

Master of Science in Education in Curriculum and Instruction

Programs in Curriculum and Instruction prepare students to complete advanced degrees by addressing critical issues in learning, teaching, and curriculum, from local to global levels.

The Master of Science in Education candidate completes graduate courses in Curriculum and Instruction. This provides the candidate an opportunity to:

- Develop a thorough understanding of the relationship of content and content-specific pedagogy
- Demonstrate an in-depth understanding of the content that they plan to teach and provide multiple explanations and instructional strategies so that all students learn
- Apply the ability to critique research and theories related to pedagogy and learning
- Convey an in-depth knowledge of research-based instructional strategies and technologies that help all students learn.

The master's program concludes with successful completion of a capstone portfolio. This course provides a space and opportunity for candidates to reflect on their learning in the M.S.E. online programs. Candidates will create a digital portfolio demonstrating their knowledge and skills related to the C&T learning outcomes.

Graduate Admission to the Department of Curriculum and Teaching

In addition to general requirements for admission to graduate study in the School of Education and Human Sciences, master's degree programs in Curriculum and Instruction require completion of an appropriate undergraduate program and, in some instances, a teaching license. Materials describing all Curriculum and Instruction programs may be obtained from the department (<http://ct.soe.ku.edu/>).

Admission to the online Master of Science in Education in Curriculum and Instruction Program (Domestic Applicants)

Refer to the graduate application for application deadlines.

The following materials must be submitted:

- A completed domestic online degree-seeking graduate application (<https://gograd.ku.edu/apply/>). The application fee is \$65.
- 1 official transcript of all college records with at least a 3.0 grade-point average on a 4.0 scale. Applicants with a grade-point average below 3.0 will be considered for admission, but admission is not guaranteed.
- 3 letters of recommendation. Each letter should be attached to the online recommendation form when it is submitted by the recommender.
- A statement of career goals.
- A vita or résumé.

Admission to the online Master of Science in Education in Curriculum and Instruction Program (International Applicants)

Refer to the graduate application for application deadlines.

The following materials must be submitted:

- A completed international online degree-seeking graduate application (<https://gograd.ku.edu/apply/>). The application fee is \$85.
- 2 official transcripts of all undergraduate credit including degree conferral (1 in the original language and 1 in English translation) with at least a 3.0 grade-point average on a 4.0 scale. Applicants with a grade-point average below 3.0 will be considered for admission, but admission is not guaranteed. The transcript must contain the following information:
 - Completion of course work required for degree
 - Degree earned and date the degree was conferred; if this is not on the transcript, applicants must also submit a degree certificate and/or diploma
 - Official stamp/seal from the school
- 3 letters of recommendation. Each letter should be attached to the online recommendation form when it is submitted by the recommender.
- A statement of career goals.
- A vita or résumé.
- Proof of English Proficiency (<https://gradapply.ku.edu/english-requirements/>) - Non-native and non-native-like English speakers must demonstrate Full English proficiency to gain admission to a Curriculum and Instruction online graduate program.

Please note: Meeting minimum admission standards does not guarantee admission to the program.

All application materials should be submitted online with the graduate application. If there are application materials that cannot be uploaded with the online application, they may be emailed or mailed to the department:

The University of Kansas
Department of Curriculum and Teaching
Joseph R. Pearson Hall
1122 W. Campus Road, Room 321
Lawrence, KS 66045

Contact us: ctdepartment@ku.edu

The following courses are required.

Master of Science in Education - Curriculum & Instruction - Online

The online Master of Science in Education (M.S.E.) - Curriculum & Instruction degree is a practitioner-focused program for current educators who want to make a difference with effective instructional practices and curriculum development strategies. This program does not lead to an initial teaching license.

The program is comprised of 10 courses for 30 total credit hours and can be completed in two years. The courses are delivered online in an 8-week format.

Code	Title	Hours
C&T 709	Foundations of Curriculum and Instruction	3
EPSY 715	Understanding Research in Education	3
C&T 803	Differentiating Curriculum and Instruction	3
C&T 802	Curriculum Planning for Educational Settings	3
C&T 806	Instructional Strategies and Models	3
C&T 801	Planning for School Improvement	3
C&T 770	Pedagogical Considerations in the 21st Century Classrooms	3
C&T 874	Constructivist Learning Technology	3
C&T 807	Multicultural Education	3
C&T 890	Bridging Theory to Practice: Capstone Portfolio	3
Total Hours		30

Master of Science in Education - Curriculum & Instruction - Reading - Online

The online Master of Science in Education (M.S.E.) - Curriculum & Instruction - Reading program does not lead to initial teacher licensure *nor* to endorsement as a reading specialist; most students enter the program with an active teacher's license. It is best for administrators and those looking to deepen their knowledge of literacy strategies and language acquisition techniques.

The program is comprised of 10 courses for 30 total credit hours and can be completed in two years. The courses are delivered online in an 8-week format.

Code	Title	Hours
C&T 709	Foundations of Curriculum and Instruction	3
EPSY 715	Understanding Research in Education	3
C&T 740	Foundations of Reading: Process, Theory, and Instruction	3
C&T 741	Comprehension and Study Strategies for Use with Multiple Texts	3
C&T 840	Emergent Literacy and Beginning Reading	3
C&T 743	Writing and Spelling Development and Instruction	3
C&T 842	Supporting Striving Readers: Pre-Adolescent through Adult	3
C&T 745	Reading and the English Language Learner	3
C&T 807	Multicultural Education	3
C&T 890	Bridging Theory to Practice: Capstone Portfolio	3
Total Hours		30

Master of Science in Education - Curriculum & Instruction with an Emphasis in Reading Specialist Licensure Endorsement Track - Online program

The online Master of Science in Education (M.S.E.) - Curriculum & Instruction - Reading Specialist (Endorsement) program is intended for those seeking to earn their master's degree in order to pursue state of

Kansas endorsement as a reading specialist. It is best for educators looking to transition to or start a career in reading education, who already hold initial licensure in Kansas. If licensed outside of Kansas, it is the responsibility of the student to verify the licensure and endorsement regulations in their state.

The program is comprised of 11 courses for 33 total credit hours and can be completed in two years. The courses are delivered online in an 8-week format.

Code	Title	Hours
C&T 709	Foundations of Curriculum and Instruction	3
EPSY 715	Understanding Research in Education	3
C&T 740	Foundations of Reading: Process, Theory, and Instruction	3
C&T 741	Comprehension and Study Strategies for Use with Multiple Texts	3
C&T 840	Emergent Literacy and Beginning Reading	3
C&T 841	Early Intervention in Reading Practicum (16 weeks)	3
C&T 842	Supporting Striving Readers: Pre-Adolescent through Adult	3
C&T 843	Supporting Striving Readers Practicum (16 weeks)	3
C&T 807	Multicultural Education	3
C&T 844	The Reading Program: Coordination and Supervision	3
C&T 890	Bridging Theory to Practice: Capstone Portfolio	3
Total Hours		33

Master of Science in Education - Curriculum & Instruction - Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) with Practicum - Online

The online Master of Science in Education (M.S.E.) - Curriculum & Instruction - TESOL with Practicum program includes practica for licensed classroom educators who intend to acquire a licensure endorsement to teach English learners from diverse cultures in their classrooms and schools. It is best for educators looking to transition to or start a career in TESOL, who already hold initial licensure in their state. It is the responsibility of the student to verify the licensure and endorsement regulations in their state.

The program is comprised of 10 courses for 30 total credit hours and can be completed in two years. The courses are delivered online in an 8-week format.

Code	Title	Hours
C&T 709	Foundations of Curriculum and Instruction	3
C&T 820	Methods of Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL)	3
C&T 821	Assessment in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL)	3
C&T 822	Second Language Acquisition for Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages Educators (TESOL)	3
C&T 826	Linguistic Analysis for Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages Educators (TESOL)	3
C&T 807	Multicultural Education	3

C&T 825	Advanced Practicum in Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL)	3
EPSY 715	Understanding Research in Education	3
C&T 824	Problems in Second Language Instruction	3
C&T 890	Bridging Theory to Practice: Capstone Portfolio	3
Total Hours		30

Master of Science in Education - Curriculum & Instruction - Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) - Online

The online Master of Science in Education (M.S.E.) - Curriculum & Instruction - TESOL program does not lead to initial teacher licensure *nor* to endorsement. Participants will gain knowledge about how English as a second or other language students learn within English-speaking classrooms. It is best for consultants, advocates and administrative or government positions within the field of TESOL.

The program is comprised of 10 courses for 30 total credit hours and can be completed in two years. The courses are delivered online in an 8-week format.

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C&T 709	Foundations of Curriculum and Instruction	3
C&T 820	Methods of Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL)	3
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C&T 824	Problems in Second Language Instruction	3
C&T 890	Bridging Theory to Practice: Capstone Portfolio	3
Total Hours		30