



THE GRADUATE SCHOOL | MONTANA STATE UNIVERSITY

DEGREES OFFERED

- M.Ed. in Adult & Higher Education
- M.Ed. in Curriculum & Instruction
- M.Ed. in Educational Leadership
- Ed.S. in Educational Leadership
- Ed.D. in Adult & Higher Education
- Ed.D. in Curriculum & Instruction
- Ed.D. in Educational Leadership
- Ph.D. in Education, Adult & Higher Education
- Ph.D. in Education, Curriculum & Instruction
- Ph.D. in Education, Educational Leadership

Certificates Offered:

- College Teaching Certificate
- Library Media Certificate



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Department of Education Graduate Programs

The Department of Education at Montana State University offers three main graduate programs that combine well established teaching methods with today's advances in technology to provide a rich learning experience for both students and teachers. All three programs, including Adult & Higher Education, Curriculum & Instruction, and Educational Leadership, offer a Masters and Doctoral track with specific options to meet individual goals.

ADULT & HIGHER EDUCATION

The Adult & Higher Education program offers Masters and Doctoral degrees that prepare students to work in formal and informal postsecondary learning environments, contributing to the K-20 pathway. The coursework focuses on: (a) students and their development; (b) leadership and policy; (c) program evaluation and assessment; and (d) preparing future faculty through the college teaching certificate. Our alumni provide vision and leadership to serve the diverse educational needs of our communities.

The Adult and Higher Education program at Montana State University-Bozeman is the only adult and higher education program offered by Montana Higher Education. We use a variety of delivery formats and schedules such as distance, weekends, and weekly evenings in order to meet the needs of individuals within and outside of the Bozeman area.

COLLEGE TEACHING CERTIFICATE

The Adult and Higher Education Program offers a Certificate in College Teaching to develop and promote exemplary teaching among graduate students, aspiring faculty, and current faculty wanting to enhance their teaching skills. The goal of the certificate is to make individuals more competitive in the job market as instructors and faculty members at colleges and universities. A total of 12 credits of course work are required to earn the College Teaching Certificate. Participants may enroll in the program either Fall or Spring.

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CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION

The Master's Degree in Curriculum & Instruction has three options to meet the needs of both K-12 teachers and educational researchers, including the Professional Educator, Educational Researcher, and Technology Education Options. The program provides academic preparation for educators who seek higher education in order to become master teachers, scholars, researchers, or curriculum coordinators in schools, districts, and other educational agencies. The C&I Masters Degree program is structured to allow full-time working professionals to continue their jobs while working toward an advanced degree.

The EdD in Curriculum and Instruction prepares scholarly practitioners who wish to apply theory in practice. It is the degree of choice for those who wish to deepen their understanding of curriculum and instruction while working in applied educational settings.

The PhD in Curriculum and Instruction prepares scholars, researchers, and leaders in education who will work in colleges and universities, government agencies, foundations, and other institutions whose work is focused on education in formal and informal settings.

LIBRARY MEDIA CERTIFICATE

The Library Media Certificate program at MSU enables licensed teachers to earn an added endorsement to become school library media specialists. The program is offered completely online.

EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP

The Educational Leadership program at Montana State University is nationally accredited by CAEP (Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation) as well as by the Montana Board of Public Education. The focus of the program is to prepare K-12 school principals and school superintendents to effectively serve Montana communities and rural communities throughout the Northern Plains and Northern Rocky Mountain region of the United States.

Those students completing the degree requirements for the MEd will also have met the academic requirements necessary for a Montana Class 3 Administrative license with a K-12 Principal Endorsement. Students completing the degree requirements for the EdS or EdD will also have met the academic requirements necessary for a Montana Class 3 Administrative license with a Superintendent endorsement. Additionally, Superintendent Preparation programs are available for those students who already hold a Master's degree in Education and qualify for a Montana Class I Teaching License.

All options in the Educational Leadership program are offered using a combination of delivery methods. Online courses are delivered completely via distance technology and hybrid courses use a combination of distance delivery and face to face meetings.

PROGRAM	DELIVERY METHOD	# OF CREDITS	TYPICAL # OF YRS TO COMPLETION	GRE REQUIRED FOR ADMISSION	APPLICATION DEADLINE DATE - SPRING	APPLICATION DEADLINE DATE - SUMMER	APPLICATION DEADLINE DATE - FALL	# OF YEARS PREVIOUS TEACHING EXPERIENCE REQUIRED	PREVIOUSLY EARNED DEGREE REQUIRED
ADULT & HIGHER EDUCATION									
MEd	blended	30	2.5	Yes	November 1	April 1	April 1	NA	Bachelors
EdD	blended	51-60	4	Yes	November 1	April 1	April 1	NA	Masters
PhD	face to face	64	4	Yes	none	none	April 1	NA	Masters
College Teaching Certificate	blended	12	1	No	November 1	April 1	April 1	NA	Bachelors
CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION									
MEd	online	30	2-3	Educational Researcher option only	November 1	April 1	April 1	3+	Bachelors
EdD	blended	45	3-4	Yes	November 1	April 1	April 1	NA	Masters
PhD	face to face	64	4	Yes	none	none	April 1	NA	Masters
Library Media Certificate	online	21	1-2	No	November 1	April 1	April 1	NA	Bachelors
EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP									
MEd	blended, online during year, face to face in summer	36	2	No	November 1	April 1	April 1	1, 3 before degree completion	Bachelors
EdS	blended	30	2	No	November 1	April 1	April 1	NA	Masters
EdD	blended	53	4	Yes	November 1	April 1	April 1	NA	Masters
PhD	face to face	64	4	Yes	none	none	April 1	NA	Masters