

# Elementary Education, MAT

Designed for Massachusetts-based aspiring teachers and career changers, the Master of Arts in Teaching in Elementary Education (MAT)<sup>1</sup> offers an appreciation for and an understanding of the diverse educational needs, social concerns, and cultural values of today's elementary and secondary schools. This graduate degree in teaching seeks to enhance your foundational skills, broaden your perspectives, and strengthen your ability to inspire and educate. The master's degree, which includes a full term of student teaching and prepracticum experiential fieldwork, seeks to produce graduates well positioned to make a meaningful impact in their school, in their community, and in the lives of their students.

The Elementary MAT+ provides qualifying students with the opportunity to complete a Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT) with further study in a selected area of expertise. Currently, students can take additional coursework to earn either endorsement for an additional license in special education (Teacher of Students of Moderate Disabilities, PreK–8) or endorsement for an additional license in ESL (Teacher of English as a Second Language, Pre-K–6) to the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education. Teacher candidates may also plan a program of study that allows for triple licensure in consultation with the program director.

A formal application for approval or placement of field-based experiences for prepracticum and practicum requirements must be filed with the Office of Licensure and Field Experience before a student may enroll in a course requiring fieldwork. Deadline for fall placements and approvals must be completed by April 1st (of the previous spring quarter), October 1st for winter placements and approvals, and February 1st for spring placements and approvals.

<sup>1</sup> The MAT Elementary (grades 1–6) has been approved at the MAT initial licensure level by the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education.

## Program Requirements

- Concentrations and course offerings may vary by campus and/or by program modality. Please consult with your advisor or admissions coach for the course availability each term at your campus or within your program modality.
- Certain options within the program may be *required* at certain campuses or for certain program modalities. Please consult with your advisor or admissions coach for requirements at your campus or for your program modality.

Complete all courses and requirements listed below unless otherwise indicated.

## Required Courses

Code	Title	Hours
EDU 6051	Introduction to Social Justice in Educational Settings	4
EDU 6086	Foundations of Literacy Development and Instruction	4
EDU 6101	Critical Issues in Education: Past and Present	2
EDU 6102	Reflection, Community Engagement, and Agency in Education	2
EDU 6104	Child and Adolescent Development, Learning, and Teaching	4
EDU 6107	Inclusion, Equity, and Diversity <sup>1</sup>	4
EDU 6154	Inquiry in the Sciences and Humanities	4
EDU 6155	Inquiry in Mathematics <sup>2</sup>	4
EDU 6183	Collaborative Strategies for Effective Classroom Management	3
Complete one of the following:		
<i>For students pursuing emergency elementary teaching licenses or ESL+ licensure in Massachusetts</i>		
EDU 6513	Sheltered English Immersion in the General Classroom	4
<i>For students not pursuing emergency elementary licenses and ESL+ licensure in Massachusetts</i>		
EDU 6185	English-Language Learners in the General Education Classroom	4
EDU 6426	Developmental Language, Literacy, and Writing: Assessment and Instruction	4
EDU 6866	Teaching Practicum and Seminar	6

<sup>1</sup> For students who do not pass their Gateway Performance Task I in this course, complete EDU 6995 to meet programmatic and endorsement requirements.

<sup>2</sup> For students who do not pass their Gateway Performance Task II in this course, complete EDU 6995 to meet programmatic and endorsement requirements.

## Program Credit/GPA Requirements

45 total quarter hours required (additional hours may be required for endorsement for Massachusetts licensure)  
Minimum 3.000 GPA required

### ELEMENTARY MAT+ SPECIAL EDUCATION

The special education course requirements are:

Code	Title	Hours
EDU 6425	Special Education: Role of Special Educators in an Inclusive School <sup>1</sup>	4
EDU 6429	Variations in Child and Adolescent Development	4
EDU 6528	Adaptive Learning/Behavior Management Strategies: Consultation and Collaboration	4
EDU 6569	Differentiated Instruction and Assessment in Mathematics	4
EDU 6874	Practicum, Portfolio, and Panel Review	4

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### MAT+ IN ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE (ESL)

This Commonwealth of Massachusetts-approved MAT+ program consists of five courses, some of which may be taken as electives in the MAT program.

The English as a Second Language course requirements are:

Code	Title	Hours
EDU 6300	Introduction to Language and Linguistics	4
EDU 6310	Literacy Development and the Academic Domains <sup>1</sup>	4
EDU 6429	Variations in Child and Adolescent Development	4
EDU 6517	Foundations of Teaching English as a Second Language: Research and Practice <sup>2</sup>	4
EDU 6874	Practicum, Portfolio, and Panel Review	4

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