

GRADUATE SCHOOL

MASTER OF SCIENCE IN EDUCATION

MSEd - Childhood Education

State University of New York at New Paltz



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Overview

The Department of Elementary Education offers undergraduate and graduate programs of study that prepare students to teach and work with young persons in nursery through the sixth grade. Students who successfully complete these programs are granted provisional certification enabling them to teach in New York and many other states.

The primary objective of the Department of Elementary Education is to assist students in developing the knowledge, skills, and attitudes needed for successful elementary and middle school teaching. The education curriculum, moreover, offers a foundation for building an enriched life that also can be applied toward the development of a career in human services, industrial training, and public relations. Elementary education students at New Paltz have a two-fold advantage because they graduate with a liberal arts degree and a teaching certificate. The elementary education faculty keeps abreast of current research findings in the field, especially in the areas of teaching and learning. Active research is conducted in several areas, including mathematics education, reading, social studies education, multicultural education, inclusion education, and science education.



Application Requirements

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- One official copy of all undergraduate (four-year degree) and graduate course work, including a baccalaureate degree from an accredited institution.
- A non-refundable application fee of \$50.00 for domestic and international students
- An undergraduate cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher (4.0 scale).
- Three letters of recommendation on professional letterhead from professionals addressing your competency and aptitude for graduate studies. At least one letter should come from a professor with whom the candidate has taken undergraduate course work;
- A typed, 400-500 word application essay describing your educational aspirations, experiences in working with students in educational settings, and how the training in the master's program will help you achieve your personal and professional goals. The faculty will examine the writing sample with respect to content, clarity and organization of ideas, grammar, and style.
- Hold an initial childhood teaching certificate from New York State. A copy of this certificate must be submitted as part of the application process.

Deadlines and Dates

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For acceptance, applications to the MEd. program **must be received** on or before:

Fall Semester -- on or before April 1st

Spring Semester -- on or before November 15th

Tuitions and Fees

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Billing and payment is made on a semester basis. Students are billed when they register. Full-time student = 12 or more semester credit hours. Part-time student = 11 or less semester credit hours.

International students who hold F-1 visas are required to attend as full-time students (minimum of 12 credits). Fees and health insurance are not included in total tuition amount.

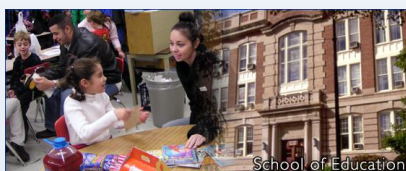
Effective Summer 2009, bills will only be available online through students' my.newpaltz.edu accounts. Paper invoices will no longer be mailed as part of an effort to reduce costs and be more environmentally conscious.

For more information on Tuitions and Fees follow this Link:

http://www.newpaltz.edu/student_accounts/



NEW PALTZ -- The State University of New York at New Paltz has been chosen as the “Hottest Small State School” in the nation by the 2008 Kaplan/Newsweek “How to Get into College” Guide.



Financial aid

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Financial aid is available to matriculated graduate students that are enrolled at least half time. Graduate students usually receive Stafford loans and potentially, NYS TAP.

To qualify for Financial Aid, students must:

1. File a FASFA and submit all requested documents.
2. Be matriculated in a graduate program.
3. Be registered for at least 6 credits during the summer, fall or spring semesters.

For more information on how to apply for Tap, Stafford loans, and Alternative Loans go to <http://www.newpaltz.edu/financialaid/index.html>

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Financial Aid for international graduate students is currently limited to Graduate Assistantships. These assistantships are administered by individual departments throughout the university and vary in size and availability. They are only available after a student has been accepted, is here on campus, and has registered for classes.

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Curriculum Requirements / 36 credits

Liberal Art & Science Core (9 credits)

This is a continuation of undergraduate content and aligned with the specialization track. Courses will be selected with advisement from the respective departments and from one of the following content areas

- Mathematics, Science, Technology
- Social Studies
- Languages other than English
- English/Language Arts

Students may also choose to substitute graduate electives in Liberal Arts and Sciences and/or Fine and Performing Arts (up to 6 credits) to continue their academic major.

Elementary Content Core (12-15 credits)

EED550 Advanced Child Development (3 cr.)

EDS581 Issues of Racism and Sexism in Education (3 cr.) OR

EDS537 Issues in Multicultural Education (3 cr.)

SED701 Inquiry into Teaching, Learning and School, Part I (3 cr.)

SED702 Inquiry into Teaching, Learning and School, Part II (3 cr.)

*SPE565 Teaching in Inclusive Classroom (3 cr.)

*Course required for students who have not had a previous course to prepare them to work with students with special needs.

Helpful Links:

[Bookstore](#)

[Financial Aid](#)

[Health Center](#)

[Library](#)

[Parking/ID](#)

[Student Accounts](#)

[Virtual Tour of Campus](#)

Open House:

TBD

Directions:

Pedagogical Core (12-15 credits)

The pedagogical core is developed from the student's choice of a specialization track (9 credits) in consultation with assigned advisor. Additional graduate education electives complete the credit requirements.

Graduate Advising

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The Office of Graduate Admission Advising provides program and admissions information to prospective graduate students in person, by phone, or via e-mail. Prospective students are able to meet on a walk-in basis or by appointment with an advisor who provides individualized program and application information. The office offers convenient evening and weekend hours.

Fall & Spring Semesters:

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 8:30am - 5:00pm,

Tuesday 10:00-6:30pm

1st and 3rd Saturdays of the Month 10:00am - 1:00pm (except holiday weekends)

Summer & Intersession:

Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 8:00am - 4:00pm,

Tuesday 10:00 - 6:00pm (8am-4pm in July)

1st and 3rd Saturdays of the Month 10:00am - 1:00pm
(except June, July & holiday weekends)

Office Location:

Graduate Advising/Regional Education

Map: http://www.newpaltz.edu/map/loc_regional.html

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When sending an e-mail, please include your first name, last name, the program you are interested in and your date of birth.