

College of **Education**
University of South Carolina

Masters and Specialists Programs

Master of Education Programs

The College of Education offers seven Master of Education (M.Ed.) programs. If you are looking to advance your career as an educator in K-12 or in a higher education setting, one of these programs could be ideal for you. We offer M.Ed. degrees with majors in:

Educational Administration (online)

This online M.Ed. program is designed for certified educators interested in becoming school principals or other school administrators. This program focuses on the theoretical and practical aspects of the principalship and administration necessary to advance into leadership positions. Course work emphasizes leadership in instruction, supervision, legal, and financial aspects of school administration.

Educational Psychology and Research

This M.Ed. program is designed to build your research skills, including critical reading of research, use of statistical techniques, and the construction, selection and interpretation of cognitive tests.

Educational Technology (online)

This online M.Ed. program provides graduate level course work to develop capabilities essential to the analysis, design, development, implementation, and evaluation of effective technology-based learning. It prepares educators to be leaders in the meaningful integration of educational technology in teaching, learning, and performance environments. This program is a great opportunity for K-12 teachers, corporate trainers, and government and healthcare workers who will be developing instructional interventions with technology-enhanced learning.

Higher Education and Student Affairs (HESA)

This M.Ed. program is designed to prepare professionals for successful administrative careers in a variety of postsecondary education fields. The HESA program will prepare you to apply theory learned through challenging classroom studies to real life experiences. With an administrative emphasis, you will study theory, research, and best practices to prepare you to be a transformational leader in higher education fields including career advising, academic advising, Title IX enforcement, student conduct, student activities, Greek life, parent



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programs, international student services, student leadership and service, admissions, marketing, and institutional advancement among others.

Language and Literacy

This M.Ed. program prepares you to become a specialized literacy professional. Work toward a career as a reading/literacy specialist, literacy coach, or literacy coordinator. Within the program, you will learn the theories and methods for teaching reading and writing. You will learn how to assess individual readers and writers and develop curriculum to meet student needs by working with learners and other educators.

Special Education

This M.Ed. program is designed for licensed teachers seeking advanced course work and certification in special education. The program emphasizes preparing future special education teachers to understand the diverse characteristics and needs of individuals with disabilities and their families. You can choose one of the following areas of specialization: Emotional and Behavioral Disorders, Intellectual Disabilities, Learning Disabilities, Early Childhood Special Education, and Severe and Multiple Disabilities.

Teaching (online)

This online M.Ed. program is for practicing educators who wish to enhance their professional teaching practice or are seeking career advancement. The program includes participation in action research in which you will identify, research, and find solutions to issues in your classroom, school, or school district. You will select a specialization from multicultural contexts in education, literacy and reading, and project-based learning. The literacy and reading specialization meets course requirements for the SC Read to Succeed literacy endorsements. The project-based learning (PBL) specialization meets the course requirements for SC PBL add-on endorsement.

Education Specialist Programs

The College of Education offers two Education Specialist (Ed.S.) programs. This degree allows you to specialize in a specific area of education that leads to certification.

Educational Administration

This Ed.S. program prepares you to become a school district superintendent and satisfies the requirements for certification as a superintendent in South Carolina. Your studies will include creating a positive, inclusive culture within a school district, applying best practices to encourage student learning, advanced instructional supervision, educational policy analysis, and district planning. You will complete field work in the school district through two semesters of internship.

Counselor Education

This Ed.S. program allows you to select a concentration from School Counseling, Marriage, Couples & Family Counseling, and Clinical Mental Health Counseling.

The School Counseling concentration prepares you to work in K-12 educational settings as a counselor of diverse students and their families. The coursework is designed to provide you with the knowledge and skills to collaborate with parents, teachers, school administrators, and other mental health professionals to promote holistic well-being and academic success among all students.

In the Marriage, Couples & Family concentration, you will receive specialized instruction and clinical experience in responding to the therapeutic needs of individuals, couples, parents and families. Our graduates are trained to attend to client issues from a systemic perspective, in order to seek out and identify family and social resources to support healthy family, relational and individual functioning.

The Clinical Mental Health concentration will provide you with the knowledge and skills to conduct individual and group counseling, implement various clinical treatment modalities, and prepare students to utilize evidence-based practices. Graduates of the Clinical Mental Health track work in a wide range of professional positions such as community mental health provider, private practitioner, college-based counselor, and school-based mental health provider.

Application Information

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