



THE UNIVERSITY

ADMISSIONS AND ACADEMICS

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The teacher-preparation and school-service personnel programs, which include teacher education programs, MAT programs, the elementary and secondary principals' programs, and programs to prepare school psychologists, are accredited by the National

- To remain in regular standing and to graduate, students must maintain the minimum GPA (on a 4.00 system) required below:
 1. The MAT/MA: a minimum GPA of 3.00 in all courses for the degree and in all courses applied to the major/emphasis.
 2. The EdS: a minimum GPA of 3.20 in all post-master's courses for the degree and in all courses applied to the major/emphasis.
 3. The EdD/PhD: a minimum GPA of 3.30 in all post-master's courses (or post-specialist courses if EdS was received before admission to the doctoral program) for the degree and in all courses applied to the major/emphasis.
- Students whose cumulative GPA drops below the minimum in any given semester are placed on academic probation. Such students must work with their advisors to develop a schedule of courses that ensures raising the cumulative GPA above the required minimum in a timely manner (normally the following semester). The Graduate Programs Office must approve the plan. Students who fail to meet the terms of such a plan are asked to withdraw.
- No grade of D or F or U may count toward a degree. Courses with a grade less than a B- do not count toward the major or emphasis.
- If a student receives an unsatisfactory grade (normally a D or F), the course may be repeated once. The credits and quality points earned in the most recent course will be used to calculate the GPA. Course grades may be replaced only by grades for course work repeated on campus.
- Any student who receives a grade below B- (including U) in more than four courses in an MA program and in more than three courses (in addition to the four from the MA) in an

Those who plan to take additional graduate study should elect to write a thesis. Students who do not plan to pursue a specialist degree or a doctoral degree may substitute 3 semester credits of course work in the major area of emphasis in place of the thesis.

Students in the MAT program which requires certification endorsements must take a practicum in accordance with these guidelines:

- Students should take the practicum experience toward the end of their program after completing all required prerequisites.
- Students must submit an application to the Certification, Screening, and Petitions Committee before January 31 to be eligible to take the practicum experience the next academic year.
- The director of student teaching makes all arrangements for placement in schools.
- Students must make a pre-practicum visit to the school before placement is finalized.

Acceptance into an MA or MAT program in the School of Education does not include the option of automatic transfer to another program at a subsequent time. A student in one of the programs may be permitted to reapply for the other degree.

A student may choose to meet the requirements of any bulletin in force after acceptance into the specialist program, as long as he/she maintains active status. If a break of enrollment occurs, the student must meet the requirements of a bulletin in effect after enrollment resumes.

T a D P a

Acceptance into a specialist program in the School of Education does not include the option of automatic transfer to another specialist program at a subsequent time. A student in one of the specialist programs may be permitted to reapply for the other program up to the last day of the second semester. On such application for transfer, advisors reevaluate the current program of the student and make adjustments for the new requirements. Following that reevaluation, those courses which are relevant to the second degree may be transferred.

Students already accepted into a doctoral program who wish to transfer to the specialist degree program in the same department are transferred by a petition which is approved by the department chair and the Graduate Programs Office. The student must follow the current bulletin and submit a new Statement of Purpose and may be required to submit new recommendations. After receiving the specialist degree, the student may return to the doctoral program by either of the following two options:

1. By petition with all previous doctoral requirements (course plan, time limits, etc.) in effect.
2. By application to the Graduate Educational Programs Committee with all new requirements.

P T E S D P a

Normally, during the first semester the student and advisor work out a proposed course plan to complete degree requirements. This is submitted to the Graduate Programs Office.

Students must file an *Application for Advancement to Degree Candidacy*

- A minimum of 32 credits in approved on-campus doctoral course work (not including the dissertation) must be completed after acceptance into the doctoral program at Andrews University. *A minimum of 24 credits is required for students with an EdS degree from another institution and a minimum of 16 credits for students with an AU EdS degree.*
- Students must have a 3.30 cumulative GPA for all course work included in the degree program; a 3.30 GPA must be maintained in all post-master's course work (or post-specialist if a specialist degree was received before admission to the doctoral program) included in the degree program, and a 3.00 GPA overall in graduate work taken at Andrews University.
- Students must take the following educational foundations courses:
EDFN500 Phil Foundations of Education & Psychology—3
and one course from two of the following areas:
Psychological
EDPC514 Psychology of Learning—2-3
EDPC520 Psychological Development—The Life Span—2-3
EDPC615 Advanced Human Development—3
EDPC625 Biopsychology—3
EDPC626 Cognitive Psychology—3
Sociological
EDFN689 Seminar in Foundations—2-3
Theological
EDFN688 Integration of Faith and Learning—1-2
- Students must follow specific program requirements in the

A written comprehensive examination is scheduled for specific dates each semester as noted in the academic calendar. Normally the *Application for the Comprehensive Examination* form and the *Application for Advancement to Degree Candidacy* form are filed together during the semester prior to the comprehensive examination. All course work and the comprehensive examination must be completed within six years of initial registration for Andrews University
