

Major Course Requirements

This program is offered during summers only.

A minimum of 47 hours

► **Pedagogy Requirements (28 hours):**

EDUC 510	Leadership in Education	3
EDUC 513	Progressive Instructional Strategies	3
EDUC 515	Educational & Psychological Evaluation	3
EDUC 516	American Curriculum	3
EDUC 517	Current Issues in Education	3
EDUC 525	Teaching Children with Reading Difficulties	3
EDUC 525L	Field Experience	1
EDUC 530	Brain Research and Learning	3
EDUC 538	Computers in the Classroom, Level 2	2
EDUC 538L	Computer Lab	1
EDUC 550	Advanced Study of Exceptional Children in the Classroom	3

► **Action Research Project (7 hours)**

EDUC 596	Methods in Research	2
EDUC 597	Action Research Project	5

► **Subject Matter Courses (11 hours)**

At least 11 hours of graduate-level (or reserved graduate) electives, chosen in consultation with Education and Subject Matter advisors and designed to strengthen subject matter knowledge.

For the SDA Professional Elementary Certificate

If not taken previously, coursework must include two of the following- Fine Arts Methods, PE Methods, Children's Literature, Applied Arts Methods.

For the SDA Professional Secondary Certificate

If not taken previously, coursework must include Education of the Exceptional Student, Multicultural Education, Learning Theory/Style, and Reading in Content Areas.

Reserved Credit

Students who have completed 135 hours toward a baccalaureate degree and who will be eligible to apply for admission to the M.Ed. program after graduation may request to reserve a maximum of 8 quarter hours of approved upper-division courses for application to the M.Ed. provided that they are not needed to fulfill requirements for the bachelor's degree. Students interested in this option should make arrangements with the Education Department and the Records Office.

The M.Ed. Program

Admission to the M.Ed. Program

All potential students, including former Pacific Union College students, must apply for admission both to the college and to the M.Ed. program. Please contact the Credential Analyst in the Education Department for application materials. The prerequisites for admission are as follows:

1. A baccalaureate degree from a regionally-accredited institution of higher education.
2. A state credential or SDA credential, or eligibility for these credentials.
3. Admission to Pacific Union College.
4. Submission of a graduate application to the Education Department that includes the following:
 - a) application form
 - b) two recommendations
 - c) official transcripts
 - d) interview with department chair and one other Education faculty member
 - e) essay discussing interests and goals
5. A minimum GPA of 3.0 in each of the following areas:
 - a) Undergraduate upper-division major
 - b) Education courses
 - c) Overall college work, or the last 96 quarter hours
6. Acceptable scores in the Graduate Record Examination (GRE) General Test.
7. A proposed program of studies appropriate to the student's strengths, interests, and professional goals.

Transfer Credit for the M.Ed. Program

The department chair must approve credit for any coursework taken prior to admission to the program.

A maximum of 12 quarter hours of approved transfer credits may be applied toward the degree.

Credit earned by correspondence, examination, student teaching or continuing education is not applicable to the M.Ed. course requirements.

Graduation from the M.Ed. Program

M.Ed. candidates have the option of fulfilling requirements under the catalog of their first enrollment or any subsequent catalog during the time of continuous enrollment. To receive the M.Ed., students must meet the following requirements

1. Satisfactory completion of approved Program of Studies.
2. A minimum overall graduate GPA of 3.0 with no grade lower than B-.
3. Satisfactory completion of examinations and projects as determined by the student's Committee on Studies.
4. Completion of requirements within seven calendar years beginning with the first enrollment in courses counting toward the master's degree or date of acceptance into the program, whichever comes first. Students who take these courses at any time during the seven-year period are considered to have continuous enrollment status. A time extension requires approval from the Education Department.

Student Learning Outcomes

Students can:

- Demonstrate leadership skills in the school environment where they are employed.
- Demonstrate technological proficiency.
- Use innovative and sophisticated teaching methodologies to improve teaching in their own classrooms.
- Demonstrate a broadened knowledge of subject matter content.
- Exhibit awareness of current education trends and issues and make application in their own classrooms.
- Deepen their understanding of children and appropriate teaching strategies.
- Demonstrate their ability to conduct research and write an action research project relevant to the field of education.

Teaching Credentials

When the requirements for the master's degree have been met, the student may qualify for the Seventh-day Adventist Professional elementary teaching credential, if needed.

For information regarding credential requirements contact the Credential Analyst in the Education Department.

Occupational Information

What can I do with this major?

M.Ed. program participants are usually teachers employed in full-time elementary, middle school, or secondary teaching positions. The degree provides an opportunity to advance and hone teaching skills as well as participate in scholarly research.

Additional Education Required?

The M.Ed. provides a foundation for further graduate study in a doctoral program if desired

Public Sector vs. Denominational?

Teachers with master's degrees are employed in both the public and SDA school systems.

Job Outlook

The job outlook for teachers is excellent. The demand for teachers is high and is expected to increase.

For More Information

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How to Construct Your Own Program

1. Contact the Education Department Credential Office to obtain an application for admission to the master's degree program. Admission to the program must be granted prior to enrollment in graduate level coursework.
2. Meet with your assigned advisor to work out a formal program of studies.
3. Take coursework as available during the summer quarter.
4. Complete all degree requirements within 7 years of admission to the program.

Sample Four-Year Program

This program is a "summer only" program.

This suggested sequence is for a four-summer program. It can also be spread out over a longer period of time (7 year limit).

First Summer (10-12 hours)

EDUC 510 Leadership in Education (3)
EDUC 517 Current Issues in Education (3)
EDUC 530 Brain Research and Learning (3)
Electives

Second or Third Summer (11-12 hours)

EDUC 513 Progressive Instructional Strategies (3)
EDUC 538+L Computers in the Classroom+Lab (2,1)
Electives

Second or Third Summer (10-12 hours)

EDUC 515 Educational & Psychological Evaluation (3)
EDUC 525+L Teaching Children w/ Reading Diff+Lab (3+1)
EDUC 550 Advanced Study of Exceptional Children (3)
Electives

Fourth Summer (10-12 hours)

EDUC 516 American Curriculum (3)
EDUC 596 Methods of Research (2)
EDUC 597 Action Research Project (5)
Electives