# PROFESSIONAL STUDIES, M.ED.

#### **PROGRAM OVERVIEW:**

The Masters of Education (M.Ed.) in Professional Studies is a 30-credit hour graduate program designed to prepare you with the practical knowledge and intellectual capabilities to meet emerging needs of diverse professional work environments. The online delivery format gives you flexibility to earn an advanced degree while remaining at a distant location.

#### PERSONALIZED CURRICULUM:

A Professional Studies degree provides you with the opportunity to design your personal path to learning. Our expert faculty advisors will help you build a curriculum based on your academic interests and career or professional goals. Customizing your learning across multiple disciplines will allow you to meet the demands of emerging fields and changing educational landscapes and industries. When designing a learning pathway, you can choose online courses from the following areas of study:

- Literacy (online)
- Special Education (online)
- Instructional Design & Technology (online)

Student who would like to take classes on campus or in a hybrid format (part online and part on-campus), can choose from the following areas:

- Business Administration Project Management
- Business Administration Human Resources Management
- Exercise Science

#### **CURRICULUM REQUIREMENTS:**

The Professional Studies curriculum is comprised of (a) 9-credit hours of core graduate courses, and (b) a 21-credit hour professional plan of study based on your academic interests and professional goals.



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## **Program Highlights**

- Competitive cost
- Same virtual rate for resident & non-resident
- ► Flexible
- Customizable
- Complete online or in person
- No admission test required

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### **PROGRAM OF STUDY**

The M.Ed. in Professional Studies provides professionals with an opportunity to design a program of study customized to meet their professional and personal interests. Students complete the 9 core credit hours (3 core courses) required for all M.Ed. candidates and then consult with a faculty advisor to select an additional 21 credit hours (7 courses) from a variety of graduate course offerings to complete their individual course plan.

#### REQUIRED M.ED. CORE COURSES (9 CREDIT HOURS):

EDUC 6301: RESEARCH IN EDUCATION3EDUC 6305: ADVANCED EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY & MEDIA3EDUC 6395: CAPSTONE RESEARCH PROJECT3

To complete the required 30 total credit hours for the Master of Education degree, candidates may take courses in: INSTRUCTIONAL DESIGN & TECHNOLOGY EXERCISE SCIENCE GENERAL EDUCATION READING SPECIALIST SPECIAL EDUCATION (INCLUDING AN EMPHASIS IN AUTISM) BUSINESS

## **Frequently Asked Questions**

#### How are the courses delivered?

All courses are offered online through the university learning management system unless the student chooses to take on-campus courses as part of their customized program of study. (Please see section on cost below for how taking an on-campus course impacts the cost of completion.)

#### Do I have to start courses in the Fall semester?

No. You can start in Fall, Spring, or Summer.

#### How long does it take to complete this degree?

You can complete this program in as little as three semesters or take longer, depending on how many courses you register for each semester.

#### Do I have to complete a residency for this program?

No

#### Do I have to complete a thesis for this program?

No

#### Do I have to take the GRE, MAT, or other test for admission?

No

#### How much does this program cost to complete?

The total cost for completing this program is competitive at \$517 per 1-credit hour with the e-learning fee included per credit hour. Professional Studies is assessed the virtual rate regardless if the student is a resident or non-resident. Please note if you register for a course that is an on-campus course, you will be assessed on-campus tuition and fees for all credit hours registered. Tuition rate and fees are subject to change and represent accurate numbers as of the date of printing. For more information on tuition and fees visit: https://www.fairmontstate.edu/student-services/student-accounts/tuition-fees-charts.aspx



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