Overview
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
This intensive program allows you to complete your Master of Education and Colorado teacher licensure requirements in as little as 12 months. 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
  Prepare for a career as a teacher with our teacher licensure and master’s degree in early childhood education program. Early childhood education is a field encompassing a broad age range of the lifespan, birth through age eight. An early childhood education degree can be used in a variety of settings including public and private schools, centers, and home-based programs, and encompasses many roles in addition to the traditional role of “teacher.”

• 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.

Meet in the greater Fort Collins/Loveland area
Locations for classroom instruction and internship placement vary within Fort Collins and Loveland in northern Colorado.
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 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.
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

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 “Education and Human Resource Studies / Education Sciences (M.Ed.) - Distance” when choosing the program of study.
  - Then select “Teacher Licensure” program option

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. 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.