

Program:	Elementary Education	Dept:	Curriculum and Instruction
Major:	Elementary Education	College:	Education and Professional Studies
Degree:	Master of Education (M.Ed.)	Major Code:	3640

Elementary Education, M.Ed.

The master's degree in Elementary Education is designed to provide a more advanced program of study for teachers in Elementary School settings.

The student will be required to demonstrate a basic knowledge of educational research including: research procedures, and methods; sources and formats utilized for presenting education research; critical review of research reports; and the preparation and defense of a research proposal.

The curriculum is designed to provide an individualized program of study based on the student's experience and professional goals. The student will be required to demonstrate their knowledge in the following areas: curriculum theory and development; theoretical basis of instructional practices; current practices, innovations, and trends in various subjects; current instructional materials; norm-referenced and criterion-referenced evaluation of pupils' progress including development, use, interpretation, and reporting; social class and cultural background differences among students and their implications; methods of developing and implementing instructional programs for culturally different pupils; historical development of elementary education in America; the impact of society and social change on the educational process; and major philosophical views of education and their relation to educational theory and practice.

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Admission Requirements

Submit the following items to:

Jackson College of Graduate Studies
100 N. University Drive, NUC 404
Edmond, OK 73034

- Online application for admission (www.uco.edu/graduate/).
- Official copies of graduate and undergraduate transcripts from each institute attended with all degrees posted. All transcripts must be from accredited institutions. Undergraduate transcripts must show a minimum 2.75 overall GPA or 2.75 GPA in the last 60 hours attempted.*
- Students with a native language other than English must have a minimum TOEFL iBT score of 24 on the written examination, and must meet the requirements included in the [Admission to Graduate Studies - English Language Proficiency \(p.18\)](#).
- Copy of a current teaching certificate.

**Students falling below these standards may qualify for conditional admission. See [Admission to Graduate Studies \(p.17\)](#).*

NOTE: Applicants who do not have a degree in Elementary Education and a current teaching certificate in Elementary Education may be admitted to the program but must complete all certification requirements concurrent with the Master of Education in Elementary Education degree. See Master of Elementary Education and Certification in Elementary Education requirements.

Other Requirements

- Plan of Study. Each student must file a plan of study with their graduate program advisor and the Jackson College of Graduate Studies (JCGS) by the end of the first semester of graduate work. The plan must be signed and dated by the student and the graduate program advisor before it can be considered official.

- Academic Standards. Meet the following course work standards:
 - Overall GPA of 3.00 or higher.
 - No more than six hours of "C".
- Certification Examination. Completion of all requirements for taking the three Oklahoma Teacher Certification Exams for Elementary Education and submission of certification exam scores to the Office of Teacher Education Services and the candidate's graduate advisor, if applicable.
- Final Requirements. Apply for graduation through the JCGS by advertised deadline.

Graduation Requirements

Required Courses.....30 Hours

Course Prefix	Course No.	Course Title
ECED	5223	Educ. Practices of Constructivist Teachers
ELED	5253	STEM Tchng & Lrng Grades 1-8
ELED	5613	Contemporary Issues in Elementary Education
ELED	5633	Curriculum Studies in Elementary Education
ELED	5653	Literacy in the Elementary Classroom
ELED	5733	Teaching for Mathematics Understanding
ELED	5753	Social Studies in a Global Environment
ELED	5883	Teachers as Researchers
ELED	5900	Practicum (1 credit hour)
ESFR	5013	Foundations of Educational Research
TESL	5212	Cultural/Linguistic Diversity in Schools

Guided Electives.....6 Hours

Curriculum Enhancement electives to be determined under the guidance of the graduate advisory. Thesis completion can be included in the Guided Electives.

TOTAL HOURS REQUIRED 36 HOURS