SUMMER 2018
SUMMER MAT PROGRAM
For Full-time and Part-time Teachers

Master of Arts in Teaching for K-12 Language Arts Concentration
Summer, On Campus Program:
School of Teacher Education, San Diego State University

Limited Number of Spaces Available

Are you interested in completing a Master’s degree but can’t imagine how you can do this while teaching full time? If so, you might be interested in the Masters of Arts in Teaching K-12 Language Arts Concentration, which can be completed in three summers.

DESCRIPTION

This TWO summer, 30-unit degree program includes attending a conference at SDSU each summer. The speakers at the conference are international experts in literacy who discuss state-of-the-art instructional strategies in literacy. Each summer you will take 3 additional courses in literacy theory, research and practice that result in effective instruction. This summer program is designed to meet the schedules of traditional and year round teachers because the courses meet in the afternoon. You will also receive up to 6 units of credit for credential course work completed in the past 4 years. For more information contact: Melanie Falkenberg (mfalkenb@mail.sdsu.edu); or Dr. Marva Cappello (cappello@mail.sdsu.edu)

SAMPLE OF THE COURSES

First Summer

TE 638, Reading Conference, 3 units
TE 600, Curriculum Development in Education, 3 units
TE 677, Research Based Pedagogy for Diverse Learners, 3 units (taught online)
TE 693, Measuring & Assessing Student Achievement, 3 units

Second Summer

TE 638, Reading Conference, 3 units
TE 530, Children’s Literature, 3 units
TE 630 or 640, Seminar in Literacy & Lang Arts focus in Writing, 3 units (taught online)
TE 779, Action Research in K-12 Learning Environments, 3 units
Time Required for Program Completion: 2 summers

Meeting Times

With the exception of the summer reading conference, all classes are held at 4:00 p.m. or 7:00 p.m. four days each week from the end of May through the end of June.

The Reading Conference is usually held 9-4pm during the third week in June with several additional Tuesday night sessions from 4-6:30pm. Year round teachers may complete the conference via a video available through Dropbox.

2018 Conference dates will be: June 18-22 (9-4pm), and Thursday June 26 (4-6pm)

Location of conference and classes: SDSU campus

SDSU Contact Information:

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Need an application? Both applications are required and can be found at:

http://go.sdsu.edu/education/admissions/mat-ma-education.aspx

1. Apply to SDSU via the Cal State Apply Application—Deadline March 1, 2018

2. Apply to the program via the Decision Desk program application—Deadline March 15, 2018

A limited number of spaces are still available for this summer.
Frequently Asked Questions

1. **Who should take this program?**
   You’re perfect for this program if you’re a teacher who is interested in exploring literacy related curriculum and instruction issues at the elementary, middle, and secondary school levels. There are instructional challenges that face teachers who are designing literacy curriculum for native English speakers and students who are acquiring English as a second language. We will present approaches, strategies, and materials that are most effective when developing the literacy of all students at all grade levels. This culturally relevant instruction and curriculum will be well correlated with national, state, and local standards.

2. **How many courses are required and when will I take these courses?**
   Courses are offered at 4pm or 7pm to accommodate year round professionals. The entire Master’s degree program of study can be completed in two semesters (as long as you have recently completed a credential program at the post-bac level). The 30 unit program consists of eight (3 unit) courses. You will also receive up to 6 units of credit for credential work completed in the past 4 years. *If your credential work is older than 4 years or earned at the undergraduate level, then you will have to take 6 additional units to complete the program, which are not usually scheduled during the summer.* These additional units may need to be completed in the regular school year.

3. **I am a full-time teacher. Will I be able to complete this program?**
   This program was designed for full-time teachers with work and life schedules that cannot accommodate graduate study during the regular school year. With the exception of the summer conference (TE 638) classes meet in the evenings at 4pm and 7pm. Year round teachers may complete the summer conference (TE 638), which occurs yearly via video.

4. **What are the requirements and admission procedures to be admitted to the program?**
   If you have questions that are not addressed below, please contact Melanie Falkenberg at 619-594-6117 or mfalkenb@mail.sdsu.edu

   In general the applicants will:
   - Have a teaching credential
   - Have taken the GRE (Graduate Record Examination)
To apply, you will need to do the following:

i. **Take the Graduate Record exam (GRE):** To register for the exam, please call Prometric Testing Center in San Diego at 858-866-2120. You can also make arrangements with the SDSU Testing Office by calling 619-594-0968. Please request to have your scores sent directly to SDSU. Scores from previous years are acceptable as long as you have a copy of your score sheet (or SDSU has scores on record on your transcript).

ii. **Apply to the University:** Complete a Graduate Admission application found on-line at https://www2.calstate.edu/apply along with the required $55 application fee and transcripts (if you are new to SDSU). Your application will not be processed without the $55 application fee.

   - Please complete the Fall application for Cal State Apply as the University does not have a separate Summer application.
   - Select that you are applying for a Master’s degree or higher program. Then later when you start your application, filter all the Master’s degrees to show San Diego State campus only & choose: Master of Arts in Teaching: Language Arts (Summer only)

iii. If you are new to SDSU, please have your Bachelor’s degree and credential transcripts sent to:

   Enrollment Services  
   Graduate Admissions Document Processing Unit  
   San Diego State University  
   San Diego, CA 92182-7416

iv. **Apply to the School of Teacher Education:** complete an online application at http://decisiondesk.sdsu.edu/Teacher_Education_MAT.html where you can complete the whole application electronically. You would upload your statement of application and request a recommendation electronically through the system.