

TEACHER EDUCATION ADMISSION OVERVIEW

At Montclair State University, students who seek to obtain a bachelor's degree and teacher certification must declare a major and select one of three certification areas: Early Childhood (Preschool – Grade 3); Elementary (Kindergarten – Grade 6); or Secondary Education (Preschool – Grade 12). Students interested in obtaining a certification to teach students with disabilities (inclusive education) may apply for the Combined Bachelor's/Master's Program with Dual Certification in Teacher of Students with Disabilities. Graduates of the Combined Bachelor's/Masters' Program earn certifications in one of the initial certification areas (P-3, K-6 or a P-12) and Teacher of Students with Disabilities.

Eligibility Criteria

Requirements for the Teacher Education Program may vary by certification or degree program; however, for full consideration, all applicants must show evidence of the following:

- Passing standardized test score (SAT, ACT or Praxis Core)
- Meeting overall GPA of 3.0 for applicants to a single certification program or 3.25 for applicants to the Combined Bachelor's/Master's Program with Dual Certification
- Meeting the minimum GPA in the respective major. To view major GPA requirements, see certification program handouts
- Meeting prerequisite course requirements
- Demonstrating evidence of satisfactory written and oral skills

Students whose GPA fall 0.25 points below the overall or major GPA requirement may apply as a supplemental candidate.

How to Apply

Interested students may apply by visiting the Teacher Education Program website and submitting an online application located at, <https://www.montclair.edu/center-of-pedagogy/application/>. Applications are considered complete and ready for review when all of the following materials are submitted by the application deadline:

- Completed Application
- Unofficial transcript from Montclair State University
- Copy of official passing test score for SAT, ACT or Praxis Core or indicate Montclair State University as a score recipient.
- One (1) Letter of recommendation from a faculty member
- Admission Essay(s)
- Resume

A completed application and supporting documentation must be submitted on or before the deadline.

Application Deadline

The application deadline for fall is September 15 and for spring is February 1. Applicants to the Combined Bachelor's/Master's with Dual Certification in Teacher of Students with Disabilities Program can apply in the spring semester only (February 1).

Admission Process

After the submission and evaluation of the completed application for admission, qualified applicants are required to submit an impromptu writing sample and participate in an admission interview(s) with faculty. Admission decisions generally are made within 6 to 8 weeks of the interview. Applicants are notified electronically via the online application portal.

Questions

For questions about the application process for the Teacher Education Program, please email teadmissions@montclair.edu or visit The Office of Teacher Education Admissions, Recruitment, and Diversity in University Hall, Suite 1180. You may also contact one of our Teacher Education Admissions team members:

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For information on graduate programs, visit The Graduate School website at <http://www.montclair.edu/graduate/>.

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