

Graduate Programs in Social Science Education

Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT)
Master of Arts in Education (MAED)



Western
Carolina
UNIVERSITY

Department
of History

Become a Master Teacher

Master history teachers combine a passion for the past with creativity and innovation. Students in our Advanced Licensure programs in Social Science Education hone the skills of master teachers through rigorous academic work and thorough professional development.

Our program combines seminars in history and political science with courses in educational leadership, research, and curriculum development. Students take classes on both the Cullowhee and Biltmore Park campuses, as well as online. MAT students complete a semester-long internship in the public schools, working closely with master teachers across our region and state.

Professional Opportunities

The MAT offers students who do not have an education degree the opportunity to obtain a teaching license at the initial and advanced levels. This license is recognized in over forty other states, offering maximum professional flexibility.

The MAED offers teachers with an education degree and an A-level license the opportunity to earn an advanced license. MAED students also graduate with the coursework required to teach in North Carolina's community college system.

Work in Public Schools and University Classrooms

Our students refine their skills in a variety of classrooms. They work as teaching assistants in history and education courses at WCU, positions that offer both financial assistance and professional development. They help academic and university supervisors evaluate undergraduate teaching interns, immersing themselves in the region's schools and making professional contacts in a variety of school systems.

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