The master of arts in education and human development in the field of curriculum and instruction with a concentration in elementary education degree program prepares teachers and other educational personnel for increased responsibilities in the planning, implementation, research, and evaluation of curriculum and instruction. The program includes study in curriculum development, research and evaluation of instructional practice, teacher education, work with special populations, and school policy and leadership.

Students in this program also can enroll in and receive a graduate certificate in either:

- Incorporating International Perspectives in Education (IIPE) (http://bulletin.gwu.edu/education-human-development/educational-leadership/certificate-incorporating-international-perspectives/) or
- Teaching English Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL) (http://bulletin.gwu.edu/education-human-development/curriculum-pedagogy/certificate-teaching-english-speakers-other-languages/)

Certain credits are applied toward both the master's degree and the certificate.

Visit the program website (http://gsehd.gwu.edu/programs/masters-curriculum-and-instruction/) for additional information.

**REQUIREMENTS**

The following requirements must be fulfilled: 30 credits, including 9 credits in core courses, 12 credits in courses in the concentration, 9 credits in elective courses, and successful completion of the master of arts in education and human development comprehensive examination.

**Required**

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**Elementary education concentration courses**

- CPED 6410 Reading Children's Literature across the Curriculum
- CPED 6604 Perspectives in American Education
- CPED 6606 Theories of Learning and Development

**Electives**

12 credits in elective courses selected in consultation with the program advisor.

**Comprehensive examination**

Successful completion of the master of arts in education and human development comprehensive examination is required.