



**M.Ed. IN TEACHING ARTS (K-6) - ALTERNATE ROUTE  
STATUS SHEET**

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**Master of Education in Teaching Arts – 33 Credit Hours**

This elementary 33 hour program has been designed to enable candidates to seek Mississippi Alternative Route Licensure with an Elementary (Grades K-6) concentration.

Course Number	Course Name	Course Hours	CRN	Status
<b>Pre-Teaching Required Courses (9 hrs)</b>				
<i>Note: Upon completion of EDU 6506, EDU 6554, EDU 5435 plus passing FOR, CASE, and PRAXIS II, the candidate becomes eligible for a Special Class A Alternate Route License.</i>				
EDU 6506	Classroom Management for Elem. Teachers	3		
EDU 6554	Tests & Measurement	3		
PSY 5435	Psychology of Exceptional Children	3		
<b>Required Internship Courses (6 hrs)</b>				
<i>Note: Students must complete EDU 6506, EDU 6554, and EDU 5455/5456 prior to enrollment in either EDU 6537 or EDU 6538. Students must be employed (under contract) as a regular classroom teacher and have a 3-year alternate route license. EDU 6537 and EDU 6538 are taken separately. These classes are scheduled in the fall and spring– not in the summer.</i>				
EDU 6537	Dimensions of Learning I	3		
EDU 6538	Dimensions of Learning II	3		
<b>Required Core Courses for AA Licensure (9 hrs)</b>				
EDU 6504	Research Methods & Procedures	3		
EDU 6540/6550	STEM	3		
EDU 6439	Advanced Integrating Reading and Writing Across the Curriculum	3		
<b>Concentration Courses for AA Licensure (9 hrs)</b>				
EDU 6467	Advanced Early Lit I	3		
EDU 6468	Advanced Early Lit II	3		
EDU 6488	Advanced Diagnosing and Assessing Reading Difficulties in Children	3		



**No Course or Program Substitutions are allowed**

**Total Credit Hours: 33**

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## Teaching Arts, M.Ed. Alternate Route Program

This program is designed to enable candidates to seek Mississippi Alternate Route licensure in an Elementary (K-6) concentration. One criteria is met (see program admission requirements listed below), candidates may register online at [www.mc.edu/apply](http://www.mc.edu/apply). This is a Graduate program. All transcripts, Praxis I (ACT or SAT) score, Praxis II scores, and the Foundations of Reading scores (Elementary K-6 only) must be sent to the Graduate Admissions Office.

Following admission and successful completion of the pre-teaching required courses in EDU 5455/5456, 6506 and 6554, candidates are able to apply for a Special Class A License (3-year non-renewable) with the Mississippi Department of Education. After successful completion of the EDU 5455/5456, 6506 and 6554, internship requirements, EDU 6537 and 6538 (total of 12 hours) students may apply for a Mississippi Standard A Alternate Route Educator License (5-year renewable).

Candidates may choose to continue with a Master of Education in Teaching Arts after achieving their alternate route certification. The 15 hours taken for certification can be counted toward the degree.

### Admission, Maintenance, and Graduation Requirements

#### Admission

- Must have a cumulative GPA of 2.75 in undergraduate degree.
- Must have passing scores on PRAXIS I CORE CASE tests: (5713) Reading 156; (5723) Writing 162; (5733) Mathematics 130 **OR** ACT score of 21 or higher **OR** SAT score of 1060 or higher Math/Verbal. Minimum passing score on the PRAXIS II – Specialty Area Content, Currently: (5018) Elementary Education 163.
- Must have a Mississippi passing score of 229 on the Foundations of Reading Test.

#### Maintenance

- Must maintain a 3.0 GPA and good standing throughout the program.

#### Graduation

- No degree requirement may be waived without the approval of the Department Chair and the Graduate Dean.
  - Make an application for graduation with the Registrar's Office at the beginning of the final semester of the student's graduate program. (The diploma is ordered from this information).
  - At the end of the last semester, fill out a transcript request for, and an application for a Mississippi Educator License. The application must be approved and signed by the advisor and the Department Chair. These forms are available in the Teacher Education Office in Lowrey Hall or online.
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Transcripts should be sent to:  
**Mississippi College**  
Graduate Admissions Office  
MC Box 4067  
Clinton, MS 39056

**Instructor and Coordinator:**  
Michael J. Coco  
601-925-7394, coco@mc.edu

**Financial Aid office:**  
601-925-3212, financialaid@mc.edu  
**Registrar's office:**  
601-925-3210, [registrar@mc.edu](mailto:registrar@mc.edu)

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**Reporting Issues:** In the process of completing field experiences, student teaching, internships, or practicums, candidates shall report any witnessed issues or conflicts that are in violation of the MS Code of Ethics to the Program Coordinator/Advisor. The information will be reported to the Dean, thereafter.

**Courses and programs of study** are subject to change, if the TEL department, university, and/or accrediting body mandate a change.

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Student's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Faculty Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_