ED.M. PROGRAM IN LANGUAGE EDUCATION ONLINE

I. PROGRAM DESCRIPTION: The Ed.M. program in language education is designed to extend and diversify the professional preparation of certified teachers who seek to enhance their instructional skills and knowledge. The program also serves the needs of individuals who work in settings that do not require certification and are interested in a scholarly exploration of aspects of language education. The goal of the program is to provide students with a thorough understanding of the nature of language, the process of second language acquisition, the relationship between language and culture, and successful models of second language instructional strategies.

(Note: this is a non-certification Ed.M. program. If certification is needed, see the descriptions for the Ed.M. program with initial certification, Ed.M. endorsement program, and/or non-degree endorsement program.)

The program requires a minimum of 30 credits of study (no transfer credits permitted) taken online beyond the baccalaureate degree. It provides for study in the area of linguistics, language pedagogy, and the cultural context of language education, as well as the opportunity to select courses in elective areas in agreement with an academic advisor. At the end of the coursework, students must pass a comprehensive examination.

II. APPLICATION DEADLINES:
Fall admission - July 1 deadline
Spring admission - November 1 deadline

III. APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS: To be considered for admission to the program, applicants must provide the following before the deadline:
1. Personal statement written in English
2. Writing sample written in English (preferably an academic paper)
3. Three letters of recommendation (preferably from faculty)
4. Undergraduate and graduate transcripts (a strong preference is given to applicants with a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or higher)

IV. HOW TO APPLY: Applications are submitted online at the Graduate Admissions website:
http://gradstudy.rutgers.edu/
1. Click on “Apply Now” and follow the instructions given.
2. Choose "Degree Application", for Application Type.
3. For Program Name choose "Education: Language" from the drop down menu.
4. Across from “Education: Language - Online 15253O”, click the link for the semester you want to apply for.
5. Complete the application by providing the requested information.
6. Supporting materials must be submitted online or mailed to the Graduate Admissions office at Office of Graduate and Professional Admissions (New Brunswick), Rutgers, The State University of New Jersey, 56 Bevier Road, ASB Annex I, Piscataway, NJ 08854, U.S.A.
7. Enter payment information for the non-refundable application fee.
8. Submit your application and authorize payment for the non-refundable application fee.
V. PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS:

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*Course must be 300-level or above to count towards graduate credits. 300- and 400-level courses must be registered for with a **G**-prefix.

* This course has a field experience component. For those in online programs, field placements will be determined in conjunction with your instructor.

** This course requires a fieldwork component when not taken concurrently with 15:253:511. For those in online programs, field placements will be determined in conjunction with your instructor.

VI. COMPREHENSIVE EXAMINATION: Master’s students are required to take a comprehensive examination that is offered twice a year - once in the fall and once in the spring. Students are responsible for checking the deadline for exam registration with their academic advisor and submitting the necessary forms to their advisor for approval. These documents include a completed comprehensive exam registration form and a recent transcript showing the completion of all required core courses and no incompletes.

The comprehensive examination consists of three sections: the cultural context of language education, language pedagogy, and language theory. Information on study questions and study groups are available in the Learning & Teaching Department.

VII. PROGRAM FACULTY:

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