

SCHOOL OF GRADUATE STUDIES

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MASTER OF ARTS IN TEACHING (MAT) HISTORY

Objectives

The Master of Arts in Teaching - History, a thirty-nine (39) hour program which is to be completed within a six year period, is available for either Liberal Arts graduates who wish to begin preparation for teaching at the middle school or secondary level or practicing teachers who desire to expand their understanding of the educational process while increasing their formal education in history. Completion of the MAT-History program fulfills the requirement for initial licensure for teaching history in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Admissions

Visit salemstate.edu/graduate for admissions requirements.

Additional Admissions Requirements: Preliminary Licensure includes passing scores on the Massachusetts Tests for Educator Licensure (MTEL), both in the communication/literacy portion and the subject area portion appropriate for this program, in addition to other requirements. Students with no teacher preparation course work should consult with the program coordinator.

A course in adolescent psychology

Equivalent of an undergraduate minor in history

A course in historical methodology

It may be possible to take a limited number of courses prior to formal admission to the program. If you are interested in this option, please contact the graduate program coordinator. If you are accepted into the program, you must meet with the graduate program coordinator to develop a tentative plan of study and discuss any transfer credits. Graduate program coordinator contact information may be found at salemstate.edu/graduate/programs.

Program Requirements

Upon acceptance into the program, you will complete a tentative Plan of Study in consultation with the program coordinator. At that meeting, you will designate on your plan of study which program track you wish to complete, either the middle school track or the secondary track. You must request that any transfer credits be considered at this time. PLEASE NOTE THAT NO MORE THAN THREE COURSES TAKEN AT SALEM STATE UNIVERSITY BEFORE ADMISSION CAN BE COUNTED TOWARDS THIS PROGRAM. You should meet regularly with the program coordinator to discuss your progress and revise your plan of study, as needed.

All candidates for the MAT-History must complete a minimum of 39 credit hours of graduate course work as described below.

Course Requirements

Education (12 Credits)

- EDU 884 - Curriculum Issues in the Middle School (5-8 Middle School Track)
or
- EDU 808 - The American High School (8-12 Secondary Track)

- EDG 705 - Responding to Diversity in the Classroom
- EDU 709 - Instruction & Assessment in the Secondary Classroom
- EDU 814 - Reading and Writing in the Content Areas

Research (6 Credits)

- HST 702 - Methods, Techniques, and Strategies in Teaching History

- HST 704 - History Alive: Using Cultural Resources to Teach History
or
- HST 706 - Institute: Preserving the Past: Enrichment of the Social Studies Curriculum

Electives (15 Credits)

- Five History electives selected in consultation with the program coordinator

Practicum and Seminar (6 credits)

- EDU 911MH - Practicum in Teaching History in Middle School (5-8 Middle School Track)
or
- EDU 925H - Practicum in Teaching History (8-12 Secondary Track)

- EDU 925HS - Practicum Seminar in Teaching History

Total Credits: 39

Additional Information and Notes

Candidates for educational licensure must also take and pass the Massachusetts Tests for Educator Licensure.

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