MASTER OF ARTS IN TEACHING

BEND, OREGON
Teachers set the foundation for student success through confidence and skill building, mentoring and encouragement.

A degree built around you

OSU-Cascades has created a learning system to meet your needs — offering one-year, full-time or two-year, part-time programs. Here, you will gain skills to become an advocate for underrepresented students with courses built through an inclusivity lens. Your studies will lead you toward a preliminary teaching license with endorsements in elementary education, English language arts, foundational and advanced mathematics, biology, chemistry, physics, integrated science, social studies and/or English for speakers of other languages.

2X more student teaching

Working with students one-on-one allows you to build relationships and apply instructional strategies and methods. That’s why the MAT program includes more than twice the student teaching hours required for an Oregon preliminary teaching license. You will gain hands-on experience in a K-12 classroom, receive valuable feedback and expand on your knowledge and skills.

Teachers lead, inspire and help mold the next generation of innovators and change-makers. And the nationally accredited, cohort-based Master of Arts in Teaching program at OSU-Cascades will prepare you to impact the future. With a MAT degree and licensure programs in elementary and secondary education, a curriculum developed through current research, educational theory and best practices, and a robust clinical experience in the classroom — you’ll be ready to enter the profession.
Your second home

Study and discover at our modern campus near downtown Bend, nestled among ponderosa pine trees and surrounded by mountains. When you’re ready to explore, head to the slopes, rivers, hiking trails and wilderness of Central Oregon’s high desert.

Build camaraderie

The MAT program at OSU-Cascades follows a cohort model. As you learn with fellow education students, you’ll make connections, develop friendships and create a professional network that will last a lifetime.

Choose your path from here

Students who graduate with a Master of Arts in Teaching degree from OSU-Cascades become teachers, adult educators and mentors. It’s a career you can be proud of.

We achieve higher

More than 700 teachers have graduated from the Master of Arts in Teaching program since 2001. School districts seek out MAT graduates from OSU-Cascades when recruiting and hiring.

OSU-Cascades students score 10%+ higher than average on national licensure exams.
The Facts

Sample core curriculum
- Educational Development K-12
- Learning Environments
- Technology Tools for Teaching
- Professional Practice in the Teaching Community
- Teaching Methods (available in multiple subjects)

Program endorsement options
- Elementary: Multiple Subjects (grades K-8)
- English Language Arts (grades 5-12)
- Foundational Mathematics (grades 5-9)
- Advanced Mathematics (grades 5-12)
- Science: Integrated Science, Biology, Chemistry, Physics (grades 5-12)
- Social Studies (grades 5-12)
- English to Speakers of Other Languages (ESOL)

Student teaching placement
You will be placed in one of six Central Oregon school districts for student teaching.
- First Placement: Part-time during the fall term
- Second Placement: Part-time during the winter term and full-time during the spring term

Summer application deadlines
- Application opens mid-September
- Priority deadline: December 1
- Final deadline: April 1
- Fall, winter or spring term start, contact recruitment coordinator

Application checklist
- Online application
- Official transcripts of all previous academic work
- Resume
- Teachers Standards and Practices Commission character questionnaire
- Statement of objectives
- Optional letters of recommendation
- A passing NES test score or Non-NES Content Knowledge Demonstration

Tuition and financial aid
Tuition for the 2024-2025 academic year will be available summer 2024. For estimating purposes, tuition and fees in 2023-24 translated to a total program cost of $29,327 for Oregon residents and $47,631 for nonresidents.

Scholarships are available through OSU. Most students fund their degree through a combination of scholarships, savings, federal loans and other programs (e.g., VA benefits).

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