MASTER OF EDUCATION (leading to Professional Licensure)
ELEMENTARY EDUCATION (1-6)

This degree is designed to meet the Massachusetts Department of Education standards leading to professional license.

Prerequisites:
1. Bachelor’s degree from a regionally accredited college or university.
2. Initial or Professional Massachusetts license in Elementary Education. Students without the required license may work toward an Initial License and then apply up to six semester hours from the courses listed below toward the master’s degree.
3. An introductory course in Special Education
4. An introductory course in Computer Applications
5. An introductory course in Multicultural Education
6. An introductory course in Assessment.

Required Education Coursework: 15 s.h.
EDUC 0502 Instructional Practices: Materials & Classroom Procedures (Elementary and Early Childhood)
EDUC 0513 Evaluation Techniques in Education
EDUC 0629 Experiential Curriculum Development Workshop: Elementary
EDUC 0632 Research in Education
EDUC 0633 Social Cultural Theories: Foundations of Education

Academic Coursework: 18 s.h.
Reading Track: Select six of the following courses with advisor approval
EDUC 0518 Reading in the Content Area
EDUC 0509 Children’s Literature
EDUC 0530 Children’s Speaking and Listening
EDUC 0648 Diagnosis of Reading Abilities (30 hours of Field Based Experience, F.B.E.)
EDUC 0656 Remedial Reading: Methods and Materials (15 hours of F.B.E)
EDUC 0662 Innovative Practices in Teaching Reading
EDUC 0601 School Oral and Written Literacy Practices

Single Academic Area Track: 18 s.h.
Students take 18 credits of graduate coursework in one of the following areas:
- Biology
- Chemistry
- English
- General Science
- History
- Mathematics

OR
Multidisciplinary Track: 18 s.h.
Students take 18 credits of graduate coursework in any of the Single Academic Area Track or those below*
- Geography
- Reading

* Or pedagogical courses at the graduate level based on the academic discipline, developed or taught in collaboration with experts who hold at least a Master’s Degree in that discipline or who hold a full-time faculty position in that discipline in arts or sciences.

Requirements for Degree: 33s.h.
Students are required to successfully complete a written comprehensive examination to demonstrate mastery of knowledge gained in coursework and to relate concepts across the curriculum. The comprehensive exam may be taken after completing all required courses and a minimum of 27 s.h. of coursework within the Master’s program.