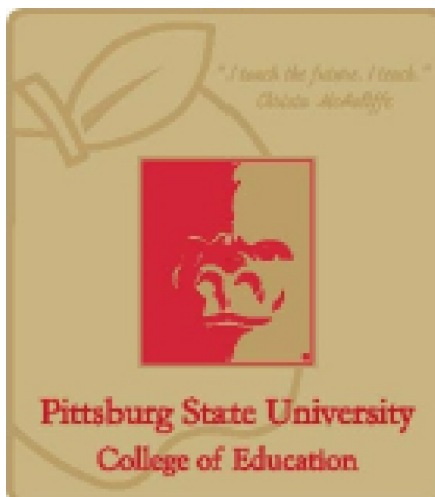




Pittsburg State University

Alternative Teacher Licensure

Master of Arts in Teaching programs

Secondary

This emphasis of the MAT program is for candidates who wish to earn a teaching license in the middle or secondary grades. Examples of these content areas are Mathematics, Biology, English Language Arts, Chemistry, etc. Also included are PreK-12 content areas of Physical Education, Art, Music, Spanish or French. This is a 36-credit hour program with new cohorts beginning each June. Coursework is completed in two years.

In this particular emphasis, candidates have access to restricted teaching license which allows them to serve as the teacher of record while completing coursework in the program. The restricted teaching license requires an offer of employment in the appropriate content area in an accredited Kansas school.

Elementary

The Elementary emphasis of the MAT program is for candidates who wish to earn a teaching license in Elementary Education K-6. This is a 33-credit hour program completed in 18 months with new cohorts beginning each January.

Special Education (K-6 OR 6-12)

This 36-credit hour program is completed in two years with new cohorts beginning each June. It is designed for paraeducators who wish to become teachers for high-incidence special education. Candidates are expected to be employed as a paraeducator in the level that corresponds with their emphasis, either K-6 or 6-12. If offered a position in an appropriate high-incidence special education setting in an accredited Kansas school, candidates in the 6-12 emphasis can be employed as the teacher of record during the program.

Application

To apply for the MAT program, one must complete the application for PSU Graduate School found here: <https://admission.pittstate.edu/apply.html>. For the application, select the degree – Master of Arts, major – Teaching, and then the appropriate emphasis. As a part of the application process, applicants will then be required to send an official transcript from each institution from which college credit was earned. Electronic transcripts should be sent to jsmiller@pittstate.edu.

Alternative teacher licensure programs are designed for those making a career change to education. Each leads to an initial teaching license and a Master of Arts degree.

Admission Requirements

- Bachelor's degree from accredited institution
- 3.00 cumulative GPA
- Professional Disposition Assessment (includes personal interview)
- Background check

Course Delivery

- online courses
- 6 credit hours per semester
- prescribed sequence of courses

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More information about the MAT programs at PSU can be found at:
<https://academics.pittstate.edu/academic-programs/teaching-and-leadership/index.html>