



Master of Arts in Teaching SIUC

Southern Illinois University Carbondale has responded to the increased demand for teachers by offering a highly marketable graduate degree program that may be completed in as little as 15 months which leads to teacher licensure in the areas of secondary English Language Arts, Mathematics, Science-Biology, Science-Chemistry, or Social Science-History. The Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT) is a degree program intended for persons who have successfully completed an undergraduate degree (Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science, or Bachelor of Fine Arts) in the liberal arts or sciences and desire to pursue licensure for teaching at the secondary school level.

The MAT program is designed to meet the growing demand for qualified professional teachers by providing MAT graduates with the necessary knowledge, skills, and preparation to successfully teach our nation's youth. Upon graduation from the program, candidates will be licensed to teach in a school system in Illinois or in a state offering reciprocity. They will be broadly prepared in their content areas and will possess leadership experience pertinent to the public school setting. MAT candidates advance through the program as members of an interdisciplinary cohort of no more than 25 students and are required to work collaboratively within that cohort to investigate best approaches to effective instruction.

Those enrolled engage in a year-long internship (two semesters) in a public school setting while also completing university-based studies culminating in the Masters degree. The MAT is designed as a high-quality, technology-rich, accelerated teacher license program; time-to-degree is approximately fifteen (15) months, including one full academic year and two adjacent or contiguous summer sessions of course work. Those holding undergraduate degrees in teacher education are ineligible for this program.

To apply for the MAT program, go to <https://ehs.siu.edu/academics/mat.html> MAT applicants need to select Curriculum and Instruction for their program and Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT) for their degree.

For information on the Master of Arts in Teaching program, please contact:

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