

MASTER OF ARTS IN TEACHING (MAT)



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The Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT) program will equip you with the theories, principles and skills you need to make a meaningful difference for students in urban K-12 schools. USC Rossier's rigorous program allows you to simultaneously finish your master's degree and complete the requirements to be recommended for a preliminary teaching credential. Additionally, you have the option to add a California Education Specialist credential and/or California Bilingual Authorization for Spanish to your degree program with no additional required units (additional exams and student teaching required) or a Gifted Education Certificate with the addition of one course. Our emphasis on high-needs schools will prepare you to leave the program ready to address complex pedagogical and social issues in any educational setting.

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MINIMUM MONTHS TO COMPLETE

Through the MAT program, you will gain:

- Hands-on experience teaching in a classroom
- Mentorship from a guiding teacher
- Mastery applying theories and instructional methods
- Technological literacy to leverage new media in curriculum design and learning assessment.

HANDS-ON TEACHING EXPERIENCE

The MAT program integrates fieldwork with coursework. You will gain invaluable practical experience applying theories and instructional methods in a local urban or high-needs classroom under the mentorship of an experienced guiding teacher.

CREDENTIAL TRACKS

- Multiple Subjects (Elementary)
- Single Subject English (Secondary)
- Single Subject Math (Secondary)
- Single Subject Science (Secondary)
- Single Subject Social Science (Secondary)

SUPPLEMENTARY CERTIFICATIONS

- California Education Specialist Credential*
- California Bilingual Authorization in Spanish*
- Gifted Education Certificate**
- * additional exams and student teaching required
- ** 4 additional units required during the summer session

OF USC ROSSIER MAT GRADUATES WORK IN HIGH-NEEDS SCHOOLS.



- Introduction to Curriculum and Pedagogy in Urban Schools
- Contexts for Educational Equity, Access, and Agency
- Integrated Language Development across the Curriculum
- Blended Learning Experiences for Students in Urban Schools
- Identifying and Teaching to Student Differences
- Literacy Development and Instruction
- Applying Knowledge and Strategies for Teaching All Students

TUITION

Tuition for 2020-21 is \$1,995 per unit.

SCHOLARSHIP SUPPORT

Scholarships ranging from \$10,000 to \$30,000 are awarded to exemplary applicants. Recipients are selected based on academic achievement, demonstrated dedication to advancing educational equity and other distinguishing characteristics. Applicants who complete an application by rounds one or two will receive primary consideration.

APPLICATION CHECKLIST

- Online application
- Transcripts for application review from each postsecondary institution attended
- Official transcripts from each postsecondary institution attended
- Résumé/CV
- Personal statement
- Short-answer response
- Proof of passage for CBEST OR satisfaction of basic skills requirement
- Two letters of recommendation
- International applicants only: TOEFL or IELTS scores
- \$90 nonrefundable application fee

APPLICATION DEADLINES

	APPLICATION DEADLINE	NOTIFICATION DATE
Round 1*	November 1, 2020	January 8, 2021
Round 2*	January 15, 2021	February 26, 2021
Round 3	March 15, 2021	April 19, 2021

^{*}scholarship priority deadlines

What sets the USC Rossier MAT program apart?

ACCELERATED CAREER TRACK: Complete your master's degree and preliminary teaching credential requirements simultaneously, establishing expertise as a qualified and knowledgeable teacher-leader.

ADDITIONAL CREDENTIALS INTEGRATED IN THE CURRICULUM:

Gain increased competitiveness by completing the educational requirements for the California Education Specialist and California Bilingual Authorization in Spanish credentials without the addition of any additional units.

EMPHASIS ON HIGH-NEEDS SCHOOLS: Prepare to effectively address complex pedagogical and social issues in any educational setting.

EXPERIENCED FACULTY: Learn from a team of leading professors who are all former teachers. USC Rossier faculty are dedicated to supporting your growth and sharing the wealth of practical experience and insights they have gleaned from years in the classroom.

UNPARALLELED NETWORK: Join USC's renowned Trojan alumni network, which includes thousands of MAT graduates from 50 states and 37 countries, as well as superintendents and K-12 administrators.

PARTNERSHIP WITH LAUSD: Benefit from a range of fieldwork and job opportunities as well as the diversity of classroom experiences available through USC Rossier's collaboration with the Los Angeles Unified School District, the nation's second largest district.

YOUR MISSION AND OUR MISSION ALIGNED

The USC Rossier School of Education prepares leaders to advance educational equity in urban settings and beyond. Ranked as one of the nation's premier education schools by *U.S. News and World Report*, USC Rossier draws on innovative thinking and collaborative research to improve learning opportunities and outcomes, address disparities, challenge inequitable systems of power and solve the most intractable problems in education.

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