

Family & Guests

Resources

College of Education
Middle Tennessee State
University



Five Cs: 🍏 Caring 🍏 Competent 🍏 Collegial 🍏 Curious 🍏 Creative

Majors

- 🍏 Early Childhood Education
- 🍏 Elementary Education
- 🍏 Middle Level Education
- 🍏 Special Education

Those interested in teaching secondary (grades 6-12 or grades K-12) will major in that specific subject and **minor** in secondary Education. Visit www.mtsu.edu/cebsadv/forms.php and click on Secondary Education Minor to learn of Concentration Options for Secondary Education.

The College of Education at Middle Tennessee State University is a candidacy college.

To become a licensed teacher, your student must earn both a **Bachelor's Degree** and a **state teaching license**. The Bachelor's Degree is granted by the university and the state teaching license is granted by the State of Tennessee based on the recommendation of the Dean of the College of Education. Our team has high standards, and we will support your student to establish all the skills, knowledge, and dispositions to be successful in their first years as a teacher and also as they grow into a master teacher throughout their career.

College of Education Leadership Roles

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Admission to Teacher Education Requirements

Students are expected to submit their application to the Teacher Education Program during their Sophomore year.

- 2.750 Inclusive GPA
- 45 Earned Hours
- Grade of B or higher in EESE 2010 and EESE 2011
- Satisfactory Test Scores
 - ACT - 21 or higher,
 - SAT - 1080 or higher, **or**
 - *Praxis (R)* Core Academic Skills for Educators (Core) Tests
 - Reading - 156
 - Writing - 162
 - Mathematics - 150

Visit www.mtsu.edu/education/admission.php to learn about appeals



A few Degree Related Notes

Not all majors are created equal.

College of Education majors are different from other colleges on campus.

🍏 Graduate in 4?

- 120-124 Credit Hours
- Recommended 5 classes (15 credit hours) each semester
- Follow program of study/academic map recommendations
- Minors are not required

🍏 Course Program of Study (CPOS)

- Federal/State Financial Aid limitations

University & College Supports



Tutoring & Writing Center

Visit the [Office of Student Success](#) to learn about the countless resources available for both prospective and current students.

🍏 Tutoring Spot

- FREE tutoring is available in over 200 courses
- How to be a successful student sessions: how to study, take notes, study skills & learning strategies

🍏 Margaret H. Ordoubadian University Writing Center

- Individual and online [appointments](#), document drop sessions
- Tutoring
- [Online resources](#)
- [Workshops](#) and [writing groups](#)



Early Arrival Programs

MTSU Early Arrival Programs are designed to serve all students, with emphasis on the needs of first generation, underrepresented and/or underprepared students, by providing them with an introduction to college in a supportive learning environment.

🍏 Scholars Academy

Two week early arrival program for incoming first-time freshmen.

🍏 Student Transition and Academic Readiness (S.T.A.R.) Program

One week early arrival program for incoming freshmen and transfer students.

Contact Dr. Breilinda Johnson at Breilinda.Johnson@mtsu.edu for more information.



Other Success Resources

🍏 Supplemental Instruction

Peer-assisted, group study and discussion

🍏 Office of Student Success

- [Student Success Center](#)
 - [Student Success Tips](#)
 - Videos
 - Test-Taking
 - Online Study
 - Study Skills
- [Student Success Resources](#)
- [Student Success for Transfer Students](#)
- [Probation Student Success Resources \(RECOVER\)](#)
- [Information for Parents](#)
- [Ready Reference Guide](#)
- [Student Success Workshops](#)



Study Abroad

🍏 Office of Education Abroad

- Numerous options for General Education courses
- Meet with your advisor and the Office of Education Abroad as early as possible to begin planning for coursework
- Scholarships and Financial Aid

🍏 Consortium for Overseas Student Teaching (COST)

Complete your Residency experience abroad! Financial Aid and Scholarships may be available to help with funding.

Contact your advisor EARLY to start planning.

Academic Advising

Mission

The mission of the MTSU academic advising **process** is to provide a quality, student-centered environment that **promotes** intellectual growth. This **process** is dedicated to fostering a **collaborative** and **mentoring relationship** among advisors, students, and the university community. Students are encouraged to **think logically, critically,** and **creatively** in order to **assume ownership** of their lifelong educational goals. Advisors **guide** students through a variety of supportive services that **enable** them to make a successful and holistic **transition** in the MTSU and global community.

Student Expectations

- Schedule regular appointments with college advisor.
- Review major/program policies and requirements using the MTSU Undergraduate Catalog and make a list of questions and concerns.
- Clarify personal values and goals; follow through and accept responsibility for academic decisions and performance.
- Keep a record or file of your academic progress and goals and bring it to scheduled appointments.

Advisor Expectations

- Possess an understanding of university/college/program requirements in order to effectively communicate those requirements to others.
- Provide a teaching/learning environment for students to share thoughts, aspirations, concerns, and interests.
- Encourage and guide students to define and develop realistic educational goals.
- Assist students with making course selection and career-related decisions; make referrals when appropriate.



College of Education Academic Advising

Visit the website to....

- Learn who your advisor is or will be
- Schedule an advising appointment
- Access the College of Education Student Handbook
 - What is academic advising? How do I prepare for my appointment? View the Pre-Advising Checklist.
 - Email Etiquette
 - Financial Aid basics
 - "How to College" Glossary
 - College of Education majors, candidacy, applying to the Teacher Education Program
 - Satisfactory Test Scores Requirement
 - Registration
 - Academic Maps, Upper Division forms
 - Student Support Resources & Tools
- View and/or access Student Resources
 - Archived Advising Newsletters
 - Teacher Pre-Candidate Resources
 - Teacher Candidate Resources
 - Student Success
- View and/or access Student Forms
 - Upper Division Forms by Catalog Year
 - Secondary Education
 - Additional Forms