KENNESAW STATE UNIVERSITY
BAGWELL COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

DEGREEUP

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MASTER OF ARTS (MAT)

- Elementary Education (P-5)
- Pedagogy Only (P-12)
- Secondary English, Mathematics
- Secondary Biology, Chemistry, Physics
- Special Education (General Curriculum)
- Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL)

MASTER OF EDUCATION (M.Ed.)

- Educational Leadership: Higher Education and Student Affairs
- Elementary & Early Childhood Education
- Instructional Technology (Certification Track)
- Instructional Technology (Advanced Track)
- Literacy Education
- Secondary & Middle Grades Education*
- Special Education (General Curriculum)
- Teacher Leadership & Educational Leaders
- Teaching English To Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL)

EDUCATION SPECIALIST (Ed.S.)

- Curriculum and Instruction
- Educational Leadership Tier II
- Instructional Technology (Certification Track)
- Instructional Technology (Advanced Track)
- Secondary & Middle Grades Education*
- Special Education (General Curriculum)
- Special Education - Tier I

DOCTOR OF EDUCATION (Ed.D.)

- Educational Leadership
- Instructional Technology (Certification Track)
- Instructional Technology (Advanced Track)
- Secondary & Middle Grades Education*
- Teacher Leadership

* Multiple disciplines are offered in these degree categories.

ENDORSEMENTS & CERTIFICATES

- Autism Education
- Coaching
- Computer Science
- ESOL
- Dyslexia
- Gifted
- Higher Education Administration
- Online Teaching
- Personalized Learning
- Reading
- STEM Education
- Teaching English in Global/Local Contexts
- Urban Education

GaPSC CERTIFICATION-ONLY

- Curriculum & Instruction
- Educational Leadership Tier I and Tier II
- Teacher Leadership

GRADUATE PROGRAMS

Leverage your educational opportunities with a graduate degree from the Bagwell College of Education. Most of our graduate programs are fully online and designed for busy teachers and leaders. To learn how we can help you develop your potential and achieve your professional goals, please visit our graduate programs website or send us an email.

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BECOME A TEACHER WITH KSU'S MASTER OF ARTS IN TEACHING (MAT)

A flexible, certification-focused graduate program for career changers ready to lead in Georgia classrooms.



WHAT IS A MAT?

The Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT) is a graduate degree that prepares individuals with a non-education undergraduate background to become certified teachers. What to expect:

- 30–39 credit hours; completion in 4–6 semesters, including summer
- A yearlong clinical experience (two semesters) in Georgia classrooms
- Leads to Georgia Professional Standards Commission (GaPSC) teacher certification, GACE (Georgia Assessments for the Certification of Educators) required
- Qualifies for T5 certification (Master's-level pay in Georgia public schools)
- Ideal for:
  - Career changers with a bachelor's degree in any field
  - Teachers on a provisional license seeking full certification
  - Paraprofessionals who already hold a bachelor's degree
  - Individuals with a bachelor's degree who are passionate about making a difference in education

WHY CHOOSE KSU'S MAT PROGRAM?

- Flexible online format with in-person field placements
- NEW Pedagogy-Only option for professionals in a wide range of content areas, including Computer Science
- Taught by student-focused faculty
- Tech-integrated, multicultural curriculum
- Supportive cohort model
- Affordable tuition with a strong return on investment

PROGRAM OPTIONS

All programs are offered fully online, with the exception of Secondary English.

- Elementary Education (P–5)
- Pedagogy-Only: Certification grade levels vary by content area
- Secondary English (6–12) (Hybrid, 50% online)
- Secondary Mathematics (6–12)
- Secondary Sciences (6–12): Biology, Chemistry, or Physics
- Special Education (P–12)
- TESOL (P–12): Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages

Note: Applicants to MAT programs in Secondary English, Mathematics, and Science must hold a closely related bachelor's degree in the content area.

READY TO TAKE THE NEXT STEP?

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MASTER OF ARTS IN TEACHING DEGREE IN PEDAGOGY ONLY



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:

We prepare aspiring educators who have bachelor's degrees in subjects other than education for initial teacher certification across a range of 27 subject areas. This program is geared toward individuals who have content knowledge in the field of certification being sought. This fully online program includes 30 credit hours of coursework focused on building the essential pedagogical skills needed to become an effective and impactful teacher.

Course work emphasizes scholarly rigor through research-based practices and engagement in a variety of field-based projects as well as supervised clinical experiences. Technology and multicultural considerations are infused throughout the programs. This master's degree leads to initial certification and is not appropriate for teachers who already hold clear, renewable certificates. Take the next step in your teaching career with the MAT in Pedagogy-Only and make a difference in the lives of students in Georgia.

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PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- **100% Online | 10 Courses | 30 Credit Hours**
- **Enrolls:** Summer, Fall
  Deadlines: May 1, July 1

There are currently 27 certification fields including:

- Business
- Computer Science
- Economics
- Engineering and Technology
- ESOL (English to Speakers Of Other Languages)
- Family/Consumer Science
- Foreign Language (Chinese, French, German, Japanese, Korean, Latin or Spanish)
- Graphic Communications and Design
- Health and Physical Education
- Healthcare Science
- History
- Marketing
- Mathematics
- Middle Grades (Language Arts, Math, Science, or Social Science)
- Science (Broad Field, Biology, Chemistry, or Physics)
- Tuition/Fees Cost: Approximately $13,500
  Actual cost may vary based on course load, # of semesters, and other factors. Tuition and fees are subject to change without notice.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Online Graduate Application - $60 non-refundable application fee
- Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university
- Official Transcripts from every college and university attended
- Minimum 2.75 GPA from degree-granting institution
- Completion of the Georgia Educator Ethics Test for Teachers (Test Code 351)
- Professional resume
- Evidence of expertise in the content of the field of certification sought
- GaPSC Application for Pre-Service Certification – After acceptance to KSU but prior to enrolling in courses



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LEAD THE FUTURE OF LEARNING

100% ONLINE

TRANSFORM YOUR TEACHING. EXPAND YOUR CAREER.

M.Ed. | Ed.S. | Ed.D. in Instructional Technology
Designed for educators ready to lead, innovate, and thrive in an AI-driven world.

WHY CHOOSE THIS FIELD?

- **Earn a Pay Raise (GA)**
  GaPSC Level 5 + P-12 Instructional Technology Certification (no tech role required)
- **National Certification Advantage***
  ISTE/ASCD EdTech Leader pathway (portfolio embedded)
- **100% Online & Flexible**
  Built for working educators | Finish in 5 semesters
- **AI-Infused Learning**
  Apply emerging tech in real classrooms
- **Lead Real Change**
  Drive innovation and support educators in your school or district

Exclusive Opportunity: One of Only Four Universities Approved to Offer the National ISTE/ASCD Edtech Leader Certification Option.

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MASTER'S DEGREE IN LITERACY EDUCATION



PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:

The Master of Education (M.Ed.) in Literacy Education is designed to prepare certified teachers to serve as leaders in literacy education. This program is fully approved by the GaPSC and is 100% online. The program provides candidates with knowledge and tools to advance literacy instruction for PreK-12 students. After successful completion of this degree and earning a passing score on the GACE Literacy Specialist Assessment, candidates will be prepared to serve as literacy specialists in grades PreK-12 and provide instructional support for teaching reading/literacy to classroom teachers and paraprofessionals. Teachers who complete this program will also be eligible for the Dyslexia Endorsement/Certificate.

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PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

100% Online | 10 Courses | 30 Credit Hours

- Flexible Completion Timeline – Finish in 4 or 5 semesters
- **Embedded Dyslexia Endorsement/Certificate**
- Approved by the GaPSC
- Curriculum aligns with **International Literacy Association (ILA)** and **International Dyslexia Association (IDA)** standards
- Qualifies candidates for a **Level 5 Georgia certificate** upgrade
- Candidates seeking to add the Literacy Specialist field to their certificate must pass the Literacy Specialist GACE content assessment (not required for degree conferral).
- **Cost:** Approximately **$13,500**

Actual cost may vary based on course load, # of semesters, and other factors. Tuition and fees are subject to change without notice.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

In addition to the general KSU Graduate Admissions requirements, applicants must meet the following program-specific criteria:

- Minimum of three years of teaching experience
- Valid Georgia teaching certificate at Level 4 or higher (Induction, Professional, Advanced Professional, Lead Professional, Leadership, Service Field, or Life certificate)
- Evidence of proficiency in literacy instruction as defined by GaPSC Rule 505-3-.03: Foundations of Reading, Literacy, and Language
- Resume or curriculum vitae (CV)

PARAPROFESSIONALS

Become a Certified Teacher **100% Online**

Bachelor's Degree (BS) or Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT)

Paraprofessionals are one of the greatest sources of future teachers. KSU offers flexible, fully online pathways that allow paraprofessionals to earn teacher certification while continuing to work in schools — creating opportunities for career advancement while helping districts strengthen and grow their teacher pipeline.



1. CLEAR PATHWAYS FOR ALL PARAPROFESSIONALS

KSU offers two pathways so paraprofessionals at different stages of their education can begin their journey towards teacher certification:

- **Bachelor's Degree (BS):**
  For paraprofessionals who are completing or have completed an associate degree or have some college coursework
  - Elementary (P-5)
  - Early Childhood (B-K)
- **Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT):**
  For paraprofessionals who already hold a bachelor's degree
  - Elementary (P-5)
  - Secondary English, Math, Science (6-12)
  - Special Education (P-12)
  - Pedagogy Only (Health/PE, Business, Comp Sci, Engineering, Languages and more)
  - Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL)

2. FLEXIBLE OPTIONS TO MEET GAPSC FIELD AND CLINICAL REQUIREMENTS

Parapros can meet these requirements through flexible, school-based options such as:

- Completing field experiences in the classroom where parapros are assigned - when the grade band aligns - helps maintain consistency for principals and students
- Working with a different grade band during planning periods
- Completing observation or practice hours during "specials"
- Switching temporarily with another paraprofessional
- Participating in short, scheduled rotations within the same building

These options keep paraprofessionals working in their current roles while ensuring full compliance with GaPSC requirements — a major advantage for both districts and paraprofessionals. Check with your school/district for approved options.

3. DESIGNED FOR WORKING PARAPROFESSIONALS

KSU programs are built around the realities of school schedules, offering:

- 100% Online coursework
- Year-round course progression
- Dedicated advising from entry through certification

This structure ensures that paraprofessionals can grow professionally **without stepping away from their roles.**

4. SUPPORT EVERY STEP OF THE WAY

KSU minimizes administrative burden through:

- Collaboration with schools and districts to support paraprofessionals
- Clear communication about field placement expectations
- Aligning programs with school district needs

5. SCHOOL DISTRICT BENEFITS

Paraprofessionals already know your students, curriculum, and community. Supporting their advancement:

- Boosts retention
- Grows internal talent pipelines
- Increases long-term staffing stability

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