

# CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION IN ACCOMPLISHED TEACHING (MED)

## Program Overview

The M.Ed. in Accomplished Teaching is an online degree offered cooperatively by Columbus State University, Georgia Southern University, and Valdosta State University, all fully accredited institutions in the University System of Georgia. The 36-hour program is based on the Curriculum and Instruction standards developed by the Georgia Professional Standards Commission. The standards include Knowledge of Curriculum, Instruction, Content, Students, Research, Assessment, and Professionalism. This innovative degree program provides advanced professional and pedagogical studies that develop expertise in the knowledge and skills of accomplished teachers. The degree emphasizes application of acquired knowledge and skills in the teacher's classroom and school.

This program is approved by the Georgia Professional Standards Commission as a program leading to certification in Curriculum and Instruction.

Additional program information can be found on the CSU Department of Teacher Education, Leadership, and Counseling (<https://tlc.columbusstate.edu/accomplishedteaching.php>) website.

## Career Opportunities

Upon successful completion of the M.Ed. program, the candidate may apply for teacher certification at the advanced professional level.

## Program of Study

Code	Title	Credit Hours
<b>Professional Education Core</b>		
EDAT 6159	Multicultural Studies across the Curriculum	3
EDAT 7100	Research Methodology in Education	3
EDAT 7133	Trends, Issues, Research in Education	3
Professional Education Core Total		9
<b>Curriculum and Instruction Core</b>		
EDAT 6000	Professional Decision Making	3
EDAT 6001	Using Assessment to Improve Teaching and Learning	3
EDAT 6115	Knowledge of Students and Their Learning	3
EDAT 6226	Curriculum Design for Student Achievement	3
EDAT 7131	Enhancing Student Performance	3
EDAT 7132	Framework for Teaching	3
Curriculum and Instruction Core Total		18
<b>Concentration</b>		
Select 9 credits of Approved Electives		9
Concentration Total		9
<b>Culminating Project</b>		
EDAT 6010	Capstone Portfolio	0

Culminating Project Total	0
<b>Total Credit Hours</b>	<b>36</b>

*Courses in the concentration are approved by the degree-offering institution and might include content courses (face-to-face or online) or other courses that might support a variety of fields of study (for example, instructional technology, special education, or reading). These courses may be used to further strengthen preparation in the teacher's area of certification.*

*Students may transfer in 9 hours (if approved).*

## Admission Requirements

- Minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.75 on all undergraduate work at an accredited United States institution in fulfillment of the requirements for a baccalaureate degree.
- Applicants must hold one of the following:
  - A current induction certificate that meets pathway 1,2, or 3 in any field in the State of Georgia
  - A current professional teaching certificate in any field in the State of Georgia

## Additional Program Requirements

- Students must earn a 3.0 GPA calculated on all graduate work attempted. "Academic Forgiveness" policy does not apply to graduate studies
- Students cannot graduate with a grade of "C" or below in more than two (2) graduate courses
- A minimum of 27 hours of the hours required for the degree must be earned in residence (75%). Asynchronous (online) and distance learning courses administered through Columbus State University constitute courses taken in residence
- A maximum of nine (9) semester hours of transfer credit or courses taken at CSU prior to full admission to a masters degree program may be applied toward the degree. Courses with earned grades of "C" or below cannot be transferred. The student's advisor and the coordinator of the program in which the student is enrolled must approve any courses transferred
- All degree requirements must be completed within seven (7) years of first enrollment