

Master of Science in Education: Individualized Focus



SHENANDOAH[®]
UNIVERSITY
Division of Education & Leadership

A Full-time, Two-Year Professional Degree Program (30 credit hours)

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Individualized Focus concentration is designed to meet the needs of students with interests inside or outside the traditional public school arena. It may include concentrations in general education theory and practice, higher education administration, or community-based learning programs. While flexible enough to adapt to individual school or teacher needs, it maintains the consistency with other Master of Science in Education programs through its core offerings. Graduates of this program could be qualified to serve as resource teachers, middle-level administrators, or generalists in the field. Teacher Licensure students are highly encouraged to dual enroll in both a licensure certificate and the MEd: Individualized Focus.

PROGRAM PREREQUISITES

- Bachelor's degree with a minimum 3.0 cumulative GPA

ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

- Graduate Application with a \$30 non-refundable application fee
- Bachelor's Degree (minimum 3.0 GPA)
- Unofficial transcripts for initial admission from all institutions of higher education previously attended.
- Current teaching license valid in any U.S. state
- Three letters of recommendation
- Essay addressing your background and educational goals (2-3 pages)
- Language Proficiency Requirement must be met. Submission of TOEFL, IELTS, PTE, or Duolingo English Test may be required. See our policy for full details: <https://www.su.edu/admissions/international-students>

CURRICULUM

The degree requirement is 30 semester hours with a grade point average of 3.0 or better.

Course	Title	Credits
Inquiry Core		
RST 671	Using Educational Measurement & Statistics	3
RST 672	Outcomes Assessments & Statistical Applications in Organization	3
EDU 585	Educational Technology Applications	3
EDU 647	Projects in Curriculum & Instruction	3
Inquiry Total		12
Concentration*	A coherent set of courses at the 500-level and above, in addition to select graduate-level courses in related fields, selected in consultation with the advisor, will meet the requirements of the individual concentration	
Concentration Total		18
Program Total		Total 30

*Individuals in Shenandoah's Initial Teacher Licensure Certificate Program may use up to 18 credit hours of their licensure program as part of the Master of Science in Individualized Focus

ADMISSION & APPLICATION

Start Term

Spring (January) 2024
Summer (May) 2024
Fall (August) 2024

Admission Deadline

Applications are reviewed on a rolling basis

Format/Location

On-campus in Winchester

How to Apply

Begin the online application process by going to www.su.edu/sehdapp

Foreign Transcripts

International transcript evaluation by an accredited agency is an admission requirement. Approved services are listed at www.naces.org and <http://aice-eval.org/>.

Transfer Credits

Only grades of "A" or "B" are transferable

A maximum of nine graduate hours may be approved by the Director

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CAMPUS LOCATIONS



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ABOUT THE DIVISION OF EDUCATION & LEADERSHIP

Shenandoah University's Division of Education & Leadership (DOEL) prepares practitioner-leaders by offering programs of study that conform to the following principles: practicing in a spirit of collaboration; thoughtful examination of the foundations, current contexts, and future possibilities of the fields of study; encouraging proactive, problem-centered philosophies of educational and professional practice; producing graduates who will be knowledge-driven, competent decision-makers whose thinking is informed by reflective practice; and preparing caring, capable, and reflective teachers, administrators, human services, and public sector practitioners.

As part of efforts to make education more accessible for educators and leaders who serve our communities, all DOEL graduate programs are offered at a [reduced tuition rate](#).

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Can this program be completed online?

Most courses are offered both online synchronous or in-person. There are student teaching in-person requirements if pairing the degree with a teaching licensure program.

How much does the program cost?

Tuition through the Division of Education and Leadership is offered at the discounted rate of \$465 per credit hour.

Can I complete this program while working full time?

Yes, all of our programs in the Division of Education & Leadership can be completed on a part-time basis, and many classes are offered in the evenings to accommodate working professionals. Most graduate students enrolled in DOEL programs also work full time.