

MTSU Job-Embedded Licensure Program
Frequently Asked Questions

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

Secondary 6-12	
Endorsement	Endorsement Code
Agricultural Education 6-12	150
Biology 6-12	126
Chemistry 6-12	127
Earth Science 6-12	128
English 6-12	159
Family and Consumer Science 6-12	154
French 6-12	163
Geography 6-12	131
German 6-12	164
Government 6-12	132
History 6-12	133
Mathematics 6-12	125
Physics 6-12	129
Spanish 6-12	169

Special Education	
Special Education Comprehensive K-12	460
Special Education Interventionist K-8	144
Special Education Interventionist 6-12	145

Early Childhood, Elementary, Middle Grades	
Endorsement	Endorsement Code
Integrated Early Childhood Education PreK-3	2001
Elementary Education K-5	120
Middle Grades Language Arts 6-8	121
Middle Grades Mathematics 6-8	122
Middle Grades Science 6-8	123
Middle Grades Social Studies 6-8	124

PreK -12 & K-12 - ESL, Library Information Specialist, and School Counselor	
English as a Second Language PreK- 12	490
Library Information Specialist PreK-12	473
Music – Vocal General K-12	428
Music – Instrumental/General K-12	429
Physical Education	420
School Counselor PreK-12	487
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 website for additional details: <https://education.mtsu.edu/pathways/>

3. Does MTSU offer online licensure programs?

Many programs offer some coursework online. Two programs, English as a Second Language PreK-12 and Library Science K-12, are fully online. Integrated Early Childhood Education PreK-3 is an on-ground program with some online components. Those programs 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 specific questions about the program?

Program	Program Coordinator	Email	Phone Number
Integrated Early Childhood Education PreK-3	Dr. Pam Kramer Ertel	Pam.Ertel@mtsu.edu	615-898-2146
<u>Master's Degree</u> 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
<u>Licensure Only</u> Elementary Education K-5, Middle Grades 6-8, or Secondary 6-12 and K-12 Education	Dr. Jeremy Winters	Jeremy.Winters@mtsu.edu	615-494-7729
<u>Licensure Only</u> English as a Second Language PreK-12	Dr. Dorothy Craig	Dorothy.Craig@mtsu.edu	615-898-2332
Library Science K-12	Dr. Holly Hebert	Holly.Hebert@mtsu.edu	615-898-5378
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. <https://www.mtsu.edu/tuition/>

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. <https://education.mtsu.edu/scholarships/>

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. The 10 months of experience must occur within the same school year, fall to spring.

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

The practitioner license is a full license in the State of Tennessee. The First Issuance Practitioner License issued to job-embedded candidates 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. Assessment 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 the Office of Educator Preparation and Licensure.

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

Please review the **Program Entry Requirements** document on the Teacher Licensure website.

<https://education.mtsu.edu/licensure/> 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.

<https://education.mtsu.edu/appealprocess/> 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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