

Abraham S. Fischler School of Education

<http://www.fischlerschool.nova.edu/>

Master of Science in Education

Specialization: Elementary Education (Nevada Approved)

Initial Licensure (Certification) Plan

SAMPLE

Entrance Requirements

1. Complete the admission application packet and submit a \$50.00 non-refundable fee (U.S. dollars) made payable to Nova Southeastern University (NSU).
2. Official transcripts from **all** previously attended academic institutions. An official transcript indicating conferral of a bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited institution is required.
3. Evidence of a minimum **2.5** cumulative grade point average (CGPA) **or** test scores from the Graduate Record Exam (GRE) with a combined score of 1000 for the verbal and quantitative scales only. The GRE must have been taken within the past 5 years from the date of application.
4. Applicants who do not meet the minimum 2.5 GPA or GRE score requirement, may enroll in a maximum of six (6) credit hours and must earn a grade of B or higher in each course during the first term of enrollment for **conditional admission**. Students who do not earn a grade of B or higher in each course will be subject to dismissal from the program.
5. Passing CBEST **or** PRAXIS I scores.
6. **Nevada Student Enrollment Agreement** (available in application packet).

Coursework

Completed	Course Title	Credit
	Field Experience	
1	EDU 514 Pre-Internship Practices*	3
	Foundation Coursework	
2	EDU 5000 Orientation to the Graduate Teacher Education Program*	0
3	CUR 526 Educational Research for Practitioners*	3
4	EDU 601 Professional Seminar I*	0
5	EDU 501 School and Society (<i>Fall 2, Winter 2 and Summer 1</i>)	3
6	EDU 503 Classroom Management and Organization	3
7	ESE 600 Survey of Exceptionalities of Children and Youth* <i>Prerequisite/s: CUR 526</i>	3
	Specialization Area Coursework	
8	ELE 503 Reading in the Elementary Classroom (Fall I, Winter I, and Summer I terms ONLY)	3
9	ELE 504 Methods of Teaching Reading in the Elementary School*** (Fall II and Winter II terms ONLY) * <i>Prerequisite/s: ELE 503</i>	3
10	ELE 601 Teaching Language Arts in the Elementary School*** (Fall I, Winter I, and Summer I terms ONLY)	3
11	ELE 502 Methods of Teaching Mathematics in the Elementary School *** (Fall I, Winter I, and Summer I terms ONLY)	3
12	ELE 602 Teaching of Science in the Elementary School *** (Fall II, Winter II terms ONLY)	3
13	ELE 603 Teaching Elementary Social Studies in a Multicultural Society *** (Fall I, Winter I, Summer I terms ONLY) * <i>Prerequisite/s: ELE 502, ELE 503, ELE 504, ELE 505, ELE 506, ELE 601 & ELE 602.</i>	3
	Elective Coursework: Choose Two (6 credits) of the following three-credit courses:	
14	CSE 501 Computing Resources for Teachers	3
15	TSOL 510 Classroom TESOL, Theory and Strategies for Teachers	3
16	TSOL 520 Second Language Learning: Theory, Methods and Evaluation	3
17	CUR 591 Assessment and Evaluation	3
18	EDU 502 Psychological Foundations in Education* <i>Prerequisite/s: EDU 601 (Fall 1, Winter 1 and Summer 1)</i>	3
19	RED 560 Literature for Children and Adolescents	3
20	RED 570 Foundations of Reading: Theory and Practice	3
21	RED 575 Contemporary Foundations of Reading: Research Perspective	3
22	ELE 540 Creativity in the Elementary School(Winter II term ONLY)	3
	Capstone	
23	EDU 602 Professional Seminar II*	0
24	EDU 688 Teaching Internship Seminar*	9
	Total Credits Required for Degree	48

Benchmarks:

1. Complete CUR 526, EDU 514, EDU 5000, and EDU 601 within first term of program at NSU
2. Maintain a 3.0 cumulative GPA
3. Complete program capstone: Teaching Internship Seminar; <http://www.schoolofed.nova.edu/gtep/fldex/> - All coursework must be completed with a 3.0 cumulative GPA to be eligible for Teaching Internship Seminar (Internship application must be submitted 6 months in advance)
4. Earn a "Pass" in EDU 601 & 602-Professional Seminar I & II (Accomplished Practices)
5. Pass all Content Area Assessment Tests (80%) and Pass Comprehensive Exam in Elementary Education (80%)

_ Program Prerequisites: To check prerequisites, click on the individual course ID in the schedule; [fischlerschool.nova.edu/current-students/master_edspecialist-schedule](http://www.fischlerschool.nova.edu/current-students/master_edspecialist-schedule)

Exit Requirements

1. PRAXIS II – Minimum passing scores on the following areas:
 - a. Subject Assessment/Specialty Area Tests:
 - Elementary Education: Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment: 158 AND
 - Elementary Education: Content Area Exercises: 135
2. Degree Application <http://www.nova.edu/cwis/registrar/faq.html>

Important Student Notice

Students are strongly encouraged to visit the Abraham S. Fischler School of Education catalog for degree and program requirements; <http://www.fischlerschool.nova.edu/current-students/studentcataloghandbook>. The student has 6 years to complete degree from first session enrolled. **It is the student's responsibility to ensure that all licensure/certification requirements are met.** The program outline is provided to the student based on the current certification area requirements according to the Nevada Department of Education at the time of initial enrollment in the program.

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