

MASTER OF ARTS IN TEACHING

Early Childhood Urban Education/ Special Education for Teachers

About the Program

Passionate educators seeking to expand their impact will find an unparalleled opportunity in the **early childhood urban education/special education program**. This 33-credit Master of Arts in Teaching program offers dual certification tailored for teaching young learners in high-needs urban schools within the New York City Department of Education, as well as charter schools, private schools, and early childhood centers across the state.

Through rigorous academic study paired with immersive clinical fieldwork, the program provides the real-world skills and knowledge base to make a difference for today's students. Teachers complete certifications in both early childhood education (birth-grade 2) and special education (birth-grade 2) over the course of 15 transformative months.

The program, aligned with NYSED's Culturally Responsive-Sustaining Education Framework, is designed around the developmental needs of young children, with a focus on serving all learners including those who are culturally and linguistically diverse and those with disabilities. Expert faculty guide teachers in best practices for inclusion and individualized instruction. Flexible full-time and part-time options allow working educators to complete coursework in hybrid and fully online models.

For teachers passionate about shaping future generations, this MAT offers unmatched preparation and credentials tailored for the needs of diverse young learners. Graduates will have the skills and certifications to advance their careers improving outcomes for young learners and will be poised to continue their education should they choose in the future.



Academic Calendar & Application Deadlines

Semester	Complete by:
Fall (Sep–Dec)	August 15
Winter (Jan–Apr)	December 15
Spring (May–Jul)	April 15

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This 33-credit dual certificate graduate program combines hybrid and online courses over 4 semesters of full-time study, or students may choose to study part-time. It is intended to support the professional growth of initially licensed teachers and continue their development as high performing, skilled, and passionate educator-practitioners.

This Master of Arts in Teaching degree is a 33-credit program consisting of 8 core courses (24 credits) plus 3 general education courses in math and language/literacy specific to early childhood education (9 credits). Workshops for NYS certification, TPA, and career planning are offered. Below is the suggested path for full-time study.

Semester 1: Fall

ED 610 Foundations and Contemporary Issues of Urban and Special Education

ED 612 Early Development and Practice: Risk, Resilience and Early Intervention (Birth – Age 8)

ED 615 Foundations of Literacy: Research & Practice

Semester 2: Winter

ED 605 Foundations & Contemporary Issues of Education

ED 620 Observation & Assessment of Children with Exceptionalities

ED 625 Curriculum in General and Special Education: Instruction & Planning in Inclusive Learning Environments to Support Whole Child Development

Semester 3: Spring

ED 630 Language and Literacy Development in Linguistically and Culturally Diverse Early Childhood Classrooms

ED 640 The Development of Mathematical Thinking and Science Exploration in Diverse Early Childhood Classrooms

ED 650 Collaborative Partnerships and Inclusive Practices in Special Education

Semester 4: Fall

ED 660 Classroom Management Through Positive Behavior Supports

ED 725 Teacher as Researcher: Capstone Project in a General Education Setting, Early Childhood

Workshops

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- ▶ NY State certification examinations in CST 1-2 for Early Childhood
 - ▶ Support for Teacher Performance Assessment (TPA) and Capstone Project
 - ▶ Career planning, resumes, interviewing skills for post MAT employment
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