00 scale.
- Current Manager ServSafe Certification (or equivalent) good through expected date for completion of program.
- Applicants must provide two letters of recommendation from professors, supervisors, and/or colleagues, submitted with the Framingham State University Letter of Recommendation form and sent directly to the University by the recommender.
- Applicants must submit a typed, 300-word personal statement discussing their motivation for seeking the School Nutrition Specialist certification in view of prior formal education, current job responsibilities, and career plans.
- Personal or phone interview required.

Applicants are evaluated based on numerous factors including previous college coursework; letters of recommendation; and personal statement.

For further information about the Graduate Certificate in School Nutrition Specialist, please contact the Office of Graduate Admissions at 508-626-4501.

### Transfer Credit

No transfer credit is permitted in this certificate program.

### Certificate Course Requirements (3):

- NUED 900 Leadership in Excellence in School Nutrition
- NUED 901 Seminar and Practicum I in School Nutrition
- NUED 902 Seminar and Practicum II in School Nutrition

# Graduate Certificate in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) Education

The Graduate Certificate in Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) Education is designed to broaden the knowledge and deepen the understanding of content for middle and high school science, technology/engineering and mathematics teachers. It will prepare K-12 teachers to integrate science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) concepts into their lesson plans. The program provides in-depth content knowledge and pedagogy through the integration of technology in this multi-disciplinary program. The certificate three (3) courses will provide a comprehensive understanding of applied research science, technology, engineering principles, and math, as well as the integration of these disciplines into classroom curricula. Graduates will gain experience in how to incorporate STEM concepts into early childhood, elementary, and special education classrooms to improve student learning and appreciation for science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. The certificate is designed for working professionals with evening and summer classes available in a combination of hybrid or online.

## Certificate Learning Outcomes:

- Analyze existing STEM curricula.
- Dispel common misconceptions related to the interconnectedness of science systems.
- Develop curricula in technology education and for STEM course.

## Admission Requirements

The applicant must have earned a baccalaureate degree from a regionally-accredited college or university.

## Curriculum Requirements

The following three (3) courses are required for the Certificate in STEM Education:

STEM 945 21<sup>st</sup> Century Technology Tools for Teaching and Learning

STEM 959 Examining the World through Data and Shape

STEM 962 A World Connected: Interdependence and Systems in Science

For further information about the Graduate Certificate in STEM Education please contact the office of Graduate Admissions at 508-626-4501

# **Graduate Certificate in Concentration in the Teaching of English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL)**

The Graduate Certificate in the Teaching of English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) is intended for mainstream teachers whose classrooms include English language learners whose limited language level hinders academic performance. The goal of the program is to provide teachers with the theoretical and practical knowledge needed to identify English language learners' needs and promote learning and academic success for these students.

## **Admission Requirements**

The applicant must have earned a baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited college or university, with a minimum undergraduate grade point average of 2.80.

For further information about the Graduate Certificate in the Teaching of English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL), please contact Dr. Marguerite Mahler, Modern Languages Department, at [mmahler@framingham.edu](mailto:mmahler@framingham.edu).

## **Curriculum Requirements (4):**

Required Core Course:

TESL 913 Current Issues in Second Language Acquisition

One (1) course from the following:

TESL 901 Language Structure: Phonetics and Morphology

TESL 902 Language Structure: Syntax, Semantics, and Pragmatics

One (1) course from the following:

TESL 936 The Teaching of Second Language Skills

TESL 948 Teaching Reading and Writing in the English Immersion Classroom

One (1) course from the following:

TESL 920 Technology in the Second Language Classroom

TESL 966 Seminar in Applied Linguistics



# Graduate Certificate

## in Quality Assurance for Biotechnology

The Graduate Certificate in Quality Assurance for Biotechnology may be earned separately or as part of the Professional Science Master's (PSM) program in Biotechnology and offers life science professionals foundational training for a role in Quality Assurance in Biotechnology. The certificate consists of five courses that combine training in quality assurance with applicable scientific concepts and regulatory affairs and provide a foundation for successful liaison with the various departments involved in quality assurance within an organization.

### Certificate Outcomes

Upon completion of the graduate certificate, students will:

- Acquire discipline-specific knowledge about biotechnology and related sub-disciplines.
- Meet and network with contacts within the biotechnology industry.
- Increase their potential for employment and success within the field of Quality Assurance.

### Admission Requirements

The certificate program is open to individuals who have earned a baccalaureate degree in a life sciences field (with coursework in statistics and biochemistry, molecular biology, cell biology, or genetics) from a regionally accredited college or university.

Applicants must:

1. submit a completed Graduate Certificate Application form
2. have an undergraduate grade point average (GPA) of 2.80 or higher.
3. submit official transcripts of all undergraduate and graduate work
4. submit a Statement of Purpose which includes the applicant's professional goals
5. provide two Letters of Recommendation

For further information about the Graduate Certificate in Quality Assurance for Biotechnology, please contact the Office of Graduate Admissions at 508-626-4501.

### Transfer Credit

No transfer credit is allowed in this certificate program.

### Certificate Course Requirements (5):

BIOT 903 Drug Development: Process and Regulations

BIOT 908 Quality Assurance and Quality Control for Biotechnology  
and Biopharmaceuticals

BIOT 930 Biotechnology Laboratory Techniques

MATH 924 Data Analyses and Statistical Concepts in Biotechnology

MGMT 921 Business Operations Management for Biotechnology

# Post-Master's Certificate

## in Nursing Education

The Post-Master's Certificate in Nursing Education is comprised of four graduate level nursing education courses, including two practicum courses. The certificate provides students with the essential knowledge, skills, and expertise to be effective nursing educators. Graduates may be eligible for the Certified Nurse Education (CNE) Exam offered by the National League of Nursing (NLN).

**Certificate Outcomes:** Upon completion of the post-master's certificate, students will be able to:

- Analyze the issues and trends in healthcare and higher education and their impact on nursing education.
- Apply theories of education and related sciences and evidence-based practice as a basis for nursing education.
- Participate knowledgeably in the development, implementation, revision, and evaluation of nursing curricula and nursing programs.
- Utilize a variety of teaching methods, technology strategies, and educational resources to facilitate learning in the classroom, laboratory, and clinical areas and to enhance student and staff development.

### Admission Requirements

- The program is open to Registered Nurses (RN's) who possess a Master of Science in Nursing (M.S.N.) degree from an NLNAC or CCNE accredited nursing program, with a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 3.50 on a 4.00 scale;
- Hold a current Massachusetts, Rhode Island, or New Hampshire nursing license;
- Provide two letters of recommendation from Master's prepared nurses;
- Personal statement of professional goals;
- Complete the Graduate Certificate Application form to apply for the Post-Master's Certificate in Nursing Education.

For further information about the Post-Master's Certificate in Nursing Education, please contact the Office of Graduate Admissions at 508-626-4501.

### Transfer Credit

No transfer credit is permitted in this certificate program.

### Certificate Course Requirements (4):

NURE 941 Curriculum Design and Evaluation

NURE 951 Course Development and Implementation

NURE 981 Advanced Teaching Methods (Practicum I)

NURE 991 Application of Technology to Education (Practicum II)

# Post-Master's Certificate in Nursing Leadership

The Post-Master's Certificate in Nursing Leadership is comprised of four graduate level nursing education courses, including two practicum courses. The certificate will provide students with the essential knowledge, skills, and expertise to be effective nurse leaders and managers in a variety of roles. Graduates may be eligible for the *Nurse Executive* specialty certification through the American Nurses Credentialing Center (ANCC), or the *Clinical Nurse Leader* (CNL) certification through the Commission of Nurse Certifications (CNC), an affiliate of the American Association of Colleges of Nursing (AACN).

**Certificate Outcomes:** Upon completion of the post-master's certificate, students will be able to:

- Model key behaviors of nursing leadership to execute an effective structured team process
- Apply leadership and management principles in the allocation and organization of personnel and resources in a variety of health care delivery systems.
- Practice leadership skills including communication, decision making, team building, mentoring, and empowerment to successfully assume a nurse leader role.
- Design, implement, and evaluate a change project that contributes to the improved functioning of a healthcare organization.

## Admission Requirements

- The program is open to Registered Nurses (RN's) who possess a Master of Science in Nursing (M.S.N.) degree from an NLNAC or CCNE accredited nursing program, with a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 3.50 on a 4.00 scale;
- Hold a current Massachusetts, Rhode Island, or New Hampshire nursing license;
- Provide two letters of recommendation from Master's prepared nurses;
- Personal statement of professional goals;
- Complete the Graduate Certificate Application form to apply for the Post-Master's Certificate in Nursing Education.

For further information about the Post-Master's Certificate in Nursing Education, please contact the Office of Graduate Admissions at 508-626-4501.

## Transfer Credit

No transfer credit is permitted in this certificate program.

## Certificate Course Requirements (4):

NURL 943 Strategic Planning for Nursing's Future

NURL 953 Role in Health Care Systems

NURL 983 Practicum in Organizational Management (Practicum I)

NURL 993 Internship in Independent Leadership Skills (Practicum II)

# Post-Master's Certificate

## in Reading Specialist

The Post-Master's Certificate in Reading Specialist program, along with a supervised practicum, enables Reading Specialist candidates to meet the requirements for Initial Licensure in Massachusetts as a Specialist Teacher: Reading. This license, as issued by the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) qualifies recipients to work in the area of reading and language arts with students at all age and grade levels.

The certificate program conforms to the ILA Standards for Reading Professionals as developed by the International Literacy Association. These standards were approved by the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP) and the International Literacy Association (ILA).

### Certificate Learning Outcomes

To earn full national recognition, the learning outcomes of a program must align with the ILA Standards for Reading Professionals. The Literacy and Language master's degree program received full national recognition from the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP) and the International Literacy Association (ILA) in August 2018 and aligns with the ILA Standards for Reading Professionals. To meet the expectations of CAEP and ILA, the Post-Master's Certificate for the Reading Specialist License program aligns with the same ILA Standards:

- Standard 1. Foundational Knowledge. Candidates understand the theoretical and evidence based foundations of reading and writing processes and instruction.
- Standard 2. Curriculum and Instruction. Candidates use instructional approaches, materials, and an integrated, comprehensive, balanced curriculum to support student learning in reading and writing.
- Standard 3. Assessment and Evaluation. Candidates use a variety of assessment tools and practices to plan and evaluate effective reading and writing instruction.
- Standard 4. Diversity. Candidates create and engage their students in literacy practices that develop awareness, understanding, respect, and a valuing of difference in our society.
- Standard 5. Literate Environment. Candidates create a literate environment that fosters reading and writing by integrating foundational knowledge, instructional practices, approaches and methods, curriculum materials, and the appropriate use of assessment.
- Standard 6. Professional Learning and Leadership. Candidates recognize the importance of, demonstrate, and facilitate professional learning and leadership as a career-long effort and responsibility.

### Admission Requirements

- Complete the online graduate admission application
- Have earned a master's degree in education from a regionally accredited college or university.
- Have an Initial Teaching License.
- Have a minimum graduate quality point average of 3.3 on a 4.00 scale.
- Provide two letters of recommendation submitted on the Framingham State University Letter of Recommendation form and sent directly to the University's Graduate Admissions office by the recommender. One letter must be from a principal or supervisor, and the other must be from a faculty member who has taught the candidate at collegiate level if the candidate attended classes in the last five years;
- Submit a typed, 300-word personal statement discussing their motivation for seeking a post-master's degree certificate in view of prior formal education, current job responsibilities, and career plans.

For further information about the Post-Master's Certificate in Reading Specialist, please contact the Office of Graduate Admissions at 508-626-4501.

**Transfer Credit**

No transfer credit is permitted in this certificate program.

**Certificate Course Requirements (7):**

LTRC 900 Research and Practice in Reading  
LTRC 901 Integrating the Language Arts (suggested first course in concentration)  
LTRC 902 Reading and Writing in the Content Areas  
LTRC 903 Assessment for Learning Styles and Strategies  
LTRC 910 Leadership and Consultation in the Language Arts  
LTRC 926 Teaching the Writing the Process  
One Children's Literature Course:  
ENGL 930 Workshop in Children's Literature

**Required Practicum for students seeking an Initial Specialist Teacher Reading License (1):**

LTRC 952 Practicum in Literacy and Language with Seminar  
or  
LTRC 988 Practicum in Reading Enrichment with Seminar

Per the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE), candidates seeking an Initial Specialist Teacher: Reading license must obtain the Sheltered English Instruction (SEI) endorsement in one of the following ways:

1. Complete an undergraduate program that includes an approved Sheltered English Immersion course.
2. Complete the DESE approved Sheltered English Immersion course through a school district.
3. Complete the DESE approved Framingham State University course, TESL 910 Sheltered English Immersion.
4. Complete a DESE approved Sheltered English Immersion course through another licensure program.
5. Earn a passing score on the Sheltered English Immersion 056 MTEL.

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Graduate Studies, Office of	508-626-4014
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# Campus Buildings and Facilities

Located at 100 State Street, Framingham, MA 01760-9101

**Athletic and Recreation Center**, opened in 2001, houses a gymnasium, locker rooms, athletic training rooms and offices, the bookstore, and an aerobics fitness center.

**Crocker Hall** is named for Lucretia Crocker, an outstanding teacher and the first woman to be appointed supervisor in the Boston schools. It is currently used for faculty offices.

**Arthur M. Doyle Information Technology Center**, named for the late Vice President for Academic Affairs, is located adjacent to Whittemore Library and houses the offices of Information Technology Services.

**Dwight Hall**, named for industrialist Edmund Dwight of Boston, who provided funds for Horace Mann to start the Normal Schools of Massachusetts, houses classrooms, main administrative offices, and an auditorium.

**Foster Hall** is named for Dr. Stuart Foster, former Chair of the Chemistry Department and Professor Emeritus. The building serves as the Health & Wellness Center and houses Health Services.

**Helen L. Heineman Center**, built in 1871, was purchased by the institution in 1970 and used as a chapel for all faiths and as a classroom. Renovated in 2000, the facility also now serves as the site for special campus events.

**Corinne Hall Towers**, a four-house residence complex, accommodates students in 32 suites of 13 students per suite. It is named in honor of Corinne Hall, a former home economics teacher at the institution. The residence opened in September 1973.

**Hemenway Hall Complex**, named for Mary Hemenway, who was largely responsible for the development of the consumer sciences division of the institution, houses the departments of Biology, Chemistry & Food Science, Computer Science, Nutrition & Health Studies, Environment, Society, & Sustainability, and Mathematics. It is also home to state-of-the-art science laboratories along with general purpose classrooms including three amphitheaters.

**Horace Mann Hall** is a coed residence housing juniors and seniors in single rooms. It is named for the famous educator who was the founder of the Commonwealth's first teacher training institution.

**Jonathan Maynard Building**, named for Framingham's most prominent citizen during the period between the Revolutionary War and the arrival of the railroad, houses Studio Art classrooms on the ground floor and is permanent location of the Danforth Art Museum on the main floor and Danforth Art School on the upper floor.

**Larned Hall** is named for Dorothy Larned, who served as the Dean of Women from 1942 to 1961. The six-story residence hall provides living and study facilities for men and women. The ground floor contains a large recreation room with lounge, kitchenette, and meeting rooms for educational and social functions. Other floors contain living quarters, together with study and utility areas. Situated atop Bare Hill, the residence hall is surrounded by an exterior plaza providing an overall view of the campus.

**Linsley Hall**, named for the late Professor James D. Linsley of the History Department, is a three-storied, three-winged, coed residence hall located at the foot of Adams Road. Linsley offers traditional single and double occupancy rooms, as well as six- and eight- person suites.

**May Hall**, is named for Abby May, the Official Visitor to the Framingham Normal School for the Massachusetts Board of Education. In her reports to the legislature, she advocated for this classroom-administrative building which opened in 1889, the year after her death. It was completely renovated in 1982 and houses the departments of Art, English, and History.

**D. Justin McCarthy Campus Center**, named in honor of Dr. McCarthy, President of the University from 1961 to 1985, houses all segments of student activities. Since the building's opening in 1976, The D. Justin McCarthy Center has been the hub of all of the University student activities. In May 2005, the McCarthy Center main entrance was redesigned and all interior spaces have undergone extensive renovations. The McCarthy Campus Center contains the Office of the Dean of Students along with various Student Affairs offices; the Student Services Center (SSC) comprised of the offices of Financial Aid, Student Accounts, and University Registrar; the Office of University Police; the Mazmanian Art Gallery; the Dining Commons; a Cyber Café; a student game room, classrooms; and other meeting rooms.



**Miles Bibb Hall**, named for Mary E. Miles Bibb, the first African American graduate of the then Framingham Normal School (Class of 1843), opened in Fall 2011 and is home to approximately 410 upper-class students in four-person suites or in connected doubles and singles sharing semi-private bathroom facilities. The hall's 'backyard' is a popular space to see students enjoying a pick-up basketball game or throwing a frisbee with friends. Miles Bibb Hall also houses Sandella's Flatbread Cafe, offering freshly made sandwiches and salads, grab-and-go dining options, and convenience items.

**O'Connor Hall**, named for Martin F. O'Connor, who served as President from 1936 to 1961, was a residence until Fall 2016. O'Connor Hall now serves as the of several academic departments along with various administration offices. It is also the home of the Christa Corrigan McAuliffe Center for Education and Teaching Excellence and the Challenger Learning Center.

**Peirce Hall**, named for Cyrus Peirce, who was the first President of the University, is a residence for 102 women students. South Peirce houses academic administrators' offices and the Center for Academic Success and Achievement.

**Warren Center**, acquired in 2016, is a professional event center and inn 10 minutes from campus, providing a training ground and real-world experience to students. The Warren Conference Center hosts corporate events, weddings, and other social gatherings in a first-rate facility located on a beautiful 65-acre property.

**West Hall**, opened Fall 2016, is the newest residence hall with approximately 315 residents. The majority of rooms are connected double-double bedroom units with a private bath. There are also connected single-single bedroom units with a private bathroom. The first floor boasts a game room and the main lounge includes a fireplace and kitchen area for building use. The top floor includes a large media room lounge with tall floor-to-ceiling glass exterior walls. There are also lounges on each floor featuring common seating areas, TVs, and enclosed study lounges.

**Henry Whittemore Library**, named for the President of the institution who served from 1898 to 1917, is a seven-level structure completed in 1969. Its collections presently include approximately 200,000 book volumes, and access to over 70,000 electronic journals. An on-line public catalog combines the holdings of the Library and the Minuteman Library Network. These resources are supplemented by on-line computer systems for information retrieval, including Internet access to data-bases world-wide. Curriculum Library, Archives, and Special Collections rooms contain many materials unique to the University. Classrooms, the Emeritus Room, the Copy Center, along with the departments of Communication Arts and World Languages are also located in the building.

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### **The Christa Corrigan McAuliffe Center for Education and Excellence**

As teacher, Mission Specialist, and Framingham State University alumna, Christa Corrigan McAuliffe has inspired both students and educators for nearly two decades. The McAuliffe Center was established to honor her commitment to education by providing exciting, standards-based programs in the pursuit of excellence. The Challenger Learning Center is the McAuliffe Center's best-known program. In full-size mockups of both Houston's Mission Control and a space station interior, middle-school students apply the principles of physical science to the real-time challenges of a simulated space flight. Adjacent to the Center is the Framingham State University Planetarium. The thirty-foot dome brings the majesty of the universe down to Earth, with original programming from the McAuliffe Center that combines state-of-the-art technology with current educational philosophy.

In partnership with the Science Education Department of the Harvard-Smithsonian Center for Astrophysics, the McAuliffe Center brings the ARIES hands-on astronomy curriculum to teachers across the United States.

The McAuliffe Center's relationship with NASA gives teachers throughout New England access to the agencies numerous space-related programs, including Mission Mathematics and Liftoff to Learning. Building a Presence for Science, a National Science Teachers Association program in which more than 150 Massachusetts science teachers facilitate the integration of science education standards into classrooms statewide, is yet another example of the Center's collaborative efforts. The McAuliffe Center is located on the FSU campus in O'Connor Hall. Call 508-626-4050, or visit the website at [www.christa.org](http://www.christa.org), for more information.

# Framingham State University

## Fall 2025 Graduate Studies and Continuing Education Academic Calendar:

<b>Semester Begins:</b>	<b>Wed</b>	<b>September 3, 2025</b>
Last Day to Add/Drop <i>(On/after the semester begins, GCE refunding rules apply):</i>	Wed	September 10, 2025
Columbus Day/Indigenous Peoples Day <i>(Classes meet as scheduled):</i>	Mon	October 13, 2025
Veterans Day Observed <i>(Classes meet as scheduled):</i>	Tue	November 11, 2025
November Recess <i>(Classes at/after 4:30pm on Wed do not meet):</i>	Wed-Sat	November 26–29, 2025
<b>Last of Classes</b>	<b>Thu</b>	<b>December 18, 2025</b>
(Snow Day if University is closed for a Last Class Meeting Day)	Fri	December 19, 2025
<b>Semester Ends:</b>	<b>Fri</b>	<b>December 19, 2025</b>

*Courses that are 100% Synchronous (either Face2Face or Remote) are required to Meet 15 times during the term (one night per week)*

*Courses that are Hybrid (CEH) - either Face2Face/Asynchronous [FH] or Remote/Asynchronous [RH] - begin instruction the first day of the term, September 3, 2025, and conclude asynchronous instruction the last day of the term, December 18, 2025.*

### **Monday (CEM):**

<b>If Hybrid, Course Begins:</b>	<b>Wed</b>	<b>September 3, 2025</b>
If 100% Synchronous - First Class Meets:	Mon	September 8, 2025
Columbus Day/Indigenous Peoples Day <i>(Classes meet as scheduled):</i>	Mon	October 13, 2025
Last Synchronous Class Meets:	Mon	December 15, 2025

### **Tuesday (CET):**

<b>If Hybrid, Course Begins:</b>	<b>Wed</b>	<b>September 3, 2025</b>
If 100% Synchronous - First Class Meets:	Tue	September 9, 2025
Veterans Day <i>(Classes meet as scheduled):</i>	Tue	November 11, 2025
Last Synchronous Class Meets:	Tue	December 16, 2025

### **Wednesday (CEW):**

<b>If Hybrid, Course Begins:</b>	<b>Wed</b>	<b>September 3, 2025</b>
If 100% Synchronous - First Class Meets:	Wed	September 3, 2025
November Recess <i>(Classes at/after 4:30pm on Wed do not meet):</i>	Wed	November 26, 2025
Last Synchronous Class Meets:	Wed	December 17, 2025

### **Thursday (CER):**

<b>If Hybrid, Course Begins:</b>	<b>Wed</b>	<b>September 3, 2025</b>
If 100% Synchronous - First Class Meets:	Thu	September 4, 2025
November Recess <i>(Classes do not meet):</i>	Thu	November 27, 2025
Last Synchronous Class Meets:	Thu	December 18, 2025

### **Saturday (CES):** *[Only Hybrid course sections are available as there are only 14 Saturdays for Synchronous meetings]*

<b>Hybrid Only, Course Begins:</b>	<b>Wed</b>	<b>September 3, 2025</b>
If 100% Synchronous - First Class Meets:	Sat	September 6, 2025
November Recess <i>(Classes do not meet):</i>	Sat	November 29, 2025
Last Synchronous Class Meets:	Sat	December 13, 2025

### **Online (CEO):**

First Class Meets:	Wed	September 3, 2025
Last Class Meets:	Fri	December 18, 2025

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## Quarter Courses Meet for 8 weeks:

*(Online courses begin the first day of the quarter; Synchronous days will meet Face-to-Face or Remote on Tuesdays and/or Thursdays):*

### **Quarter 1 (CQ1):**

Start/End – September 3<sup>rd</sup> through October 24<sup>th</sup>

Quarter 1 Begins:	Wed	September 3, 2025
Last Day to Add/Drop:	Fri	September 5, 2025
Last Day to Withdraw:	Wed	October 15, 2025
Quarter 1 Ends:	Fri	October 24, 2025

### **Quarter 2 (CQ2):**

Start/End – October 27<sup>th</sup> – December 18<sup>th</sup>

Quarter 2 Begins:	Mon	October 27, 2025
Last Day to Add/Drop:	Wed	October 29, 2025
November Recess:	Wed-Sat	November 26-29, 2025
Last Day to Withdraw:	Wed	December 10, 2025
Quarter 2 Ends:	Thu	December 18, 2025

**Spring 2026 Graduate Studies & Continuing Education Academic Calendar:**

<b>Semester Begins:</b>	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>January 20, 2026</b>
Last Day to Add/Drop:	Tuesday	January 28, 2026
Presidents' Day: <i>(Classes meet as scheduled)</i>	Monday	February 16, 2026
Spring Break: <i>(Classes do not meet)</i>	Mon–Sat	March 16–21, 2026
Patriots' Day: <i>(Classes meet as scheduled)</i>	Monday	April 20, 2026
Last Day to Withdraw:	Friday	April 24, 2026
Semester Classes End:	Friday	May 15, 2026

**Courses that are 100% Synchronous (either Face2Face or Remote) are required to Meet 15 times during the term (one night per week)**

**Courses that are Hybrid (CEH) - either Face2Face/Asynchronous [FH] or Remote/Asynchronous [RH] - begin instruction the first day of the term, January 20, 2026 and conclude asynchronous instruction the last day of the term, May 15, 2026.**

**Monday (CEM):**

If Hybrid, Course Begins:	Tue	January 20, 2026
First Synchronous Class Meets:	Mon	January 26, 2026
Presidents' Day: <i>(Classes meet as scheduled)</i>	Mon	February 16, 2026
Patriots' Day: <i>(Classes meet as scheduled)</i>	Mon	April 20, 2026
Last Synchronous Class Meets:	Mon	May 11, 2026

**Tuesday (CET):**

If Hybrid, Course Begins:	Tue	January 20, 2026
First Synchronous Class Meets:	Tue	January 20, 2026
Last Synchronous Class Meets:	Tue	May 5, 2026

**Wednesday (CEW):**

If Hybrid, Course Begins:	Tue	January 20, 2026
First Synchronous Class Meets:	Wed	January 21, 2026
Last Synchronous Class Meets:	Wed	May 6, 2026

**Thursday (CER):**

If Hybrid, Course Begins:	Tue	January 20, 2026
First Synchronous Class Meets:	Thu	January 22, 2026
Last Synchronous Class Meets:	Thu	May 7, 2026

**Saturday (CES):**

If Hybrid, Course Begins:	Tue	January 20, 2026
First Synchronous Class Meets:	Sat	January 24, 2026
Last Synchronous Class Meets:	Sat	May 9, 2026

**Online (CEO/CEH):**

Course Begins:	Tue	January 20, 2026
Course Ends:	Fri	May 15, 2026

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**Quarter Courses Meet for 8 weeks:**

*(Online courses begin the first day of the quarter; Synchronous days will meet Face-to-Face or Remote on Tuesdays and/or Thursdays):*

**Quarter 1 (CQ1):**

**Start/End – January 20<sup>th</sup> through March 13<sup>th</sup>**

Quarter 1 Begins:	Tue	January 20, 2026
Last Day to Add/Drop:	Thu	January 22, 2026
Last Day to Withdraw:	Fri	March 4, 2026
Quarter 1 Ends:	Fri	March 13, 2026

**Quarter 2 (CQ2):**

**Start/End – March 23<sup>rd</sup> – May 15<sup>th</sup>**

Quarter 2 Begins:	Mon	March 23, 2026
Last Day to Add/Drop:	Wed	March 25, 2026
Last Day to Withdraw:	Tue	May 5, 2026
Quarter 2 Ends:	Fri	May 15, 2026