



MASTER OF ARTS IN DIFFERENTIATED INSTRUCTION

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REQUIRED COURSES:

Differentiation and Learning Theory
Psychology and Methods of Teaching
the Exceptional Learner**
Curriculum and Instructional
Development for the Differentiated
Classroom
Instructional Methods of the
Differentiated Classroom
Assessment of Student Learning
Characteristics and Learning Needs of
Students with Learning and Behavior
Disorders**
Studies in Literacy and Multi-literacies
Cross-Cultural Studies: Teaching Limited
English Proficient Students**
Integrating Technology Across the
Curriculum
Seminar in Differentiated Instruction

**indicates a course that leads to an
Illinois endorsement in Special
Education or ESL/ELL

The Master of Arts in Differentiated Instruction is designed for current educators with two to ten years of experience who are interested in leading change and reform efforts in their educational settings. These educators would be those looking for knowledge, skills, and dispositions to act as teacher-leaders in planning and implementing differentiated instructional improvements and curricular enhancements as they relate to all students. Candidates will:

- Think critically, creatively, and analytically in ways that promote meaningful teaching and learning experiences.
- Be able to articulate learning theory, assess students' needs and develop curriculum and instructional strategies to meet those needs.
- Master a variety of cognitive and learning theories, differentiation in the content areas, instructional technology across the curriculum, various instructional approaches and the importance of managing the differentiated learning environment using research-based instructional strategies and data-driven decision making.

TARGET AUDIENCE:

Classroom teachers who have a minimum of two years of lead-teaching experience.

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS:

1. Bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited institution.
2. Graduate admission application including an objective statement.
3. Official transcripts from Bachelor's degree (and for any Master's degree earned as well).
4. Evidence of ability to achieve success:
 - a. for regular graduate status, a grade-point average (GPA) of 2.85/4.0 or better in all previous college work, or
 - b. for probationary status, a GPA of 2.25 to 2.84
5. Two letters of recommendation (preferably one from a college or university instructor) addressing academic proficiency, personal character, and competence and effectiveness in professional work.

COST:

\$1,431 per 3 semester hour course

REGISTRATION PROCEDURE:

For registration information, contact us at (708) 957-5991.

ACADEMIC CALENDAR:

Summer, fall, and spring semesters.

DELIVERY MODE:

Cohort

LOCATION(S) OF COURSES:

University Center Grayslake or Online

TEXTBOOK PURCHASE:

Textbooks may be purchased from Concordia University's Bookstore, by phone (708) 209-3173, by fax (708) 209-3530, by email (crfbookstore@cuchicago.edu), or online <http://www.cuchicago.edu/bookstore> using the course code number.

TRANSFER HOURS POLICY:

Up to 50% of a degree may be accepted for transfer credit from an accredited graduate school.

TOTAL HOURS NEEDED:

30 Credit Hours

FINANCIAL AID INFO:

Office of Student Financial Planning
(708) 209-3113