

# ELEMENTARY EDUCATION ALTERNATIVE MASTER'S



The **Elementary Education Alternative Master's program** at the University of Montevallo is for those who have earned a bachelor's degree or higher and wish to be certified to teach in Alabama.

An alternative master's degree leads to advanced (Class A) teacher certification at the elementary school level (grades K-6).

Courses in this program are offered in a face-to-face format during the mornings and afternoons. This enables candidates to gain four semesters of practical, professional experience and network in local, public elementary schools. Specifically, this program is designed to meet the needs of full-time graduate students.

## COURSEWORK OVERVIEW

All coursework must be completed with a minimum overall GPA of 3.25. The edTPA assessment must be satisfactorily completed.

### Foundations Block (10 hours required)

*Includes a 50-hour school-based field experience*

- ED 501** Introduction to Teaching (1)
- EDF 580** Advanced Human Growth & Development (3)
- SPED 507** Exceptional Learners in the P-12 & Elementary Classroom (3)
- ED 581** Organization and Methods for Early Childhood Education (3)

### Methods Block (15 hours required)

*Includes a 4-day-a-week, 8-week field experience*

- ED 510** Teaching of Reading (3)
- ED 547** Technology for Today's Classroom (3)
- ED 565** Classroom Management in Elementary Grades (3)
- EDF 561** Evaluation in Elementary Education (3)
- SPED 515** Instructional Methods in the Inclusive Elementary Classroom (3)

### Pre-Internship Block (15 hours required)

*Includes a 4-day-a-week, 8-week field experience*

- ED 511** Teaching of Reading II (3)
- ED 544** Methods & Materials for Teaching Social Studies (3)
- ED 545** Methods & Materials for Teaching Mathematics (3)
- ED 546** Methods & Materials for Teaching Language Arts (3)
- ED 548** Methods & Materials for Teaching Science (3)

### Internship Block (6 hours required)

*Includes a 16-week school-based field experience*

- EDI 570** Internship in Elementary Education (3)
- EDI 599** Intern Certification Preparation (3)

## ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Online application at [montevallo.edu/apply](https://montevallo.edu/apply)
- Bachelor's degree (minimum 2.75 GPA) or graduate degree (minimum 3.0 GPA) from a regionally accredited college/university
- Praxis II Elementary Education: Three Subject Bundle\*
- Teaching Education Program Interview
- Fingerprint/background clearance

\*Minimum GPA of 2.0 allowed with a corresponding higher Praxis II score.

## MONTEVALLO EDUCATORS' PARTNERSHIP

Candidates employed by eligible school systems can receive a scholarship of up to \$110 per credit hour toward tuition for all program coursework.

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