

# MASTER OF EDUCATION (M.Ed.)

Specialization in

## Elementary Education

### OVERVIEW

New learning technology, Common Core standards and an increasing need to provide individualized instruction may have changed how you teach, but they haven't changed why you teach. A Master of Education degree with a specialization in Elementary Education can help you gain the skills and knowledge you need to reach more students, advance your career, and fulfill your dedication to lifelong learning.\*

### COURSEWORK

#### CURRICULUM INCLUDES

Designed for licensed teachers, AIU's advanced degree in Elementary Education can help educators enhance the classroom experience, as well as prepare for grade-level leadership roles. With a Master of Education in Elementary Education, teachers can learn up-to-date methods of instruction and assessment, and gain a deeper understanding of how to develop classroom strategies that are better targeted to today's elementary-age students. For example:

- In **Researching Resources for the Classroom**, students can examine ways and means to augment learning and teaching resources in the classroom through effective use of both monetary and non-monetary resources.
- In **Development of the Elementary Student**, students can focus on the elementary student's physical, mental and emotional development, and potential actions and interventions that may be necessary in the classroom.
- In **Data Applications for Elementary Educators**, students can focus on the practical application of available data in the planning and conduct of elementary instruction.

\*American InterContinental University's Master of Education degree is not designed to meet state educator licensing or advancement requirements; however, it may assist candidates in gaining these approvals in their state of residence depending on those requirements. Contact the state board of education in the applicable state(s) for details.

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#### WHY AIU®?

AIU is serious about helping busy professionals get where they want to be. Our undergraduate and graduate programs are taught by industry specialists who bring real-world perspectives into the classroom and will work with you one-on-one when you need it.

At AIU we help you balance your busy life and your education with flexible schedules. Plus, you can study, check assignments and view grades at work, home or even on your commute with 24/7 access. And with our generous transfer-in\*\* policy you could get credit for eligible college, work and military experience.



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Earning the Master of Education (M.Ed.) degree is an important step in advancing your career as a professional educator. AIU's Master of Education degree program and its specializations are designed to help teachers gain the skills they need to enhance education and learning.

### FOCUS ON YOUR SPECIFIC AREA OF INTEREST

By studying key topics in elementary education to complete the upper division's core specialization requirements, you have an opportunity to focus your interests on the acquisition of grade-specific knowledge and skills common to educators within elementary education.

#### OUTCOMES

#### WE CAN HELP YOU LEARN HOW TO:

- Analyze research findings to respond to academic, physical, social and cultural differences in educating students, and recommend method modifications based on research results.
- Design educational programs that effectively address objectives integrating the appropriate use of various instructional media and technologies for learning.
- Develop educational programs that use the appropriate criteria for selecting curricular content, organization of content and methods of curriculum evaluation.
- Create a plan for implementation of learning content in various educational settings.
- Evaluate the opportunities and challenges involved in the organizational development and delivery of learning programs using formative and summative instruments.
- Evaluate educational situations and problems in order to develop and substantiate solutions using leadership and management strategies.
- Demonstrate advanced discipline and appropriate communication skills in written and presentation formats.



#### REQUIRED COURSES

##### CORE COURSES

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| EDU 601 | The Education Leader                                | 6 |
| EDU 603 | Legal, Regulatory, Educational Standards and Ethics | 6 |
| EDU 605 | Researching Resources for the Classroom             | 6 |
| EDU 625 | Educational Specialty Capstone                      | 6 |

**Total Core Requirements** **24**

##### ELEMENTARY EDUCATION SPECIALIZATION COURSES

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| EDU 650 | Development of the Elementary Student        | 6 |
| EDU 653 | The Diverse Elementary Classroom             | 6 |
| EDU 654 | Data Applications for Elementary Educators   | 6 |
| EDU 655 | Managing the Elementary Learning Environment | 6 |

**Total Specialization Course Requirements** **24**

**Total M.Ed. Degree Requirements** **48 Credits**



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