

SECONDARY EDUCATION (MAT)

Master of Arts in Teaching in Secondary Education (SE MAT)

Unit: College of Education and Human Development (<https://louisville.edu/education/>) (GE)

Department: Elementary, Middle, and Secondary Education (<https://louisville.edu/education/departments/mise/>)

Program Website (<https://louisville.edu/education/degrees/mat-se/>)

Academic Plan Code(s): By subject area, see below.

Program Information

The Master of Arts in Teaching degree in Secondary Education leads to certification in:

- Biology (SE_ _MATBIO)
- Chemistry (SE_ _MATCHE)
- Earth & Space Science (SE_ _MATESS)
- English (SE_ _MATENG)
- Mathematics (SE_ _MATMAT)
- Physics (SE_ _MATPHY)
- Social Studies Education (grades 8-12) (SE_ _MATSST)
- World Language Education (Spanish and French) (grades P-12) (SE_ _MATSPA and SE_ _MATFRE)

Early Start Program

The Master of Arts in Teaching program in conjunction with the undergraduate programs in Chemistry, Biology, and Mathematics offers a comprehensive and professionally-focused program leading to an additional degree of MAT Middle or Secondary Education. This early start program enables superior students to receive two degrees within five years. A total of 149-152 credits are required for the dual degrees: 122-125 credits of coursework devoted toward the baccalaureate degree and 36 credit hours toward the MAT, with nine (9) credit hours double-counted. This program will be available for students who are entering their junior year. They may take graduate level courses in the College of Education and Human Development in their 4th year of study.

The current qualifications for the joint degree program have been agreed upon by discipline faculty from the College of Arts and Sciences and the College of Education and Human Development. The criteria vary by discipline. Students enrolling in the accelerated program will be non-thesis students and must adhere to all policies pertaining to Graduate Students. All interested students must submit an application to the College of Education and Human Development MAT program and meet the admission criteria.

Admission Requirements

Candidates considering application to the MAT program should contact the Education Advising and Student Services office (teacher@louisville.edu (<http://louisville.edu/cgi-bin/uofl.mail?teacher>)) prior to applying for admission.

Candidates who meet the following criteria may be eligible to apply to the Master of Arts in Teaching program:

1. Graduate application (<https://graduate.louisville.edu/admission/apply/>) to Graduate School. This should be completed three to four weeks prior to the application deadline.
2. Praxis II (<http://louisville.edu/education/degrees/info/mat-mse-praxis-ii/>) Content Exam registration and/or scores
3. Bachelor's Degree from Accredited College or University (<http://louisville.edu/education/degrees/info/bachelors/>) with major in content area with a minimum 2.75 Grade Point Average (official transcripts (<http://louisville.edu/education/degrees/info/transcripts/>) required)
4. Prerequisite Course Requirements (<http://louisville.edu/education/degrees/info/mat-mse-prereq/>)
5. C or higher in ENGL 102
6. C or better in oral communication course
7. TOEFL (<http://louisville.edu/education/degrees/info/toefl/>)/IELTS (<https://www.ielts.org/>)/Duolingo (<https://www.duolingo.com/>)
8. Professional Writing Requirements (<https://louisville.edu/education/degrees/info/mat-mse-professional-statement/>)
9. Three Letters of Recommendation (<http://louisville.edu/education/degrees/info/lor/>)
10. Signed Professional Code of Ethics/Technology User Agreement/Statement of Understanding of Admissions Guidelines
11. Acceptable interview

Admission is competitive. Candidates who meet minimum academic requirements are not guaranteed admission to the program.

Program Requirements

Code	Title	Hours
EDTP 631	Integrated Teaching and Learning I	3
EDTP 632	Integrated Teaching and Learning II	3
EDTP 633	Integrated Teaching and Learning III	3
<i>The above courses must be completed prior to the content methods course.</i>		
Content Methods, choose one from the following courses:		3
EDTP 622	High School English Methods	
EDTP 623	High School Mathematics Methods	
EDTP 624	High School Science Methods	
EDTP 625	High School Social Studies Methods	
EDTP 629	World Language Methods, P-12	
EDTP 619	Student Teaching: High School	9
or EDTP 618	Student Teaching: Middle and High School	
or EDTP 612	Student Teaching: P-12	
EDTP 503	Developing Cross-Cultural Competence: Teaching Students from Diverse Backgrounds ¹	3
EDTP 620	Reading and Writing Across the Curriculum ¹	3
EDAP 688	Designing a Technology Integrated Curriculum	3
Minimum Total Hours		30

¹ Can be taken at any point in the program.

Mid-Point Assessment: Prior to Student Teaching

Satisfactory dispositions assessment; no lower than a "C" in content methods class; within three (3) credits of meeting content requirements;

all course(s) passed; electronic documentation of 200 hours of diverse and approved field experiences; satisfactory performance on all Hallmark Assessment Tasks; Target performance or better on all rubrics.

Certification Assessment: After Student Teaching

Satisfactory dispositions assessment; passing scores on required PRAXIS exams; completion of degree requirements.

Degree Assessment

All certification and degree course work completed with a 3.0 cumulative GPA (no more than two "C's" in degree courses); 2.5 cumulative GPA in content course requirements; a "C" or higher in student teaching; satisfactory performance on all Hallmark Assessment Tasks; Target performance or better on all rubrics.

Degree Candidacy

Students not enrolled during the semester in which they intend to graduate must register for degree candidacy as outlined in the Graduate Catalog (<https://catalog.louisville.edu/graduate/general-policies-procedures-requirements/>).

Praxis Disclaimer

Teacher certification requirements are subject to change. Before registering for certification test(s), please refer to the Education Professional Standards Board (EPSB) website at epsb.ky.gov (<http://www.epsb.ky.gov>) or ets.org/praxis/ky (<http://www.ets.org/praxis/ky/>) for current requirements.

The Master of Arts in Teaching in Secondary Education program and all related content areas prepares students to meet the requirements for certification and/or licensure. If you plan to pursue professional licensure or certification you should first determine your state's criteria for examination and licensure to see how/if our program meets those requirements prior to enrollment. We recommend that you also contact your state's licensing board directly to verify that the requirements have not changed recently and to answer any questions especially those regarding additional requirements beyond the degree.

More information about certification or licensure is available at the following website: <https://louisville.edu/oapa/licensure-information> (<https://louisville.edu/oapa/licensure-information/>) (you may search by school or by the name of the program then click on 'View Details' to display the information).

For programs with an online option, more information about certification or licensure is available here: <https://louisville.edu/online/About-Us?tab=disclosures> (<https://louisville.edu/online/About-Us/?tab=disclosures>).