ED.M. PROGRAM IN LANGUAGE EDUCATION ONLINE
Revised April, 2020

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 – May 1 deadline
Spring admission – December 1 deadline
Summer admission – May 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. Official undergraduate 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 “Create Account or Login” and follow the instructions given.
2. Under “Start an application today!”, click Apply Now
   Application Selection
3. For “Level of Application”, select Graduate
4. For “Applicant Type”, select Degree
5. Continue filling out the application, following the on-screen instructions.
   Program of Study
6. Under “Program Information”, make sure Degree is selected for “Applicant Type”
7. For “Degree Type”, select Master’s (e.g. MA, MS, EdM, MFA)
8. For “Area of Study”, select Education
9. For “Location/Instructional Method”, select Online
10. For “Program Selection”, select Education - Language (EDM) Online
11. Complete the rest of the application by providing the requested information.
12. Enter payment information for the non-refundable application fee.
13. Submit your application.
### V. PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS:

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Electives Grad Level Course selection must be approved by advisor** **

* This course may have a clinical assignment requiring participation in a school setting. For those in online programs, clinical placements will be determined in conjunction with your instructor.

** Students may choose to select courses towards an additional endorsement.

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### 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.