

# San Diego State University

## Master's Degree Programs within the School of Teacher Education

**NEW! Campus-Based Master of Arts in Teaching** is designed for K-12 teachers who wish to improve their instructional effectiveness. The program accepts 9 semester units of post-baccalaureate teacher credential coursework and includes 24 units of additional course work. All students will take 4 core courses designed to build knowledge and skills in effective instructional practices, assessment strategies and action research techniques. The remaining 4 courses will be in an area of concentration selected by each student. The concentrations are: Elementary Education, Secondary Education, K-12 Reading/Language Arts Concentration with California Certificate, K-8 Math Education, K-12 Science Education, K-12 Language Arts Education (summers only) [*Math and Science concentrations are not currently running, due to low interest*]. Students may enroll in the MAT program in the fall, spring or summer. Classes are offered on weekdays in the late afternoons. For more information, see <http://edweb.sdsu.edu/STE/mat.htm> or email [stegrada@mail.sdsu.edu](mailto:stegrada@mail.sdsu.edu)

**Campus-Based Master of Arts in Education, in Elementary or Secondary Curriculum & Instruction** This program is designed to promote and support learning and development through scholarly reading, study, and exchange of ideas. Time invested in graduate study will involve work at the classroom, school, and district levels; the expectation is that students who graduate from these programs will become experts and leaders in their schools and districts and in other learning environments. All classes are held at SDSU. This program is 30 units long and does NOT allow credit for credential work completed (see MAT). Applications are accepted for Fall and Spring semesters. Visit <http://edweb.sdsu.edu/STE/mastersprospective.htm> to download a departmental application.

**Campus-Based Master of Arts in Education, Curriculum & Instruction with Concentrations in Elementary or Secondary Curriculum with an Emphasis in Urban Education.** A new program has been designed to focus on Urban Education for Elementary and Secondary Education Master of Arts majors. This program is for the working professional and centers on issues of educational equity and culturally relevant instruction. For example, since it is critical that all students have access to technology, this program of study focusing on Urban Education will include an innovative, graduate course that presents technological strategies that can be integrated into the urban classroom. All classes will be held on campus. Opportunities to work with educators from the Center for Urban School Transformation will also be available in this new program. For information, see [http://edweb.sdsu.edu/STE/masters\\_urban\\_schools.htm](http://edweb.sdsu.edu/STE/masters_urban_schools.htm) or contact Dr. Valerie Pang at [stegrada@mail.sdsu.edu](mailto:stegrada@mail.sdsu.edu) (This cohort may start again in Fall 2010)

**Master of Arts in Education with a Concentration in Reading Education** is designed for those who wish to deepen their theoretical and practical understandings about the teaching of reading and the language arts. Topics of study include reading and writing across the content areas, children's literature, assessment and instruction of reading and writing, conducting/evaluating research, and leadership/coaching skills. Candidates may pursue the K-12 Reading and Language Arts Specialist Credential alone or simultaneously with the Master's Degree. Graduates are prepared to work as Reading Specialists in K-12 schools, private clinics, or community colleges and may also assume building level responsibilities. See <http://edweb.sdsu.edu/STE/mastersreadinginfo.htm> for more information or contact Dr Sharan Gibson ([sgibson@mail.sdsu.edu](mailto:sgibson@mail.sdsu.edu)).

**Master of Arts in K-8 Mathematics Education.** The Mathematics Education faculty seeks K-8 teachers who are interested in exploring how to teach and learn mathematics more effectively. Applicants need to have an interest in furthering their knowledge of the mathematical ideas in the K-8 curriculum, how children think about mathematics, how math instruction can empower all children rather than an elite few, and how research can improve instruction. See <http://coe.sdsu.edu/departments/MathEd/master.htm> for more information, or contact Dr. Lisa Clement ( [Lclement@mail.sdsu.edu](mailto:Lclement@mail.sdsu.edu) ) or Dr. Vicki Jacobs ( [Vjacobs@mail.sdsu.edu](mailto:Vjacobs@mail.sdsu.edu) ). (This program will start a new cohort in Fall 2010)

**Summer Masters of Arts in Teaching, Language Arts Concentration (summer only):** is a 3 summer degree program in which students attend a conference on campus each summer. The speakers at the conference are international experts in literacy who discuss state-of-the art instructional strategies in literacy. Each summer candidates take 2 or 3 other courses in literacy theory, research and practice that result in effective instruction. Starting Summer 2009 this program will be part of our MAT program and accept up to 9 units of post-bac credential units from recent (within past 4 years at time of application) credential work. For more information, contact Dr. Diane Lapp ( [lapp@mail.sdsu.edu](mailto:lapp@mail.sdsu.edu) ) or Dr Doug Fisher ( [dfisher@mail.sdsu.edu](mailto:dfisher@mail.sdsu.edu) ) or see Summer MAT Program within [http://edweb.sdsu.edu/STE/masters\\_summer.htm](http://edweb.sdsu.edu/STE/masters_summer.htm)

### **Not currently offered:**

**Chula Vista/East County Master of Arts Degree in Elementary Curriculum & Instruction with a Focus on Learning & Assessment** is a site-based program with a focus on student learning. Teachers will work with best practices of assessment and instruction for the explicit purpose of having direct impact on student achievement. An added feature of this program is that courses will be designed as a blend of face-to-face and virtual, online instruction. Participants will be required to have access to basic technology. While a site for the face-to-face meetings has not yet been arranged, the intent is to meet at a school site that will be convenient to teachers in Chula Vista and Cajon Valley. Teachers from other East County districts, such as Lemon Grove and La Mesa, are welcome to apply. For information, see [http://edweb.sdsu.edu/ste/ec\\_cv\\_masters.htm](http://edweb.sdsu.edu/ste/ec_cv_masters.htm) or contact Dr. Carla Mathison ( [cmathiso@mail.sdsu.edu](mailto:cmathiso@mail.sdsu.edu) ).

**City Heights Master of Arts in Education, Curriculum & Instruction.** Reserved for teachers who teach at Rosa Parks Elementary, Monroe Clark Middle, and Hoover High School, this program focuses on improving student achievement in urban schools. For information contact the School of Teacher Education at 619.594.1366.

**Grossmont Master of Arts in Curriculum & Instruction in Secondary Curriculum and Instruction With Special Attention to Inquiry into Teaching and Learning (next start date Fall 2008)** is focused upon inquiry as a way to bridge theory and practice. Our own teaching practice and the current research regarding the context and content of education are examined. We also collaborate with colleagues as they seek to find answers to the problems and dilemmas inherent in the teaching and learning process. For information, contact Dr. Christianna Alger ( [calger@mail.sdsu.edu](mailto:calger@mail.sdsu.edu) ).

**La Mesa/Spring Valley Master of Arts in Curriculum & Instruction in Secondary Curriculum and Instruction with Special Attention to Learning & Instruction in Middle School.** This program offers a blend of theory, practice, support, and growth to middle-school teachers in all stages of their development. We will explore our own teaching practice and the current research regarding the context and content of education. We will also collaborate with colleagues as they seek to find answers to the problems and dilemmas inherent in the teaching and learning process. For information, contact Dr. Alexander Chizhik ( [achizhik@mail.sdsu.edu](mailto:achizhik@mail.sdsu.edu) ) or Dr. Christianna Alger ( [calger@mail.sdsu.edu](mailto:calger@mail.sdsu.edu) ).