

Elementary Education

The Elementary Education program in the TELS department offers a Master of Education (M.Ed.) degree in Elementary Education with a concentration in either mathematics or science education. The Master's program prepares teacher leaders who possess strong specialized content knowledge in mathematics or science and a deep understanding of how elementary students learn. The program, designed for those who already hold a current teaching license, is especially tailored to provide candidates with leadership and application skills to transfer their knowledge to their work with elementary school teachers and students.

The program is considered Distance Education (DE) and offered off campus at school sites in the region to take advantage of reduced DE tuition rates.

The coursework for the mathematics and science concentrations are approved by the North Carolina State Board of Education. Therefore, graduates of the M.Ed. program are eligible to receive the elementary mathematics or elementary science specialist add-on to their North Carolina K-6 teaching license from the Department of Public Instruction. The College of Education is accredited by the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP).

Admission Requirements

Elementary Education Master's program: Application requirements include a 500-800 word statement describing professional goals, transcripts and reference letters, and a teaching license. The Graduate School requires a 3.0 GPA in an undergraduate program. The best qualified applicants will be accepted up to the limited number of spaces available for new students.

For the M.S. degree, a minimum of 33 hours is required. The M.S. degree requires a thesis and final oral examination approved by the graduate committee. It is the responsibility of MS students to secure an advisor in advance to supervise their thesis research.

Degrees

- Elementary Education (MEd) (<http://catalog.ncsu.edu/graduate/education/elementary-education/elementary-education-med/>)
- Elementary Education (MS) (<http://catalog.ncsu.edu/graduate/education/elementary-education/elementary-education-ms/>)

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