Master of Education With Concentration

## Interdisciplinary Studies

32 credits, 3 terms full-time • This degree program does not satisfy licensure requirements for K-12 public school teachers.

The **INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES** program enables students to develop their own program in consultation with a faculty advisor to augment their knowledge and professional skills and, in some instances, prepare for a career transition. Students select courses from among the College's offerings in any or all disciplines. They are expected to articulate a rationale for each course selected. (Note: the program cannot prepare students for licensure.)

**Assessment** — Students meet with their faculty advisor to assess their progress in meeting their program goals as part of a formative evaluation process.

**Independent Learning Project** — Students will research and write about a topic that supports their post-graduate endeavors and/or personal growth.

**Learning Outcomes** — Students learn to integrate information from interdisciplinary perspectives and enhance their creativity, insightfulness, and unconventional but considered thinking. They improve their higher-order cognitive skills, capacity for independent thinking, and autonomous action. They employ meta-cognition in the classroom and in life circumstances, make connections among seeming dissimilarities; appreciate and enjoy questions, ambiguity, and paradox. Students interrogate diverse world views and become cognizant of ethical dimensions of issues and dilemmas.

**Careers** — Our graduates pursue a wide variety of jobs that involve a significant element of educating. They are tutors and teachers; personal, academic, and athletic coaches; actors; family advocates and mediators; clergy; college faculty and administrators; and more. They work in schools and colleges, nonprofit organizations and human services, the criminal justice system; religious organizations, community planning and development, the criminal justice system, and corporations.

## Professional Seminar & Project .....9 credits

EED691-693Professional Seminar - 3 terms @ 2 credits . . . . . 6EED800Independent Learning Project (take with Seminar III) . . . 3

| Theory & Practice of Education                      | redits |
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| EED590 (Fall) and 591 (Spring) – 2 terms @ 1 credit | 2      |

Admissions requirements: Bachelor's degree and other general requirements (see Admission)

**12 transfer credits may be accepted:** Transfer courses must meet all general criteria for transfer (see Transfer of Credit).

## **Suggested Courses**

Selected courses offered each term in response to student requests, subject to sufficient enrollment. Please contact program chair early the preceding term.

## All courses @ 3 credits:

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| EED544      | Teacher As Artistevery term   |
| EED628      | Effective Schools in class and DL: every term                             |
| EED647      | Human Brain / Human Learningevery term                                    |
| EED704      | Seminar in Current  |
|             | Educational Issues in class and DL: every term                            |
| EED705      | Multicultural Diversity in Workplace                                      |
|             | & Classroom in class every term; DL Fall, Spring                          |
| EED512      | Inclusion & Behavior Management Fall                                      |
| EED564      | Motivation and Teaching: Theories and Practices Fall                      |
| EED518      | Effective Classroom Discipline StrategiesSpring                           |
| EED520      | Civil Rights and Social Justice: History                                  |
|             | of the Civil Rights Movement Fall (in-class and DL)                       |
| EED604      | Social Science Research: Writing Your ILP Fall, Spring                    |
| EED615      | Intro to Integrative Learning & Learning Styles . Fall, Spring            |
| EED710      | Alternative Assessment Strategies   |
|             | Across Curriculum in class and DL: Fall, Spring                           |
| EED699      | Language & Literacy for Teachers K-12 Fall, Summer                        |
| ENG701      | Integration of Reading & Writing With                                     |
|             | Children's Literature in class and DL: Fall, Summer                       |
| EED617      | Foundations of Social Justice   |
| EED680      | Teaching America Through Its Literatures Fall, Summer                     |
| EED681      | Visualizing Social Justice  |
| EED636      | Re-Reading Global Oppression:   |
|             | The Last 500 Years Summer   |
| EED663      | Teaching Social Studies: The United States                                |
|             | Through the Media   |
| EED503      | Teaching Children With Different Learning Styles Summer                   |
| EED584      | Images and Information: An African  |
|             | American Woman's Notebook Summer  |
| EED610      | Strategies for Teaching Critical Thinking<br>Across the Curriculum Summer |
|             |   |
| EED644      | Theories of Leadership Summer (DL)  |

See also course descriptions in the catalog for more elective courses.

Course offerings plan for Cambridge, subject to change without notice. Regional centers set their own schedules but offer the same program of study.

If nine or more transfer credits are accepted, the Professional Seminar is reduced to two terms and the Theory & Practice of Education to one credit.

**Satisfactory academic progress** — All students must maintain a minimum GPA of 3.0 or be placed on academic probation.



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