

TEACHING: SECONDARY EDUCATION

Master of Arts

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Through challenging, supporting, and encouraging us, the faculty genuinely care about creating the best possible teachers.

■ Nicole B., current student

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

This program offers a unique opportunity to earn both a teaching certification for grades 7-12 and a master's degree within a cohorted, 13-month program. Using dynamic and relevant curriculum with a focus on culturally responsive instruction, full-time faculty model learner-centered instructional practices. Candidates experience learning in a supportive cohort community of learners. A full-year internship provides candidates with extensive personalized support from mentor teachers as well as program faculty. Secondary education candidates can enter this program through two main pipelines: WMU pre-education undergraduate content degree with an education focus, or with a content degree from WMU or an outside accredited institution.



U.S. News and World Report ranked WMU **No. 3 in the state of Michigan for graduate schools in education** and in the top 100 public institutions of all colleges and universities reviewed.



The WMU teacher education unit is **accredited by the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP)**.

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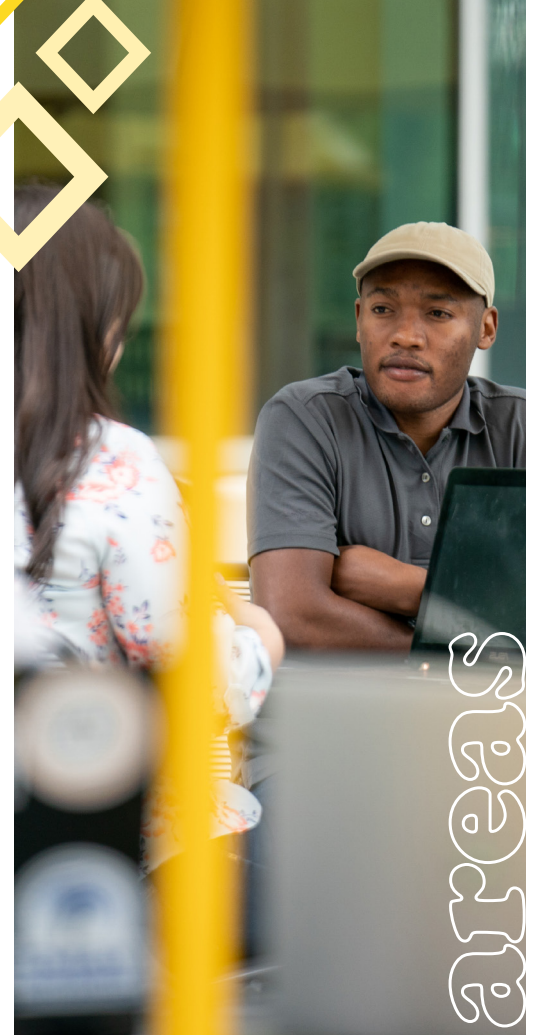
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PROGRAM STRENGTHS

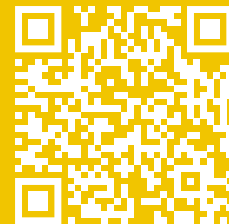
- Increased emphasis on integration of pedagogy, methods and content-area skills
- Bachelor's degree in subject area provides extensive content knowledge
- One-year intensive master's degree format
- Yearlong, supervised internship experience from the start of the public school year in August through the end of the school year in June
- Cohort program of 25 or fewer students led by full-time faculty members utilizing a team teaching approach
- Structured co-teaching models with mentor teacher to increase support
- The College of Arts and Sciences provides the liberal arts core of the university, offering academic programs in the sciences, social sciences and humanities.
- Our knowledgeable and supportive faculty will prepare candidates for a lifetime of innovating, adapting, learning and leading through immersive learning experiences.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Bachelor's degree from an accredited institution
- Completion of discipline coursework equivalent to a Michigan Department of Education approved secondary education initial certification program (Transcript evaluation will determine if additional discipline-area coursework is required.)
- Passing score on the Content Area Test (MTTC) for the appropriate secondary education discipline.
- For foreign language certification, passing score on the Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI) of Advanced Low or higher
- An overall undergraduate grade point average of at least 3.0 (4.0 = A)
- Completion of ES 2000 or 7+ hours of teacher contact in a public school setting. Completion of ED 3200 and ED 4200 or 30+ hours of student contact in a public school setting.
- Written essay reflecting on experiences with students and teachers in the field
- Interview



content areas



Scan the QR code above for a list of content areas.

Questions?

For information about the MAT program, contact **Dr. Amy Bentz** at amy.e.bentz@wmich.edu.

For information about transcript review or application, contact **Beth Cramer** at elizabeth.cramer@wmich.edu.