



Educator Information Office

The Educator Information Office (EIO) is your first stop for learning about the School of Education's Minor in Education, as well as the many educator licensure programs offered through the University of Massachusetts Amherst. At the EIO, you will find clear, practical information and the assistance of a knowledgeable and friendly staff.

We look forward to meeting you!

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Applications

Applications are available at the Educator Information Office in 121 Furcolo Hall. Graduate school applications may also be completed online: www.umass.edu/gradschool.

Deadlines

Undergraduate: March 1
Post-Baccalaureate: March 1, October 1 (licensure only)
M.Ed./M.A.T.: January 15
Cross-Campus Graduate: March 1

Massachusetts Tests For Educator Licensure (MTEL)

Passing scores on the MTEL are required for licensure for anyone who wants to become a teacher, specialist, school administrator, or professional support personnel in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. The tests, required by the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE), are administered by National Evaluation Systems and have two parts: the Communication and Literacy Skills (CLS) Test and Subject Tests. The University's policy regarding the MTEL is as follows:

Undergraduates and Post-baccalaureate students must achieve a passing score on the CLS test as a prerequisite for admission;

Graduate students must achieve a passing score on the CLS in their first semester of study;

All students must pass the Subject Matter test (if one has been developed for that licensure area) before enrolling in the practicum.

The CLS Test is offered seven times a year in Massachusetts, and the Subject Tests are offered on five of these testing dates. Since scores are not usually sent out until six weeks after the test, undergraduate applicants should plan to take the C&LS Test at least two months prior to applying to the program. Post-baccalaureate and masters candidates may enhance their candidacy for admission by submitting passing C&LS test scores as part of their applications.

The Educator Licensure Office offers a series of outstanding test preparation workshops for the C&LS portion to support candidates' success on the MTEL. Information about the workshops, study guides, and MTEL registration booklets are available in 130 Furcolo Hall (413-545-2701).

www.mtel.nesinc.com



An Introduction to the UMass Amherst Educator Preparation Programs

for anyone interested in becoming
a teacher, specialist, school administrator,
or professional support personnel



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Our Educator Licensure Programs

Type of Programs

- Undergraduate
- Post-Baccalaureate (licensure only)
- M.Ed./M.A.T.
- Cross-Campus Graduate
- Minor in Education (without licensure)

Program Offerings

- a solid grounding in subject matter knowledge
- professional preparation courses taught by outstanding University faculty
- excellent faculty advising
- field experiences and practica in a diverse range of schools and appropriate agencies
- close, careful supervision during practica
- career support for finding your first job
- interstate compact with 46 states

Admission Requirements

Each program has specific requirements for admission, including the following:

- content area preparation appropriate to the subject area, or the commitment to acquire such preparation upon admission;
- a minimum GPA of 2.75, and in some areas 3.0;
- a formal application that includes official transcripts, letters of recommendation, and a personal statement;
- interviews, portfolios, and/or resumes (specific programs only);
- a passing score on Communication and Literacy Skills Test of the Massachusetts Tests for Educator Licensure (undergraduates & Post-BA students);
- the Graduate Record Examination (GRE) is recommended and may be required by some programs.

We are especially interested in candidates who have relevant work experience and a commitment to equity in education. We encourage you to include information about your experience in your personal statement and on your résumé when you apply.

Educator Preparation Programs Undergraduate (UG), Post-Baccalaureate (PBA), and Graduate (G)	
Art Education PreK-8, 5-12 Dr. Martha Taunton 362 Fine Arts Center 413.545.1902 mtaunton@art.umass.edu	UG G
Early Childhood and Elementary PreK-2 or 1-6 Collaborative Teacher Education Pathway Bridges to the Future: Elementary (1-6) UWW Paraprofessional Licensure Pathway Dr. Camille Cammack 224A Furcolo Hall 413-545-5734 jcammack@educ.umass.edu	G G UG
English as a Second Language (ESL) PreK-6, 5-12 Language, Literacy, and Culture Office 205 Furcolo 413.545.3675 llicensure@gmail.com	PBA G
Latin and Classical Humanities 5-12 Dr. Kenneth Kitchell 529 Herter Hall 413.545.4249 kkitchel@classics.umass.edu	G
Music All levels Dr. Benedict Smar 261 Fine Arts Center 413.577.1214 bsmar@acad.umass.edu	UG
Secondary Teacher Education Program (STEP) English: 5-8, 8-12 History/Political Science: 5-8, 8-12 Mathematics: 5-8, 8-12 Sciences: Biology, Chemistry, Physics: 8-12; General Science 5-8; Earth Science: 5-8, 8-12 French & Italian, Spanish & Portuguese: 5-12 Chinese: 5-12 (PBA and G only) Dr. Barbara Madeloni 103 Furcolo Hall 413.577.0495 madeloni@educ.umass.edu	UG PBA G
Special Education PreK-8, 5-12 Dr. Mary Lynn Boscardin 175 Hills South 413.545.1193 mlbosco@educ.umass.edu	G

Specialist, Professional Support Personnel, and Administrator Licensure Programs (Graduate only)
Administration: Principal, Asst. Principal PreK-6, 5-8, and 9-12 Dr. Jeffrey Eiseman 260 Hills South 413.545.1536 jeiseman@educ.umass.edu
Administrator of Special Education All levels Dr. Mary Lynn Boscardin 175 Hills South 413.545.1193 mlbosco@educ.umass.edu
Reading Specialist All levels Language, Literacy, and Culture Office 205 Furcolo 413.545.3675 llicensure@gmail.com
School Counseling PreK-8, 5-12 Dr. Catherine Dimmitt 358 Hills South Building 413.577.1358 cdimmitt@educ.umass.edu
School Psychologist All levels Dr. John Hintze Hills South Building 413.577.1470/5-3610 hintze@educ.umass.edu
Speech, Language, and Hearing Disorders All levels Dr. Jane Baran 358 North Pleasant Street #201E 413.545.0565 baran@comdis.umass.edu www.umass.edu/sphhs/comdis