MASTER OF ARTS IN TEACHING PROGRAM

WICHITA STATE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Whether you're a recent college graduate or a working professional, Wichita State's Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT) program will help you gain the knowledge and practical skills vital to becoming a well-prepared, licensed teacher at the middle or high school level—in only two to three years of part time study combined with classroom experience.

There are two tracks available to complete your teaching license. These 36-credit-hour programs are offered for students who already hold a bachelor's degree in the subject they want to teach and who are seeking their initial teaching license.

If this sounds like you, Wichita State offers two pathways to help you reach your teaching goals:

PATHWAY 1

| MIDDLE LEVEL SECONDARY RESIDENCY PROGRAM (MLS/MAT) |

The MLS/MAT program is a partnership between WSU and Wichita-area school districts, which combines coursework and experience-based learning in a classroom setting. During this **two-year** residency, participants obtain positions as para-educators, or WSU Work Study para-educator interns, and work under the supervision of veteran teachers, while completing requirements for licensure and a MAT degree.

To be eligible for the MLS program, students must:

- Complete at least a BA/BS degree from an accredited institution prior to entry in the subject(s) they will teach
- Be admitted to the WSU Graduate School
- Receive passing scores on the Pre-Professional Skills Test (PPST) and the Praxis II content area exam
- Secure a position as a para-educator in a partnering school district
- Complete summer prerequisite education coursework





PATHWAY 2

| TRANSITION TO TEACHING (T2T) |

The T2T program at WSU is a two-year alternative licensure program that combines graduate coursework and full-time, paid teaching in a local school as the classroom teacher of record. The program is geared toward working professionals looking for a career change and more recent graduates wanting to teach. Teaching candidates complete their licensure requirements in the first 29 hours hours (two years). Those who wish to earn the MAT degree must complete an additional seven hours of research in the third year.

To be eligible for the T2T program, students must:

- Complete at least a BA/BS degree from an accredited higher education institution, two years or more prior to program entry, in the subject(s) they will teach
- · Provide evidence of work experience in a field corresponding with the subject(s) they will teach
- Be admitted to the WSU Graduate School
- Receive passing scores on the Pre-Professional Skills Test (PPST) and the Praxis II content area exam
- Secure a teaching contract in an accredited Kansas school district
- Complete summer prerequisite education coursework

| SUBJECTS FOR LICENSURE |

Math (5-8 or 6-12) Biology (6-12) Chemistry (6-12) Physics (6-12) Earth/Space (6-12) Science (5-8)

English (5-8 or 6-12)

History/Government (6-12) Speech/Theatre (6-12) Physical Ed. (PreK-12)

Art (PreK-12) French (PreK-12)

Spanish (PreK-12) Music (PreK-12)

For more information about the benefits of initial licensure through the Master of Arts in Teaching program at Wichita State, program specifics, additional requirements and how to apply, visit wichita.edu/mat or call (316) 978-6580.

