Earn your Colorado teacher licensure

Prepare for a career as a teacher with our master's degree in teaching and teacher licensure in Colorado program. Through your coursework, you will:

- Obtain strong pedagogical skills
- Develop a deeper understanding of effective theories of learning
- Work in local school districts to gain experience in real schools with real students

Learn and collaborate in a community of fellow educators

To help support your growth, you will move through the Master of Education program with the same group of students. This cohort-model provides you with a network of professionals who are working through the same course materials and teaching internships. CSU recognizes the importance of having a cohesive support structure as you enter your career.

Gain teaching skills and credentials in just one year

In order to complete the program within a year, you will need to start the program during the summer semester. It also requires that prerequisite coursework is completed before starting.

As a student in the program, you will also have the opportunity to specialize in one of two areas of endorsement:

- **Early childhood education (through age 8)**
  Prepare for a career as an early childhood or elementary educator with this teacher licensure and master's degree program. Early childhood education is a field encompassing a broad age range of the lifespan, from birth to age 8 (up to grade 3). An early childhood education degree can be used in a variety of settings including public and private schools, childcare centers, and home-based programs. It also encompasses many roles beyond the traditional role of "teacher."
  
  Although this program gives you the credentials to teach children through early elementary school, its coursework prepares you to teach up to grade 6. To gain the credentials to teach through grade 6, you may choose to add an additional Elementary Education endorsement to your teaching license through the passing of one additional content exam.

- **Secondary education**
  Our master's in education sciences program strives to meet the growing needs of public and private schools for highly-qualified secondary teachers, including those in high-demand areas such as science, technology, engineering, and math, as well as social studies and English.

Delivery

Classroom
Northern Colorado

Credits
41 credits

Tuition
$645 per credit
- Includes [Student Services](#)
- [Fees](#) assessed separately
- [Financial aid](#) is available; eligibility determined on an individual basis

Time frame

Can be completed in 1 year, beginning in summer only. Additional prerequisite coursework in your content area may be required and must be completed prior to starting the summer cohort.

Completion requirements

- 41 graduate-level credits for the teacher licensure and master's degree
- An internship in student teaching

More info

[online.colostate.edu/degrees/education-sciences-teacher](online.colostate.edu/degrees/education-sciences-teacher)

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Education Sciences
Teacher Licensure and Master of Education (M.Ed.) in Education and Human Resource Studies – Education Sciences Specialization

Application Deadline
Summer Semester: **April 25**

1 **Review Admission Requirements**
   - Bachelor’s degree from a regionally accredited institution
   - Completion of all content prerequisite coursework required for licensure in one of the following areas:
     - Early Childhood Education ages (0-8)
     - K-12 Licensure: Art, Foreign Languages, Instructional Technology
   - Contact [Juliana Searle](mailto:Juliana.searle@colostate.edu) to review your unofficial transcripts and determine if additional coursework is required. View the [curriculum check sheets](#) for the content areas listed above to review required prerequisite coursework for the program.
   - Minimum 3.00 GPA. Applicants whose GPA is lower than 3.00 must demonstrate their potential for academic success by providing additional evidence such as: additional recommendation letters showing strong potential for graduate studies; completion of six credits of graduate level coursework; or GRE scores.

2 **Prepare Application Materials**
   - Prepare the materials below and upload when you apply online.
   - **Three letters of recommendation**
     References should speak to your current or potential abilities as a teacher, plus your potential success in graduate studies.
   - **Statement of purpose**
     The Statement of Purpose is a summary of long-term professional or personal goals and is required for all applicants. Your statement should be written in 12-point font, double-spaced, and include the following:
     - Your purpose for pursuing graduate education and how it will contribute to your long-term goals and career plans
     - Why you have selected Colorado State University and the School of Education as the place to pursue your graduate studies
     - A description of teaching, research/creative, or other academic work you have engaged in relevant to the qualifications
   - **Resume or vita**
   - **Supplemental documents**
     When you begin your application, you will be asked to complete additional forms related to your teaching experience. The application process will provide these documents and allow you to upload your responses. You will also need to meet with an advisor to receive the Coursework Contract and the Curriculum Check Sheet. You will then scan and upload these forms to your application. In addition, please download these document to include with your application:
     - [Judicial Proceedings Form](#)
     - [Twenty-Hour Form](#), verifying experience working with children/youth.

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How to Apply (Continued)

- **Follow-up forms**
  The following forms will be due upon acceptance into the Education Sciences-Teacher Licensure specialization. Once admitted, you will receive directions on how to submit these materials.
  » Background Check
  » Admission Agreement
  » [Lawful Presence Form](#)
  » A passing score on the PLACE or Praxis II exam

- **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. Your application will not be reviewed until it is complete and all required materials have been received.
  - Select “Education and Human Resource Studies / Education Sciences (M.Ed.) - Distance” when choosing the program of study.
  » Then select “Teacher Licensure” program option

- **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](mailto: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. Applications are reviewed on a rolling basis. Application reviews will begin after February 1. Admit decisions will be made approximately 3-6 weeks after application completion.

- **International Students**
  See [website](#) for test score and transcript requirements.