

CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION (EDCI)

Graduate Degree Program
College: Education

Abstract

The Curriculum and Instruction (EDCI) program, housed within the Department of Teaching and Learning, Policy and Leadership, offers graduate study leading to the Master of Education (M.Ed.). The Department offers a variety of programs individually designed to meet graduate students' personal and professional goals which may include educational research, teaching, supervising, providing leadership as curriculum specialists within the disciplines, teacher education or consulting at all levels of instruction: elementary, secondary and higher education. Some of the M.Ed. concentrations lead to teacher certification, including concentrations for candidates who have a bachelor's degree in fields other than education and wish to become certified teachers (<https://education.umd.edu/academics/departments/tlpl/prospective-students/>). Other options include "stand-alone" M.Ed. concentrations intended for teachers and other education professionals. We also offer masters programs intended for education professionals whose work centers around research, as M.A. in the Teaching & Learning, Policy & Leadership program (TLPL).

For a complete list of current programs and specializations, please see the TLPL master's program listings (<https://education.umd.edu/academics/programs/graduate/masters/?department=25894>).

NOTE: Students interested in the M.Ed. (as opposed to the M.A.) programs should apply to EDCI, even though the Department of Teaching and Learning, Policy and Leadership (TLPL) now sponsors these programs. Students interested in a master of arts (M.A.) degree should visit Education: Teaching and Learning, Policy and Leadership (EDTL) in the graduate catalog. Students interested in the Department's Ph.D. program should go to Teaching and Learning, Policy and Leadership (TLPL) in the graduate catalog.

Financial Assistance

A variety of sources are available for seeking financial assistance in the way of graduate assistantships, scholarships, fellowships and financial aid loans. For more information visit <https://education.umd.edu/admissions/financial-aid-scholarships/general-coe-scholarship-application> (<https://education.umd.edu/admissions/financial-aid-scholarships/general-coe-scholarship-application/>).

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Courses: TLPL (<https://umd-curr.courseleaf.com/graduate/courses/tlpl/>)

ADMISSIONS

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS

- Statement of Purpose
- Transcript(s)
- TOEFL/IELTS/PTE (international graduate students (<https://gradschool.umd.edu/admissions/english-language-proficiency-requirements/>))

PROGRAM-SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS

M.Ed. (non-certification) admissions requirements

- Letters of Recommendation (3)
- CV/Resume

M.Ed. (with certification) admissions requirements

- Letters of Recommendation (3)
- CV/Resume
- Supplementary Application (<https://gradschool.umd.edu/sites/default/files/2023-10/umdbasicskillstestrequirementsedci2024rev.pdf>)

Application Deadlines

Type of Applicant	Fall Deadline	Spring Deadline	Summer Deadline
Domestic Applicants			
US Citizens and Permanent Residents	July 10, 2026 (non-certification)	September 30, 2025 (non-certification)	N/A
	June 5, 2025 (with certification)	November 14, 2025 (with certification)	November 4, 2025 (with certification)
International Applicants			
F (student) or J (exchange visitor) visas; A, E, G, H, I and L visas and immigrants	March 13, 2026 (both programs)	September 30, 2025 (both programs)	N/A

RESOURCES AND LINKS:

Program Website: <https://education.umd.edu/academics/departments/tlpl> (<https://education.umd.edu/academics/departments/tlpl/>)

Application Process: gradschool.umd.edu/admissions (<https://gradschool.umd.edu/admissions/>)

REQUIREMENTS

- Art Education, Master of Education (M.Ed.) (<https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/programs/curriculum-instruction-edci/art-education-noncert-med/>)

- Arts Integration, Master of Education (M.Ed.) (<https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/programs/curriculum-instruction-edci/arts-integration-noncert-med/>)
- Creative Initiatives in Teacher Education, Master of Education (certification, M.Ed.) (<https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/programs/curriculum-instruction-edci/cite-cert-med/>)
- Elementary Education, Master of Education (certification, M.Ed.) (<https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/programs/curriculum-instruction-edci/elementary-cert-med/>)
- Elementary-Middle School Education, Master of Education (M.Ed.) (<https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/programs/curriculum-instruction-edci/elementary-middle-school-noncert-med/>)
- English Literacy Education, Master of Education (M.Ed.) (<https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/programs/curriculum-instruction-edci/english-literacy-education-noncert-med/>)
- Mathematics Education, Master of Education (M.Ed.) (<https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/programs/curriculum-instruction-edci/mathematics-education-noncert-med/>)
- Middle School Education, Master of Education (certification, M.Ed.) (<https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/programs/curriculum-instruction-edci/middle-school-cert-med/>)
- Middle School Mathematics Education, Master of Education (M.Ed.) (<https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/programs/curriculum-instruction-edci/middle-school-mathematics-education-noncert-med/>)
- PreK-12 Art Education, Master of Education (certification, M.Ed.) (<https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/programs/curriculum-instruction-edci/prek12-art-cert-med/>)
- PreK-12 Dance Education, Master of Education (certification, M.Ed.) (<https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/programs/curriculum-instruction-edci/prek12-dance-cert-med/>)
- PreK-12 Health Education, Master of Education (certification, M.Ed.) (<https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/programs/curriculum-instruction-edci/prek12-health-education-cert-med/>)
- PreK-12 Physical Education, Master of Education (certification, M.Ed.) (<https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/programs/curriculum-instruction-edci/prek12-physical-education-cert-med/>)
- PreK-12 Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages, Master of Education (certification, M.Ed.) (<https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/programs/curriculum-instruction-edci/prek12-tesol-cert-med/>)
- PreK-12 World Languages, Master of Education (certification, M.Ed.) (<https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/programs/curriculum-instruction-edci/prek12-world-languages-cert-med/>)
- Reading Education & Reading Specialist, Master of Education, (certification, M.Ed.) (<https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/programs/curriculum-instruction-edci/reading-specialist-cert-med/>)
- Reading Education, Master of Education (M.Ed.) (<https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/programs/curriculum-instruction-edci/reading-education-noncert-med/>)
- Science Education, Master of Education (M.Ed.) (<https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/programs/curriculum-instruction-edci/science-education-noncert-med/>)
- Secondary Computer Science Education, Master of Education (certification, M.Ed.) (<https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/programs/curriculum-instruction-edci/secondary-computer-science-cert-med/>)
- Secondary English Education, Master of Education (certification, M.Ed.) (<https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/programs/curriculum-instruction-edci/secondary-english-cert-med/>)
- Secondary Mathematics Education, Master of Education (certification, M.Ed.) (<https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/programs/curriculum-instruction-edci/secondary-mathematics-cert-med/>)
- Secondary Sciences Education, Master of Education (certification, M.Ed.) (<https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/programs/curriculum-instruction-edci/secondary-sciences-cert-med/>)
- Secondary Social Studies Education, Master of Education (certification, M.Ed.) (<https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/programs/curriculum-instruction-edci/secondary-social-studies-cert-med/>)
- Social Studies Education, Master of Education (M.Ed.) (<https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/programs/curriculum-instruction-edci/social-studies-education-noncert-med/>)
- STEM Elementary Education, Master of Education (M.Ed.) (<https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/programs/curriculum-instruction-edci/stem-elementary-noncert-med/>)
- TESOL Teacher Leadership, Master of Education (M.Ed.) (<https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/programs/curriculum-instruction-edci/tesol-teacher-leadership-noncert-med/>)
- Urban Education, Master of Education (M.Ed.) (<https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/programs/curriculum-instruction-edci/minority-urban-education-noncert-med/>)
- World Languages Education, Master of Education (certification, M.Ed.) (<https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/programs/curriculum-instruction-edci/world-languages-cert-med/>)
- World Languages Education, Master of Education (M.Ed.) (<https://academiccatalog.umd.edu/graduate/programs/curriculum-instruction-edci/world-languages-education-noncert-med/>)

FACILITIES AND SPECIAL RESOURCES

Faculty and students in the department work closely with area schools, colleges, universities, associations and other education-related organizations. Extensive resources in the Washington, D.C., area, including embassies and other international organizations, provide exceptional opportunities for internships and field experiences, research, and materials to enhance formal course experiences. Facilities that support graduate study include the Center for Mathematics Education, the Center for Science and Technology in Education, the Multicultural Research Center, and the Maryland Equity Project. Additional facilities in the College of Education include the Educational Technology Services Center and numerous Professional Development Schools in local school districts.