Job-Embedded Frequently Asked Questions

1. Which endorsements does MTSU offer for the Job-Embedded Practitioner License?

Secondary 6-12 and K-12, ESL, Library Information Specialist, and School Counselor		Early Childhood, Elementary, Middle Grades, and Special Education	
Endorsement	Endorsement Code	Endorsement	Endorsement Code
Agricultural Education 6-12	150	Integrated Early Childhood Education PreK-3	2001
Biology 6-12	126	Elementary Education K-5	120
Chemistry 6-12	127	Middle Grades Language Arts 6-8	121
Earth Science 6-12	128	Middle Grades Mathematics 6-8	122
English 6-12	159	Middle Grades Science 6-8	123
English as a Second Language PreK- 12	490	Middle Grades Social Studies 6-8	124
Family and Consumer Science 6-12	154	Special Education Comprehensive K-12	460
French 6-12	163	Special Education Interventionist K-8	144
Geography 6-12	131	Special Education Interventionist 6-12	145
German 6-12	164		
Government 6-12	132		
History 6-12	133		
Library Information Specialist PreK-12	473		
Mathematics 6-12	125		
Music – Vocal/General K-12	428		
Music – Instrumental/General K-12	429		
Physical Education K-12	420		
Physics 6-12	129		
School Counselor PreK-12	487		
Spanish 6-12	169		
Theatre K-12	405		
Visual Arts K-12	427		

2. Is there a master's degree option?

MTSU offers multiple master's degree programs that lead to licensure. Please refer to the Pathways to Learning and/or Licensure website. <u>https://education.mtsu.edu/pathways/</u>

3. Does MTSU offer online licensure programs?

Many programs offer some coursework online, and two programs are fully online. Those that are not fully online yet are in the process of increasing their online options. Please contact the program coordinator for specific details.

4. Who do I contact for questions about the coursework?

Program	Program Coordinator	Email	Phone Number
Integrated Early Childhood Education PreK-3	Dr. Pam Kramer Ertel	Pam.Ertel@mtsu.edu	615-898-2146
Elementary Education K-5, English as a Second Language PreK-12, or Secondary 6-12 and K-12 Education	Dr. Tracey Huddleston	Tracey.Huddleston@mtsu.edu	615-898-5500
Library Science K-12	Dr. Holly Hebert	Holly.Hebert@mtsu.edu	615-898-5378
Middle Grades 6-8	Dr. Jeremy Winters	Jeremy.Winters@mtsu.edu	615-494-7729
School Counseling PreK-12	Dr. Robin Lee	Robin.Lee@mtsu.edu	615-898-2304
Special Education: Interventionist K-8, Interventionist 6-12, or Comprehensive K-12	Dr. Alicia Pence	Alicia.Pence@mtsu.edu	615-904-8034

5. How much does the program cost?

The cost varies depending on whether you pursue a degree or licensure only. The number of courses required for licensure-only programs is determined by a transcript analysis. Please see the What Does It Cost? website for MTSU rates and fees. <u>https://www.mtsu.edu/tuition/</u>

6. How do I qualify for financial aid?

Please visit the MT One Stop website for information on financial aid. https://www.mtsu.edu/one-stop/

7. What financial aid is available specifically for MTSU College of Education students?

The Scholarships and Emergency Assistance website provides financial aid opportunities for College of Education students. <u>https://education.mtsu.edu/scholarships/</u>

8. How long does it take to complete the program?

The time it takes to complete the program varies based on the number of required courses. Along with all courses and assessments for licensure, job-embedded educators must also have 10 months of teaching experience to successfully complete program requirements before the license expires.

9. Is the job-embedded practitioner license a temporary license? How long is it valid?

The job-embedded practitioner license is not temporary. A practitioner license is a full license in the State of Tennessee. It is valid for three years.

10. Is a passing content knowledge assessment score (Praxis, NES, ALTA) required to be eligible for the program?

It depends on the endorsement you need for the position and your degree major.

Integrated Early Childhood PreK-3, Elementary K-5, Special Education (Comprehensive and Interventionist), Library Information Specialist, and School Counselor all require a content knowledge assessment score, regardless of degree major.

Some middle grades and secondary endorsements do not require content assessments when the applicant has a major in the endorsement content area. Praxis requirements will be verified at the time of application.

11. Can I teach in a non-public school?

In some cases, it is possible to teach in a non-public school on the job-embedded practitioner license if certain criteria are met. School eligibility must be verified by our office.

12. How do I apply for the job-embedded program?

Please review the **Program Entry Requirements** document on the Teacher Licensure website. <u>https://education.mtsu.edu/licensure/</u> Scroll down to the heading **Job-Embedded Practitioner License**, and click on it to expand the section.

13. What if I do not currently meet the GPA requirement?

To be admitted to the Teacher Education Program, you must have a minimum overall GPA of 2.75 from a completed baccalaureate or post-baccalaureate degree program or a GPA of 3.00 in the most recent sixty (60) credit hours earned at an appropriately accredited institution of higher learning.

Please refer to the Appeal Process for Teacher Education website if you do not meet those criteria. <u>https://education.mtsu.edu/appealprocess/</u> Click on **GPA Appeal**, then scroll down to **Graduate/post-baccalaureate**.

14. My question wasn't answered in the FAQs. Who do I contact for more information?

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