



# BELHAVEN UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

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## GRADUATE PROGRAMS – INITIAL TEACHER LICENSURE

### MASTER OF ARTS IN ELEMENTARY TEACHING – MAT

LEADING TO **ELEMENTARY TEACHER 4-6 GRADE ALTERNATE ROUTE CERTIFICATION**  
**AND/OR K-6 ELEMENTARY ENDORSEMENT**

**MAT ELM/K-6–ALT/CERT**

#### ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Applicants are required to have one of the following four criteria **prior to being admitted**: 1) Take and have passing scores on either the **ACT** (with a score of 21 or higher), or 2) have a qualifying score on the **Praxis Core**, or 3) have a qualifying score on the **SAT**, or 4) have a **3.0 GPA** on the last 60 credit hours of their latest degree.
- Applicants are also required to have passed **Praxis II Test 5018 - Elementary Education C&I** **prior to being admitted** to the MAT Alt/Cert program.
- Upon successful completion of the required Program Teacher Certification Tests and being approved for admissions to the MAT Alt/Cert program the following courses may be taken in the following order: 1) EDU 506, 2) EDU 501, & 3) EDU 602.
- IMPORTANT**: CANDIDATES WHO HAVE TAKEN THE PRAXIS II 5018 AND HAVE SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED 1) EDU 506, 2) EDU 501, & 3) EDU 602 WILL ALSO BE **REQUIRED TO PASS THE MS FOUNDATIONS OF READING TEST PRIOR TO RECOMMENDATION FOR THE 3 YEAR ELEMENTARY TEACHER LICENSE.**

COMPLETION OF **PHASE 1 & PHASE 2** LEADS TO MS STANDARD 4-6 GRADES 5 YEAR TEACHER CERTIFICATION  
COMPLETION OF **PHASE 3** LEADS TO MAT MASTER'S DEGREE COMPLETION AND A **K-6 TEACHER ENDORSEMENT**

	PREFIX & NUMBER	COURSE TITLE	HRS	COURSES OFFERED DURING SESSIONS
<b>PHASE 1 – MAT 3 REQUIRED INTRODUCTORY COURSES FOR ALTERNATE ROUTE CERTIFICATION</b>				
THE REQUIRED FIRST THREE (3) COURSES LEADING TO MS ELEMENTARY ALTERNATE ROUTE 3 YR CERTIFICATE ARE <b>TO BE TAKEN IN THE ORDER LISTED</b>	1. EDU-506	CLASSROOM MANAGEMENT & ORGANIZATION	3	ALL SESSIONS (FALL, SPRING, & SUMMER)
	2. EDU-501	MEASUREMENT & EVALUATION STRATEGIES	3	ALL SESSIONS (FALL, SPRING, & SUMMER)
	3. EDU-602	PSYCHOLOGY OF THE EXCEPTIONAL CHILD	3	ALL SESSIONS (FALL, SPRING, & SUMMER)
<b>IMPORTANT!</b> AFTER SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETING PHASE 1 BY PASSING EDU 506, EDU 501, & EDU 602 AND PASSING THE <b>MISSISSIPPI FOUNDATIONS OF READING TEST</b> THE TEACHER CANDIDATE MUST COMPLETE AN <b>INSTITUTIONAL PROGRAM VERIFICATION FORM (IPV)</b> ONLINE @ <a href="http://WWW.TINYURL.COM/LICENSUREREC">WWW.TINYURL.COM/LICENSUREREC</a> . ONCE RECEIVED, THE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION CERTIFICATION OFFICER WILL BE ABLE TO RECOMMENDED THE CANDIDATE TO MDE FOR THE <b>3 YEAR ALTERNATE ROUTE LICENSE</b>				

### RESIDENCY YEAR MUST BE COMPLETED IN A MISSISSIPPI SCHOOL

<b>PHASE 2 – MENTORED TEACHER RESIDENCY COURSES - MUST BE EMPLOYED AS A LICENSED TEACHER IN YOUR CERTIFICATION AREA AND TEACHING IN A MISSISSIPPI SCHOOL – REQUIRED 1 COMPLETE YEAR (2 SEMESTERS) OF BEING MENTORED AS A RESIDENT TEACHER WHILE ENROLLED IN EDU 502 AND EDU 503 DURING RESIDENCY.</b>				
PREREQUISITES SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF EDU-506, 501, & 602	EDU-502	<b>TEACHER RESIDENCY I</b> MENTORED WHILE EMPLOYED AS A TEACHER	3	FALL SEMESTER OR SPRING SEMESTER THIS IS A FULL SEMESTER COURSE (NOT A 7 WEEK COURSE)
	EDU-503	<b>TEACHER RESIDENCY II</b> MENTORED WHILE EMPLOYED AS A TEACHER	3	SPRING SEMESTER OR FALL SEMESTER THIS IS A FULL SEMESTER COURSE (NOT A 7 WEEK COURSE)

**IMPORTANT!** AFTER SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETING PHASE 2: EDU 502 & EDU 503 TEACHER RESIDENCIES, THE TEACHER CANDIDATE MUST COMPLETE AN **INSTITUTIONAL PROGRAM VERIFICATION FORM (IPV)** ONLINE @ [WWW.TINYURL.COM/LICENSUREREC](http://WWW.TINYURL.COM/LICENSUREREC) . ONCE RECEIVED, THE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION CERTIFICATION OFFICER WILL BE ABLE TO RECOMMENDED THE CANDIDATE TO MDE FOR THE **MISSISSIPPI STANDARD 5-YEAR 4-6 ELEMENTARY LICENSE**

SEE PAGE 2 FOR **PHASE 3: MASTER OF ARTS IN TEACHING DEGREE COMPLETION – K-6 ENDORSEMENT**



**COMPLETION OF THE MASTER OF ARTS IN EDUCATION**

**MASTER OF ARTS IN ELEMENTARY TEACHING DEGREE  
WITH  
K-6 ENDORSEMENT**

**PHASE 3 – MAT MASTER'S DEGREE COMPLETION COURSES**

UPON SUCCESSFUL COMPLETION OF PHASE 1: EDU 501, 506, EDU 602 AND MAINTAINING A GPA OF 3.0 OR HIGHER THE CANDIDATE IS ELIGIBLE TO CONTINUE IN THE MASTER OF ARTS IN TEACHING PROGRAM TO COMPLETE THE MAT DEGREE.

	PREFIX & NUMBER	COURSE TITLE	HRS	COURSES OFFERED DURING SESSIONS	
<b>PHASE 3 – MAT 5 REQUIRED CONTENT AREA COURSES FOR K-6 CERTIFICATION</b>					
<b>THE REQUIRED FIVE (5) COURSES LEADING TO MS ELEMENTARY ALTERNATE ROUTE K-6 ENDORSEMENT</b>	<b>EDU-607</b>	TEACHING MATH AND SCIENCE: STEM	3	ALL SESSIONS (FALL, SPRING, & SUMMER)	
	<b>REA-604</b>	ADVANCED EARLY LITERACY I	3	ALL SESSIONS (FALL, SPRING, & SUMMER)	
	<b>REA-605</b>	ADVANCED EARLY LITERACY II	3	ALL SESSIONS (FALL, SPRING, & SUMMER)	
	<b>REA-617</b>	CONTENT AREA LITERACY	3	ALL SESSIONS (FALL, SPRING, & SUMMER)	
	<b>REA-629</b>	LITERACY ASSESSMENT, DIAGNOSIS, & REMEDIATION	3	ALL SESSIONS (FALL, SPRING, & SUMMER)	
CANDIDATES ARE REQUIRED TO SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETE THE COMPREHENSIVE PAPER TO BE ELIGIBLE TO GRADUATE	<b>*EDU-625</b> COMPREHENSIVE PAPER WRITTEN DURING THIS COURSE	INSTRUCTIONAL LEADERSHIP SKILLS IN THE CLASSROOM	3	ALL SESSIONS (FALL, SPRING, & SUMMER)	
*27 CREDIT HOURS WHICH INCLUDES INTERNSHIP COURSES MUST BE COMPLETED BEFORE ENROLLING IN *EDU-625 AND WRITING THE COMPREHENSIVE CAPSTONE PAPER. A GPA OF 3.0 REQUIRED BEFORE ENROLLING IN *EDU 625.			<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>	<b>CURRENT GPA</b>	<b>TOTAL CREDIT HOURS EARNED</b> ADD SIDES 1 & 2 <b>33</b> <b>HOURS MINIMUM</b>

**NOTE: OUT-OF-STATE CANDIDATES**

The Belhaven University Graduate School of Education's Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT-Alt/Cert) has been developed to meet the requirements of the Mississippi Department of Education's Alternate Route to Teacher Certification program. It **does not** automatically qualify candidates for an educator licensure, certification upgrade, endorsement, or pay increase in other states. Out-of-state candidates are responsible for ascertaining the requirements for licensure, endorsement, or pay increase by the state where they seek employment or licensure. The MS Alternate Route Teacher License may not be recognized in other states.

**COMMENTS/NOTES**