MASTER'S OF EDUCATION AND TEACHER CERTIFICATION

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Develop your professional expertise in a standards-based teaching environment that stresses accountability and excellence. Review best practices research while integrating current knowledge about technology, state and federal standards, multiple ways of learning, alternate assessment, reflective practice, and more.

Select a certification concentration in Elementary Education, General Special Education or Middle/Secondary Education in Life Sciences, English, or Social Studies. You may also choose a non-certificate path while exploring curriculum and instruction.

You will work with a Placement Coordinator who will facilitate placement in NEASC-accredited, age-appropriate local schools. Serve as an active participant and implement practice from your coursework.

Combine online learning with part or full-time study, and four academic terms per year, to create a flexible and personal-ized schedule.

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M.Ed.

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PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

Select either the M.Ed. Program, Teacher Certification Program, or both in one of the following areas. If you are seeking a second certification only, you may progress through the program with fewer required credits.

ELEMENTARY (K-6 OR K-8)

A content concentration is required for K-8 certification.

Degree and Certification	42 credits
M.Ed. only	36 credits
Certification only	39 credits

SOCIAL STUDIES (5-8 OR 5-12) AND LIFE SCIENCES (7-12)

An undergraduate content major/concentration is required.

M.Ed. Degree and Certification	42credits
M.Ed. only	36 credits
Certification only	39 credits

ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS (5-8 OR 5-12)

An undergraduate content major/concentration is required.

M.Ed. Degree and Certification	42 credits
M.Ed. only	36 credits
Certification only	39 credits

GENERAL SPECIAL EDUCATION (K-12)

M.Ed. and Certification	48 credits
M.Ed. only	42 credits
Certification only	45 credits

EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP

M.Ed. only	36 credits

ADMISSION TO THE PROGRAM

You must have a bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited college or university, generally with a GPA of 2.8 or greater on a 4.0 scale. Applicants with a 2.50-2.79 CGPA may be eligible for provisional acceptance. GRE/GMAT tests are not required, and there is no application fee.

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

You must submit the following items to complete an admissions portfolio.

- Online application at *franklinpierce.edu/gradapply*
- Official transcripts from previously attended colleges and universities
- Cover letter: please state why you want to become a teacher and/or obtain your graduate education degree with the certification you've chosen to pursue. Include a statement of philosophy regarding the teacher's role in today's schools, your potential to contribute to the teaching profession, and whether or not you currently hold a certification.
- A copy of your resume.

TESTING: For full acceptance into the program, you must successfully complete the Praxis Core or an approved equivalent, and be able to pass a background check. The Praxis Core exams evaluate teacher candidates for competency in basic reading, writing, and mathematics skills. Additionally, Praxis II exams, which are required for all certification areas except General Special Education, provide content-specific testing in individual subject areas. The Foundations of Reading exam is also required for those seeking Elementary certification.

Each state and licensing organization sets its own testing standards, Please contact your state's Department of Education for specific requirements for your state. Assessment requirements may change to better meet updated state rules and regulations. More assessment information is available at the N.H. Department of Education website, education.nh.gov, and ets.org/educator_licensure.

STUDENT TEACHING: Practical experience is not only required for certification, but is also a vital part of your education. In addition to early field hours in a variety of approved local placements, you must complete a six-to-nine credit full-immersion capstone student teaching internship, consisting of two-to-three full time 8-week placements, if you are seeking teacher certification. You will also be enrolled in a student teaching seminar while student teaching in a local school. Mentoring and support will be provided by the classroom teacher and a Franklin Pierce student teacher supervisor to maximize learning.

PLEASE NOTE: Students must be able to participate in field placement at an approved Institution of Education.

Franklin Pierce offers personal support through our enrollment team and an academic advisor to assist with onboarding, paving the way for student success. Our teams are ready to help you reach your career and educational goals.