## Master of Arts in Teaching

### Program Entrance Requirements

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<td>1. Bachelor’s degree (non-education)</td>
<td>from a regionally/nationally accredited institution of higher learning</td>
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<td>2. <strong>CORE</strong> (Core Academic Skills for Educators)</td>
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<td>3. Praxis II (Specialty Area Test)</td>
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### Subject Areas of Licensure

- **Art** - 0134 or 5134, Biology-0235 or 5235, Business-0101 or 5101, Chemistry-0245 or 5245, Chinese-5665, Economics-0911, *Elementary Education (grades 4-6)*-0014 or 5014, English-5038, French-5174, German-5183, Health-5551, Home Economics-0121 or 5121, Latin-0601, Library Media-0311 or 5311, Marketing-0561, Math-5161, Music-5113, Physical Education-0091 or 5091, Physical Science-0481, Physics-0265 or 5265, Social Studies-0081 or 5081, Spanish-5195, **Special Education**-0354 or 5354, Speech Communications-0221 or 5221

**NOTE:** BEGINNING SEPTEMBER, 2014, NEW TEST CODES WILL BE OFFERED BY EDUCATIONAL TESTING SERVICE FOR ELEMENTARY EDUCATION (TEST #5018) AND HOME ECONOMICS (TEST #5122). ALSO, PHYSICAL SCIENCE (TEST #0481) WILL NO LONGER BE ADMINISTERED BY ETS AFTER JUNE, 2014, SO THAT ENDORSEMENT WILL NO LONGER BE OFFERED THROUGH ALTERNATE ROUTE CERTIFICATION.

### Requirements for initial Three Year Alternate Route License (non-renewable)

Enroll in a MAT program and complete six (6) graduate hours pre-teaching course requirements from an approved Master of Arts in Teaching program. The courses are:

- *Tests and Measurements*
- *Classroom Management*

**Upon completion of 6 hours:**

1. Applicant must contact the MAT college/university attended and request an online recommendation, after the coursework is completed. The applicant must then apply to the online recommendation in the Educator Licensure Management System (ELMS) [https://sso.mde.ms.gov/Login/Login.aspx](https://sso.mde.ms.gov/Login/Login.aspx).

2. Sealed transcripts from all college coursework, including bachelor’s degree and six hours of MAT program, must be sent to the Office of Educator Licensure. The transcript(s) must be submitted in a sealed envelope(s) bearing the seal or signature of the registrar. The Office of Educator Licensure is also now accepting electronic transcripts through eScrip-Safe from those institutions that are members of eScrip and can send electronic transcripts. **The electronic transcript must be sent directly from the institution to the Mississippi Department of Education.**

3. Praxis CORE and subject area scores must be on file in the ELMS account. To verify that scores were sent from ETS, the applicant can click on “Tests” in ELMS. 

*The initial MAT license is a three-year license issued only at the bachelor’s level*

*Supplemental endorsements may be added to a three-year MAT license*

See [http://www.mde.k12.ms.us/educator-licensure/supplemental-endorsements](http://www.mde.k12.ms.us/educator-licensure/supplemental-endorsements) for adding supplemental endorsements.
| Location and Contact Information | Alcorn State University, 601-877-6149  
Belhaven College, 601-965-7046  
Delta State University, 662-846-4380  
Jackson State University, 601-979-2335  
Mississippi College, 601-925-3250  
MS Valley State University, 662-325-0366  
**William Carey College, 601-318-6144  
Mississippi State University, 662-325-0366  
Mississippi State University's Meridian Campus, 601-484-0175  
*MS University for Women, 662-329-7175  
*University of Southern MS, 601-266-4568 (additional coursework required)  
University of Mississippi, 662-915-7063  
*Elementary Grades 4-6 is not offered at these locations.  
**William Carey University is the only location approved for Special Education. More information can be obtained at the following link: http://www.wmcarey.edu/master-education-art-teaching-alternate-route. |
| Requirements for Five Year Alternate Route License (renewable) | Completion of six additional graduate hours including supervised internship prescribed by the participating institution  
Upon completion of internship requirement:  
1. Applicant must contact the MAT college/university attended and request an online recommendation, after the coursework is completed. The applicant must then apply to the online recommendation in the Educator Licensure Management System (ELMS) https://sso.mde.ms.gov/Login/Login.aspx.  
2. Sealed transcript of internship from MAT program must be sent to the Office of Educator Licensure. The transcript must be submitted in a sealed envelope bearing the seal or signature of the registrar. The Office of Educator Licensure is also now accepting electronic transcripts through eScrip-Safe from those institutions that are members of eScrip and can send electronic transcripts. The electronic transcript must be sent directly from the institution to the Mississippi Department of Education.  
3. NOTE: If the applicant has also graduated from a Master’s degree program, an application to “upgrade” the license should be submitted online in ELMS. Choose “upgrade” from the applications button in the ELMS account. The official transcript submitted for an “upgrade” must show a conferred Master’s degree. |
| Program Fees | Colleges charge normal fees for 12 semester hours |