

Extension Education

Master of Extension Education (M.Ext.Ed.)



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Overview

Extension agents are a vital link between the communities they serve and the resources offered by land-grant universities. This master's degree prepares you with skills and knowledge to develop impactful programs and deliver educational resources in your role as community educator. You will learn to:

- Analyze the principles that guide extension work.
- Develop programs and community outreach initiatives.
- Customize instructional methods for various audiences.
- Develop evaluation strategies for programming.
- Gather, analyze, and communicate community-based research to various populations.

With an interdisciplinary curriculum tailored to suit your specific career goals, this program helps you gain skills to improve the quality of lives and livelihoods of individuals and communities — whether you work within the field of extension education or in other professions requiring community education and public contact.

Requirements

The Master of Extension Education is a 36-credit program that requires:

- 18 credits of core coursework
- 9 credits of AGED, EDAE, HDFS, JTC or SOWK at the 500 level or above
- 9 credits of disciplinary coursework at the 500 level or above. Disciplines must be approved by an academic advisor, and may include areas such as youth development, horticulture, agriculture, animal science, and others.
- An extension education internship in a county or state extension office or other advisor-approved setting. An internship requires 45 hours of work per credit.

There is no thesis required for completion of this degree. You will work with your graduate advisor to choose your coursework. Additionally:

- 24 credits must be earned at Colorado State University, 21 of which must be earned after formal admission.
- 16 credits of graduate-level electives are chosen with your graduate advisor.
- No independent study, research, supervised college teaching, or practicum credits may apply toward the degree.

Contact

(970) 492-4898

online.colostate.edu/contact

Delivery

Online

Credits

36 credits

Tuition

\$624 per credit

- Includes [Student Services](#)
- [Fees](#) assessed separately
- [Financial aid](#) is available; eligibility determined on an individual basis

Time frame

Can be completed in 2 years or less

More info

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How to Apply

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Application Deadline

Fall semester: **August 1**

Spring semester: **December 1**

1 Review Admission Requirements

- Bachelor's degree from a regionally-accredited institution
- Cumulative GPA of 3.0 on all undergraduate coursework

2 Prepare Application Materials

- **Three letters of recommendation**
- **Resume or vita**
- **Statement of purpose**

Briefly describe your background, your educational goals and leadership potential, your research interests and experience, why you are a good fit in the program, and motivation for pursuing graduate work in extension education.

3 Complete Online Application

Complete the [online graduate application](#) and pay the nonrefundable application processing fee (payable online). As soon as you have completed the required information, please submit your application. You do not need to wait for recommendations or transcripts to move your application forward.

- Select "Extension Education (M.Ext.Ed.) – Distance" when choosing the program of study.

4 Request Transcripts

Request one official transcript of all collegiate work completed from every institution attended, whether or not you received a degree from those institutions. Transcripts from Colorado State University are not required. Official transcripts can either be mailed in or sent as e-transcripts.

Send e-transcripts to: gradadmissions@colostate.edu

Send paper copies to:

Graduate Admissions

Colorado State University – Office of Admissions

1062 Campus Delivery

Fort Collins, CO 80523-1062

Check Your Application Status

View your [application status](#) at any time to ensure your application checklist is complete or to check on updates. Once your complete application, including supporting materials, is received, the department admission committee will review your application and promptly notify you of their decision.

International Students

See [website](#) for test score and transcript requirements.