

University of West Florida

College of Professional Studies, School of Education

Curriculum & Instruction, M.Ed.

Middle Level Education Comprehensive Specialization

This program is an NCATE approved Comprehensive Specialization in Middle Level Education. Prospective students must possess professional certification to be eligible for admission into this specialization. This specialization is designed to develop master teachers who will be prepared for the instructional and leadership roles in Middle Level education. Students in this Master's degree specialization have 21 semester hours of required core courses as 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 directions and advisement to the student concerning professional issues. Students must also complete a Cognate program of study of at least 15 semester hours. Possible Cognate areas for consideration are Applied Behavior Analysis, Career & Technical, ESOL, and/or Reading Endorsement. Before graduating, students will be required to complete an action research project. This 36 semester hour program is 100% online and includes the following courses:

Required Core Course (3 sh)

EDF 6691 Issues in Teacher Education: A Bio-Psycho-Social Understanding

Divisional Core Courses (9 sh)

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

Educational Investigative Sequence (9 sh)

EDG 5366 Investigative Strategies & Empirical Foundations in Learning & Development (A Faculty Mentor must be selected before completing EDG 5366)

EDM 6911 Action Research

Course offered 1-6 sh per semester

EDM 6912 Research Practicum

Cognate Courses (15 sh)

Course Plan must be approved by Faculty Mentor & Chairperson before initiating Cognate Courses. Selected courses will be an elective cognate for potential cohort groups and alternative certification students.

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 by the Florida Department of Education.

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 <https://secure.uwf.edu/admissions/secure/xap/xappage1.cfm>.

Tuition: <http://onlinecampus.uwf.edu/affordable/tuition.cfm>. Non-Florida residents admitted to this program are eligible for an Out-of-State tuition waiver upon request. Out-of-State Tuition Fee Waiver <http://onlinecampus.uwf.edu/affordable/waivers.cfm>.

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

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