## **MASTER OF EDUCATION**

#### PROGRAM PHILOSOPHY AND OBJECTIVE

The goal of La Salle University's Master of Education (M.Ed.) Program, in partnership with Regional Training Center (RTC), is to develop the teacher as a master educator in the classroom and beyond. The La Salle/RTC M.Ed. Program, offered throughout Pennsylvania, Maryland, and online, gives teachers the skills to stimulate and challenge their students to become more actively involved in the learning process, to think critically and problem-solve, to become more creative, to communicate more effectively, and to collaborate as they learn in the 21st-century classroom.

As professional educators, teachers in the La Salle/RTC M.Ed. Program focus on understanding not only what works in the teaching process but also why it works. Meaningful inquiry into the link between theory and practice is built into all of the courses in this 30-credit program which has concentration choices that allow teachers to specialize in their area of interest.

Practice-rooted instruction culminates in a project that enables the teacher to investigate an area of personal and professional interest through a reflective teaching process. Teachers in the program will apply the strategies, processes, structures, and understanding from their studies to their classrooms, emphasizing methods that work best in teaching their curriculum to reach every student. Inquiry-based coursework encourages teachers to further develop teaching concepts, skills, processes, and procedures, as well as content-area knowledge required for today's classrooms and the classrooms of the future.

The overriding goal of the La Salle/RTC Program is for teachers to maximize their students' learning while creating a classroom atmosphere that invites a high level of student accountability and participation.

#### **ACCREDITATION**

The La Salle/RTC Master of Education Program and its concentrations have been fully approved by La Salle University. It follows all graduate program evaluation and assessment processes to ensure a continuous high-quality graduate program in education. La Salle University is accredited by the Middle States Commission on Higher Education and programs are approved by the Pennsylvania Department of Education and the Maryland Higher Education Commission.

# **ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS**

Candidates are expected to complete the application process prior to completing six credits in the program.

#### Candidates must:

- hold an appropriate bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited institution with at least a 3.0 undergraduate grade point average;
- complete the online application;
- submit all official undergraduate (and any graduate) transcripts;
- provide a professional résumé; and
- provide two names of individuals that La Salle University will contact to request a letter of recommendation. If a letter is already written, send it in sealed confidential envelope.

Note: This program does not lead to teacher certification.

Candidates who would like to strengthen their application are encouraged to take the Graduate Record Examination. Candidates with a cumulative undergraduate GPA of less than a 3.0 are strongly encouraged to take the GRE. Candidates who already hold a master's degree typically would not take the GRE.

The program utilizes Regional Training Center distributed courses.

La Salle University and Regional Training Center do not discriminate according to gender, race, religion, or sexual orientation.

For application and program information, call the La Salle/RTC Graduate Program Office at 215.951.1955 or 215.991.3793, email gradRTC@lasalle.edu, or visit lasalle.edu/rtc.

For further information, call RTC at 800.433.4740, email info@theRTC.net, or visit theRTC.net.

## THE LA SALLE/RTC DIFFERENCE

- Relevant, collaborative, interactive courses
- Numerous locations
- Executive face-to-face format and online courses

# EDUCATION

A 30-CREDIT GRADUATE DEGREE PROGRAM,
OFF-CAMPUS AND ONLINE, WITH A FOCUS
ON INSTRUCTION FOR K-12 PRACTICING TEACHERS





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LASALLE.EDU/RTC

# REQUIRED CORE COURSES FOR ALL CONCENTRATIONS

(6 COURSES: 18 TOTAL CREDITS)

**EDM 535** Brain-Based Teaching and Learning

**EDM 540** Cooperative Discipline

**EDM 545** Assessment Techniques: Assessing

for Student Learning

**EDM 580** Differentiated Instruction

**EDM 585** Styles of Teaching: Personality

Type in the Classroom

**EDM 635** Reflective Practice in Teaching\*

\*THIS COURSE SHOULD BE TAKEN AFTER YOU HAVE

COMPLETED AT LEAST FIVE COURSES.



# TEACHING STRATEGIES FOR THE 21ST-CENTURY LEARNER

#### **REQUIRED CONCENTRATION COURSES**

(3 COURSES: 9 TOTAL CREDITS)

**EDM 520** Universal Design for Learning: Reaching All

Learners in the Digital Age

**EDM 555** The Kinesthetic Classroom: Teaching and

Learning Through Movement

**EDM 630** Skills for Building the Collaborative Classroom

## **ELECTIVE COURSE**

**BUILDING POSITIVE** 

(3 COURSES: 9 TOTAL CREDITS)

**EDM 565** 

**EDM 570** 

**EDM 605** 

**CLASSROOM COMMUNITIES** 

**REQUIRED CONCENTRATION COURSES** 

Classroom Success

The Bully Proof Classroom

(CHOOSE ONE 3-CREDIT COURSE BELOW OR FROM ANY RTC COURSE: 3 TOTAL CREDITS)

**EDM 530** Encouraging Skillful, Critical, and

Creative Thinking

**EDM 555** The Kinesthetic Classroom: Teaching

and Learning through Movement

Increasing Student Responsibility and Self-Discipline in Learning Communities

Motivation: The Art and Science of Inspiring

**EDM 630** Skills for Building the Collaborative Classroom

#### **ELECTIVE COURSE**

(CHOOSE ONE 3-CREDIT COURSE BELOW OR FROM ANY RTC COURSE: 3 TOTAL CREDITS)

**EDM 524** Technology with Ease: Enhancing

the Modern Classroom

**EDM 530** Encouraging Skillful, Critical, and

Creative Thinking

**EDM 620** The Kinesthetic Classroom II: Moving

Across the Standards

## THE DIFFERENTIATED CLASSROOM

#### **REQUIRED CONCENTRATION COURSES**

(3 COURSES: 9 TOTAL CREDITS)

**EDM 515** The Gendered Brain

**EDM 560** The Culturally Distinctive Classroom

**EDM 615** Strategies for ADHD, LD, and a Spectrum

of Learners

# PHYSICAL ACTIVITY (NEW FOR 2020)

**CLASSROOM WELL-BEING AND** 

#### **REQUIRED CONCENTRATION COURSES**

(3 COURSES: 9 TOTAL CREDITS)

**EDM 555** The Kinesthetic Classroom: Teaching

and Learning Through Movement

**EDM 620** The Kinesthetic Classroom II: Moving

Across the Standards

**EDM 511** Creating Health and Balance in Today's Classroom

#### **ELECTIVE COURSE**

(CHOOSE ONE 3-CREDIT COURSE BELOW OR FROM ANY RTC COURSE: 3 TOTAL CREDITS)

**EDM 530** Encouraging Skillful, Critical, and

Creative Thinking

**EDM 555** The Kinesthetic Classroom: Teaching

and Learning through Movement

**EDM 575** Skills and Strategies for Inclusion and

Disabilities Awareness

#### **ELECTIVE COURSE**

(CHOOSE ONE 3-CREDIT COURSE BELOW OR FROM ANY RTC COURSE: 3 TOTAL CREDITS)

**EDM 640** The Movement and Technology Balance:

Classroom Strategies for Student Success

**EDM 570** Motivation: The Art and Science of

Inspiring Classroom Success