



MASTER OF ARTS *in*

ELEMENTARY EDUCATION



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BRING LEARNING TO LIFE

You're ready to turn your passion for working with children into a career that makes a difference. Western Michigan University's M.A. in Teaching: Elementary Education gives you the preparation, classroom experience and support to become a confident, effective educator. Through online coursework, a year-long clinical experience and personalized coaching from trained mentors, you'll put what you learn into practice with real students. In just 18 months, you'll deepen your understanding of how children learn, strengthen your ability to meet the needs of every student and develop the instructional, assessment and classroom leadership skills to make an impact from day one.

LEAVE READY FOR WHAT'S NEXT

9 of 10 elementary education students are employed quickly, working in their field in jobs they like.

BUILD CONFIDENCE IN THE CLASSROOM EARLY

Spend significant time in a real classroom, co-teaching with a trained mentor and receiving ongoing coaching as you build confidence and develop your own teaching practice..

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WHAT YOU'LL GAIN.

Build the preparation, support and confidence to step into your own classroom ready to lead—and keep growing as an educator once you're there.



Quality you can trust

Learn within WMU's teacher education unit, accredited by the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP), the nationally recognized accreditor for educator preparation.



Preparation that gets results

WMU-prepared teachers are consistently rated effective or highly effective by Michigan school principals, reflecting the strength of their preparation for real classrooms.



Support that continues with you

Your support doesn't have to end at graduation. Students have opportunities for full-time district placement and comprehensive induction support for three years as they begin their teaching careers.

BUILD BELONGING.

"Building a positive classroom environment isn't just about what happens inside a classroom, it's about building a classroom community without walls."

■ Tasia, elementary education alumna



Tasia Fields took her experience as an educator and built a platform around it. The WMU alumna created Great Minds TEACH Alike and hosts a podcast where educators, leaders and innovators tackle real issues in education through fresh ideas, honest conversations and what she calls "EDUtainment." Today, her work reaches beyond the classroom as she leads, consults and creates resources designed to help educators make meaningful change.



READY TO BUILD THE CLASSROOM YOU BELIEVE IN?

Use the QR code to request more information, or visit the masters in teaching elementary education program page to learn how you can build real-world experience, shape your path and move your career forward at wmich.edu/teaching/elementary/masters.