

University of West Florida

College of Professional Studies

Division of Engineering and Computer Technology

Curriculum & Instruction, M.E.d.

Career & Technical Comprehensive Specialization

The Career and Technical Education Comprehensive Specialization is an NCATE accredited program. Students may use the course work completed to apply for initial teacher certification. This specialization is designed to develop master teachers who will be prepared for the instructional roles in career and technical education. Students in this Master's degree specialization have 21 semester hours of required core courses shown below. It should be noted that students will select a Faculty Mentor before completing EDG 5366. This Faculty Mentor will provide career advice, provide advice about the selection of elective courses related to the student's area of interest, and provide direction and advisement to the students concerning professional issues. Students must also complete a Cognate program of study of at least 15 semester hours. The Cognate Area options are: (a) For those teachers who are currently employed and are in an Alternative Certification Program approved by their school district, the Cognate Area will consist of 15 semester hours of course work that is approved by the student's school district and is designed to meet the requirements for Alternative Certification. Additionally, students will be required to take a one semester hour elective course. (b) For those teachers who are entering with initial teacher certification, the Cognate will consist of a program of study developed collaboratively between the student and the Faculty Mentor and approved by the Chair, Engineering and Computer Technology. Course work may be designed to allow for additional certification or to develop a depth or breadth of knowledge in an area of inquiry, and (c) For those students who do not possess teacher certification, the Cognate Area will consist of the same 14 semester hours of course work required of those students in the Alternative Certification program. Additionally, students will develop with their Faculty Mentor an experiential course component consisting of Practica and possibly additional course work designed to provide the professional and instructional skills necessary to become an effective teacher.

Required Core

- EDF 6691 Issues in Teacher Education: A Bio-Psycho-Social Understanding
- EDM 6235 Integrated Curriculum and Instruction/Middle Level Education
- EDM 6411 Practical Applications and Issues in Assessment and Classroom Management: Middle Level Education
- EEX 6051 Exceptionalities
- EDG 5366 Investigative Strategies and Empirical Foundations in Learning & Development

- EDM 6911 Action Research
- EDM 6912 Research Practicum

Cognate Courses (15 sh minimum)

- EVT 5175 Curriculum and Staff Development for Career and Technical Education Programs
- EVT 6664 School Involvement & Community Relations
- 9 Semester Hours - Advisor Approved CTE Electives

Accreditation: The University of West Florida is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS), and the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE). In addition, graduate programs are reviewed and/or approved by the Florida Department of Education.

To learn more about the University of West Florida Online Campus and how to get started in this exciting program visit the following links:

Visit the Campus: <http://youniversity.tv/uwf.htm>

Admission: <http://onlinecampus.uwf.edu/getstarted/apply.cfm>. Deadlines for Applications and Supporting Documents: Fall Semester – June 30th; Spring Semester – November 1st; Summer Semester – April 1st. If you would like to begin online courses before the formal degree application process is concluded, please complete and submit the: [Non-Degree Student Documentation](#).

Tuition: <http://onlinecampus.uwf.edu/affordable/tuition.cfm>. Non-Florida residents are eligible for an Out-of-State tuition waiver upon request. [Out-of-State Tuition Fee Waiver Form](#).

Financial Aid: <http://onlinecampus.uwf.edu/getstarted/financialaid.cfm>.

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