



COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

Teaching, Learning, and Technology Program

MASTER OF EDUCATION (M.ED.) IN ELEMENTARY EDUCATION AND PREK-4 PENNSYLVANIA TEACHER CERTIFICATION

M.Ed. and PA Instructional Level I Certification in Grades PreK-4 (42 credits)

This 42-credit (minimum) program prepares students for Pennsylvania Level I certification as PreK-4 teachers and leads to the awarding of a master's degree in Elementary Education. Thirty (30) credits minimum is required for the master's degree. Dual certification in PreK-4 and Special Education PreK-8 is an option for 12 additional credits (54 credit hours).

Program of Study for Grades PreK-4 Certification Only (42 credits)

Core Course Work (21 credits)

SPED 332	Education and Inclusion of Individuals with Special Needs	3
TLT 380	Child Development and Cognition	3
TLT 404	Diversity, Families, and School Collaborations in K-12	3
TLT 405	Principles and Applications of K-12 Assessment	3
TLT 407	Instructional Design for K-12 Classrooms	3
TLT 409	K-12 Classroom Environment and Management	3
TLT 411	Early Childhood Education	3

Development of Professional Skills (18 credits)

TLT 412	Social Studies in PreK through 4 th Grade	3
TLT 420	Reading and Literacy in PreK through 4 th Grade	3
TLT 422	Language Arts in PreK through 4 th Grade	3
TLT 426	Science in PreK through 4 th Grade	3
TLT 428	Mathematics and Numeracy in PreK through 4 th Grade	3
SPED 465	Advanced Inclusionary Practices in K-12	3

Extended Field Experience (3 credits)

TLT 444	General Education Student Teaching and Seminar	3
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Additional coursework to add dual certification in Special Education PreK-8 (12 credits)

SPED 418	Alternative Curricular Approaches	3
SPED 419	Academic Interventions: PreK-8	3
SPED 432	Positive Behavior Support	3
SPED 452	Assessment in Special Education	3

Extended Field Experience (3 credits)

Dual certification in PreK-4 and Special Education PreK-8 will require the following to replace TLT 444 above:

TLT 442	General Education and Special Education Student Teaching and Seminar	3
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Pennsylvania Department of Education Requirements for Teacher Certification

It is important for individuals considering teaching as a career to be aware of the fairly rigorous academic, health, and personal character requirements for teacher certification that are required by the Pennsylvania Department of Education (PDE) for teacher candidates statewide:

- An overall GPA of at least 3.0 (both graduate and undergraduate)
- Clearances. See [Office of Teacher Certification \(OTC\)](http://coe.lehigh.edu/otc/overview) <http://coe.lehigh.edu/otc/overview>
- Refer to the Pennsylvania Department of Education for information on [Pennsylvania Certification](#)

To learn more about the program

Visit [Elementary Education](#)

<http://coe.lehigh.edu/academics/degrees/medeecert>

Contact the TLT Program Director

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Admission Requirements & Deadlines

See: [Apply for Admission](#)

<http://coe.lehigh.edu/admissions/apply>

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