

# MASTER OF EDUCATION

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## A MESSAGE FROM THE DEAN



Welcome. The School of Education at the American University in Dubai is focused

on the essential work of teacher education at the graduate level. To this end, AUD offers a cutting-edge Master of Education (M.Ed.) degree for practicing and prospective teachers who love children and aspire to excellence.

As a cohesive and committed professional learning community, everyone involved in the School of Education believes that teaching is a noble, soulful profession and a public trust. For us, to teach is to hold in your hands the power to inspire confidence, stir thinking, awaken dreams, and ultimately shape the future.

If you are a practicing teacher, consider joining us as a colleague, collaborator, and lifelong learners who is committed to the highest standards of teaching and learning, care and compassion, self-reflection and accountability. *If you are a prospective teacher, consider joining us and becoming a great* 

#### teacher who is ready and eager to shape the next generation of leaders.

All graduate students will learn through small classes, extensive supervised fieldwork, and dynamic classroom settings, mentored by a faculty advisor.

At AUD we have students from more than 90 different countries. Our learning crosses the boundaries of nations, local communities and cultures.

Together we have a unique opportunity and a shared responsibility to improve education and the quality of our schools, to lift the lives of children we serve, and to help shape the future of Dubai, the United Arab Emirates, and the entire world.

> **Catherine Hill,** Ed.D. Dean, School of Education

# WHY STUDY EDUCATION AT AUD?

- AUD School of Education is a learning community defined by collaboration and collegiality.
- We understand the urgent need to improve the education sector throughout Dubai and the entire region and we are committed to ensuring a world class 21st century education for all.
- AUD faculty are active researchers who employ innovative strategies for learning and teaching.
- We share a commitment to learning, teaching and leading with technology.
- We believe that all children have the right to learn in schools that work, taught by great teachers who will inspire them to serve, learn and lead.
- We understand education is a powerful and empowering source of personal and national development.

- And above all, we know that **Teachers Matter Most.**
- And, that's why you should choose AUD for graduate studies in education.



# **PROGRAM OVERVIEW**

#### AUD's M.Ed. Program offers ...

- A two-year, professionally-oriented program designed for practicing and prospective teachers, and consisting of 36 credits
- A solid academic basis for what teachers need to know and what they need to be able to do
- Specialization in elementary (EDEL) or secondary (EDSE) education
- Coursework focused on differentiation, inclusion, multiculturalism and other research-based practices
- An opportunity for educators in the UAE to become licensed as highly qualified and competent teachers
- A cohort model of graduate education, giving students a collaborative common experience, opportunities to learn from one another and build meaningful professional relationships over time



# WHAT YOU WILL LEARN

- A specialized body of knowledge including theories of human development, pedagogy, and best practices
- Communication tools and proven strategies for effective teaching and learning
- How to work in teams, problem solve, build capacity and foster cross-cultural competencies
- How to interpret assessment data and use it wisely to make informed decisions

- How to talk constructively about curriculum and instruction, resources and support services
- How to give and receive critical feedback
- How to differentiate learning and create inclusive learning environments for the benefit of ALL



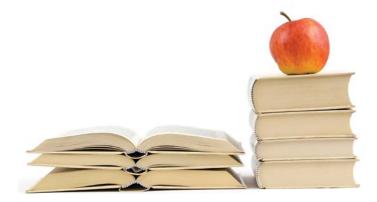
# HOW YOU WILL LEARN

- As individuals and members of a team
- Through case studies, collaborative projects and reflective exercises
- Through classroom observations, field experiences and research projects
- In ways all aimed at helping you take your work and practice to the next level

## SUMMARY OF DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

The M.Ed. can be completed within two years or less. Courses are offered in the evenings and during the summer session. Fieldwork in schools and a supervised teaching experience will be required.

Course Classification	Credit Hours Required
Core	18
Track (incl. Internship)	9-12
Capstone Experience	6
Electives	0-3
Total	36



# **M.ED. COURSE LIST 36 CREDITS**

Core Courses	18 Credits (Required)	Credit Hours
EDCO 600	Learning and Human Development	3
EDCO 601	Differentiating Instruction for all Learners	3
EDCO 602	Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment	3
EDCO 604	Principles of Learning and Classroom Management	3
EDCO 620	Technological Applications in the Classroom	3
EDCO 621	Teaching in a Multicultural Classroom	3
EDCO 610	Special Needs and Inclusion	3

Elementary Track	9 – 12 Credits	Credit Hours
EDEL 603	Elementary Reading Methods	3
EDEL 605	Elementary Language Arts and Social Studies Methods	3
EDEL 606	Elementary Science and Mathematics Methods	3
EDEL 630	Elementary Teaching Practicum	6

Secondary Track	9 – 12 Credits	Credit Hours
EDSE 605	Reading across the Curriculum	3
EDSE 603	Secondary General Methods and Assessment	3
EDSE 606	Secondary Language Arts Methods and Assessment	3
EDSE 607	Secondary Science Methods & Assessments	3
EDSE 608	Secondary Math Methods & Assessments	3
EDSE 609	Secondary Social Studies Methods and Assessment	3
EDSE 630	Secondary Teaching Practicum	6

Capstone	6 Credits (Required)	Credit Hours
EDCO 622	Education Research	3
EDCO 630	Master of Education Capstone Project	3

Elective	0 – 3 Credits	Credit Hours
EDCO 623	Creating, Understanding, and Using Classroom Assessment	3

For further information on the M.Ed. degree, please refer to the website <u>http://aud.edu/education/en/school-of-education</u>

## WHO SHOULD APPLY?

- Elementary and secondary school teachers at any stage of their career development
- Individuals who aspire to become teachers and who have an earned baccalaureate degree
- Young educational entrepreneurs interested in establishing schools and providing learning opportunities around the world

# DISCOUNT AVAILABLE

# **TEACHER DISCOUNT**

The Teacher Discount is open to all teachers, teacher assistants, supply teachers and school administrators.

To be eligible, candidates must be granted admission to AUD's M.Ed. or PTC Certificate program. The discount entitles the recipient to a waiver of 25% of the tuition until graduation.

The Proof of Employment Form must be certified by a school official, submitted by the candidate and updated yearly. "Good teachers impart good education. Great teachers groom their students to become leaders. Good teachers direct us along the right path but great teachers inspire us and awaken curiosity in us and encourage us to discover our talents."

Anonymous



1st Cohort of M.Ed. Graduates Class of 2014

# **ADMISSIONS CHECKLIST**

Please make sure that the following items are included with your application, your admission will depend on the receipt of all necessary documents that are required throughout the review of your application.

- Completed Application for Graduate Admissions
- 3.00 GPA (on a 4.00 scale) in undergraduate study
- Undergraduate/Graduate Records: Official (sealed from Americanaccredited universities; e-transcripts accepted) or attested transcripts from all universities, colleges or other institutions of higher learning at which the applicant completed undergraduate and graduate studies
- Undergraduate/Graduate Diplomas

   Originals required for verification
- Equivalency Letter from the UAE Ministry of Education - Higher Education Affairs (MOE-HEA)
- Profile and/or Grading system of universities/colleges previously attended.
- Confirmation of University Records

- Two official letters of recommendation
- CV/Resumé
- Statement of career goals
- Two recent passport-size photographs
- Passport photocopy with validity page
- Photocopy of Emirates ID
- Photocopy of UAE Residency Visa
- Army Exemption Letter (for all UAE nationals)
- Academic IELTS<sup>™</sup> score of 6.5
- TOEFL<sup>®</sup> IBT score of 79-80 / TOEFL<sup>®</sup> ITP Paper-Based\*score of 550 (Accepted only from approved centers in UAE)
- GRE<sup>®</sup> or Praxis<sup>®</sup>
- Non-refundable application fee of AED 420
- Health History Form



### **Selection Criteria**

- Applicants with a minimum of two (2) years of work experience will be given preference for admission. However, preference ranking will take into account the nature, scope, length, breadth, variety and significance of the work experience
- All criteria will be assessed at the time of admission. These include: the applicant's academic background, work history, teaching experience, skills, and evidence of content knowledge. Also at this time, the Dean will determine if certain courses can be waived and substituted by alternative options



# AUD AMERICAN UNIVERSITY IN DUBAI

The Mission of the School of Education at AUD, through the Master of Education (M.Ed.) program is to provide the region with educators who are current in pedagogy, instructional technologies, and content knowledge and committed to ongoing professional learning for the benefit of all whom they serve.

## **ADMISSIONS AT AUD**

The mission of the Office of Admissions is to admit to AUD's degree programs students who possess appropriate credentials and the demonstrated capacity and potential to successfully complete the educational programs provided by the university and meaningfully participate in the total educational experience offered by AUD. The Admissions Office consists of a professional team that assists prospective students gain accessibility to opportunities in higher education. The Admissions team is held to a high level of integrity and is charged with providing quality service and accurate information to all students.

#### **AUD ADMISSIONS OFFICE**

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IN THE UAE & THE USA

AUD is officially licensed by the U.A.E. Ministry of Education – Higher Education Affairs (MOE-HEA) The Ministry has accredited the university's undergraduate and graduate programs, in addition to Certificate programs in Middle Eastern Studies and Professional Teaching. The university is also accredited in the USA by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Commission on Colleges (SACSCOC) to award Bachelor's and Master's degrees.

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