**ALTERNATE ROUTE / M.ED. in TEACHING ART**

***Thanks so much for your inquiry. The Alternate Route program is designed for those who have an undergraduate degree in another area who want to receive a teaching license.***

**1. Student must have an undergraduate degree with a GPA of 2.75 or higher.**

**2. Student must pass Praxis I (CORE). If the student scored a 21 or higher on the ACT, the student will be exempt from taking Praxis I. Licensure areas are 4-6 or 7-12.**

**3. Gr. 4-6 must take and pass the Foundations of Reading Test along with Praxis II before acceptance in the program. Info on the Foundations of Reading test will be provided.**

**4. Gr. 7-12 must take and pass Praxis II (in a major subject).**

**Once these criteria are met, the student may register online. This is a Graduate Program. Make sure all transcripts and Praxis I (or ACT score of 21), Praxis II Scores and The Foundation of Reading score (4-6 only) are sent to the Graduate Admissions Office.**

**Once you are approved, you will take 2 courses (EDU 6506-Classroom Management for Teachers and EDU 6554-Test and Measurement). If you maintain a C or higher, you will receive a**

**3 year non-renewable teaching license from the State of Mississippi. Within 3 years, you must secure a teaching position which will allow you to take 2 more courses (Internship courses with a C or better) and receive a 5 year renewable license.**

**A 3 year non-renewable license is recognized for teaching positions in Mississippi only. A state does not recognize 3 year non-renewable licenses from other states.**

**Please feel free to contact me if you would like to meet with me to discuss this further. I am always happy to meet with students who are seeking a teaching license.**

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