

Master of Arts in Teaching



Rigorous academic and clinical experiences for future classroom leaders to build the professional knowledge and skills needed to benefit *all* students

At A Glance

Degree Type: Master of Arts in Teaching (M.A.T.)

Program Durations: 12-14 Months

Application Deadline for Summer 2021: January 11, 2021

The year-long Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT) program, which includes a two-semester residency in a public school with an experienced classroom teacher, prepares students for an initial teaching licensure in:

- Elementary Education
- Secondary Education in English, Mathematics, Science, or Social Studies
- Special Education

We offer two ways for entry into the MAT program:

- **Early Affiliation** (Pre-MAT) allows current UNC-Chapel Hill undergraduates to take MAT courses and apply as early as second semester of first year
- **Post-Bachelor** welcomes applicants who have earned a bachelor's degree (or who are in their final year of obtaining one) from an accredited institution

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Built on research-based best practices, the MAT program provides **early and extensive clinical experience** — opportunities to integrate theory and practice, demonstrate skills in a structured and supportive environment, and support equity efforts in schools.

Graduates leave the program as **the most effective educators** in the state and beyond. A study by the Education Policy Initiative at Carolina found that having a UNC MAT graduate in the classroom was like providing additional instruction time, especially for economically disadvantaged and minority students, and students at struggling schools — highlighting our commitment to social justice in serving marginalized and underserved populations.

Before enrolling, students can apply for the North Carolina Teaching Fellows Program; Carolina is one of five schools to offer the program.



How will you propel the world?

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