



Want to teach? Initial Certification at a Glance

Got Passion?

Make a difference in a disconnected generation by becoming a teacher: Respond to a call to be moved with compassion. Your compassion can begin to re-connect the new generation of students with the values and family based systems that have been lost in our technical generation where that "personal touch" has become scattered.

What We Have

Two Certification Degrees with Field Experience and an Internship

- Master of Science in Childhood Education—Grades 1-6
- Master of Science in Childhood Special Education—Grades 1-6
- Both prepare you for initial certification as well as meeting the master's degree requirement toward professional certification

Convenience

- Two campus locations—Manhattan and Rockland County
- Modular Course Schedule—Five-week courses that meet two nights a week for four hours, and coursework is completed in 16-18 months (plus an internship after coursework is done).

Financial Aid and Institutional Grants

- Available for students based on eligibility and course load. Tuition is \$600 per credit. Students should submit a FAFSA to determine eligibility for aid.

What You Need

For NY State Certification (Initial Certificate valid 5 years)

- Completion of an approved teacher preparation program (that's where we come in!)
- Passing scores on the NY certification exams [Liberal Arts & Sciences Test, Assessment of Teaching Skills--Written, and Content Specialty Test(s)]

For Admission to Nyack College School of Education

- Completed application and \$30 non-refundable application fee
- Undergraduate degree with at least 30 cr. in the same liberal arts & a 3.0 GPA

- Official transcripts from each college/university attended, including proof of graduation
- Recommendations
- Interview and writing sample with the Graduate Education Office
- Physician completed immunization form
- Completed financial aid application

Then, once you are accepted, register and pay your tuition deposit.

1-800-UR-NYACK admissions.mse@nyack.edu www.nyack.edu

Course Locations

- NYC Campus – 361 Broadway, New York, NY 10013
- Rockland Campus – 1 South Blvd., Nyack NY, 10960

Professionalism

- Nyack College is
- chartered by the Board of Regents of the University of the State of NY
 - accredited by Middle States Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools

The School of Education is

- accredited by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education

The Master's in Education curricula are

- approved programs under the provisions and regulations of NYS
- standards driven and fulfill the provisions and regulations of the Commissioner of Education and the Specialized Professional Agencies (SPA) for each of the programs offered

Purpose

The conceptual framework is organized around four strands of competence for teacher candidates:

- Service — understanding the impact of culture;
- Academics — acquisition of a knowledge base;
- Leadership — a vision for improvement; and
- Teaching — development of pedagogical skills

The acronym of S.A.L.T. provides an overarching concept. A biblical perspective based on "You are the salt of the earth..." (Matthew 5:13) and the belief that candidates and professional faculty in the School of Education strive to become, by God's grace, individuals who reflect the properties of salt. They are to become the preservative of hope and encouragement to others. Candidates and professional faculty in the School of Education are to season and enrich the lives of others.

