

College of Education
Master of Arts in Education
Application for Candidacy

The graduate candidacy policy is an important requirement to be adhered to by all College of Education graduate students. Students must apply for candidacy prior to the trimester in which they expect to complete the courses required for candidacy. A registration hold will be placed after completion of 15 hours if candidacy is not approved. The application deadlines are as follows:

Fall Trimester September 30
Winter Trimester January 31
Spring/Summer Trimester May 31

Requirements for Candidacy

1. Approved graduate study plan.
2. Completed undergraduate prerequisite courses listed on study plan.
3. Maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher.
4. Completed EDUC 610 and 800 with a grade of “B” or better and a “C” or better in all other courses.
5. Completed EDUC 610 and 710 within 9 hours, and EDUC 800 and one additional course on study plan before completing 15 hours.
6. Satisfied any conditions of admission.
7. Completed GRE Exam.
8. Be judged in core courses as displaying or developing, the dispositions expected of a graduate student listed in the catalog.
9. Submission of an acceptable 300-word essay. (**Attach the essay to this application**)

The required essay must respond to the following question: “*What is your psychology of Learning?*” ***Your answer must include at least two cognitive psychologists (i.e., Piaget, Vygotsky, Resnick, Gardner). Discuss how you use your “psychology of learning” in your instructional program.***

Once candidacy is approved, you will have four (4) years to complete your degree. If your application for candidacy is denied, you will be limited to registering for only those courses that will fulfill candidacy requirements and/or you will be put on HOLD until you meet the necessary requirements.

Name (Please Print) Signature

SSN Date

For Office Use Only:

____ Approved
____ Denied

Faculty Signature

Comments: _____
Date

**DO NOT SUBMIT THIS FORM UNTIL ALL REQUIREMENTS HAVE BEEN MET
SUBMIT THIS FORM TO THE GRADUATE ADVISING OFFICE!**