



ARTICULATION AGREEMENT

AUGSBURG/UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA – DULUTH SPE TRIBAL COHORT

MASTER OF ARTS IN EDUCATION

Introduction

The purpose of this agreement is to facilitate entry of Special Education Tribal Cohort students from the University of Minnesota –Duluth into the Augsburg MAE degree completion program. This agreement is in effect for UMD students who participate in the Special Education Tribal Cohort licensure program offered jointly by Augsburg and UMD. The agreement extends only to UMD students who are part of this jointly offered special education licensure program. At this point, new cohorts are recruited to begin once every two years and complete the licensure program in that time frame. Should Augsburg no longer participate in offering the licensure program, this agreement is ended.

MAE Degree Completion Program

All students in the Special Education Tribal Cohort licensure program – Augsburg and UMD – need 9.0 Augsburg course credits to complete the MAE degree. Typically, they will bring a maximum of 5.0 licensure course credits into the degree completion program and take 4.0 additional course credits to complete the degree. The additional courses are as follows:

- EDC 570 Teacher Leadership
- Master of Arts in Leadership (ML) elective.
- EDC 592/593 Action Research 1 and 2

If students have only 4.0 licensure courses that can be applied toward the degree, 2.0 ML electives are required. Students with fewer than 4.0 licensure courses to apply towards the degree are not eligible for the degree completion program. Students must maintain a 3.0 or better GPA to complete the degree. No courses graded below 2.5 during the degree completion phase can be applied toward the degree. No more than two courses graded 2.5 can be applied to the degree and they can be applied only if the cumulative GPA remains at 3.0 or better. Students have seven years to complete the degree once admitted to the degree completion program. Normally, they will apply to Augsburg within one year of completing the licensure courses. See the graduate catalog for further information.

Courses Eligible for Transfer into the MAE Degree Completion Program

A maximum of five UMD graduate (5000 level) courses (each 4 semester credits at UMD) can be applied to the MAE degree completion program. UMD courses eligible to be applied to the MAE degree completion program are drawn from this list:

- OjEd 5310 American Indians and Special Education (Augsburg equivalent SPE 502)
- OjEd 5320 Assessment of American Indian Learners (Augsburg equivalent SPE 503)
- OjEd 5330 Working with American Indian Families and Communities (Augsburg equivalent SPE 504)
- OjEd 5340 Manifestation of Multi-Generational Trauma and Internalized Oppression (Augsburg equivalent SPE 505)
- OjEd 5350 Indigenous Learners (Augsburg equivalent SPE 506)
- OjEd 5360 Indigenous Methods of Instruction: Practical Application (Augsburg equivalent SPE 507)
- OjEd Literacy for Indigenous Learners (Augsburg equivalent SPE 509)

Undergraduate (4000 level) courses cannot be accepted into the MAE degree completion program. Courses must have a grade of 3.0 (B) or better to be accepted into the MAE degree completion program. Grades and grade points are not transferred to the Augsburg record. Courses accepted in transfer from UMD will be posted on their graduate transcript.

Admission Guidelines

UMD students may apply to Augsburg's MAE degree completion program under the following terms:

- The UMD students seeking to transfer into the MAE program participated in a jointly offered SPE tribal cohort program and took courses at the graduate level. It does not apply if Augsburg and UMD did not offer the licensure courses jointly or if courses were taken at the undergraduate level.
- UMD students have a baccalaureate degree and entered the SPE Tribal Cohort program at the post-baccalaureate level.
- UMD students have a cumulative GPA in the licensure courses of 3.0 or better. All courses accepted into the degree completion program have a minimum grade of 3.0.
- UMD students understand that courses in the degree completion program are generally offered in Minneapolis at the main Augsburg campus. On occasion degree completion courses may be offered on-line, but that is not a guaranteed delivery method. The first attempt to offer a fully on-line action research degree completion option will begin Spring trimester 2012. This offering is dependent on sufficient enrollment.
- UMD students understand that all expenses incurred to attend and complete the degree completion courses are their responsibility and grants or subsidies provided by UMD do not follow them into Augsburg's degree completion program.

To apply for the MAE degree completion program, UMD Special Education Tribal Cohort students should complete the MAE application process, including submitting an application form to the Graduate Admissions Office and transcripts documenting the undergraduate degree and course work completed at UMD as part of the tribal cohort. Instead of an essay, these students should include verification from UMD that they are part of the cohort and have good standing at UMD. Application files will be processed through regular means. The application fee will be waived.

Financial Information

The cost of degree completion courses is determined by the cost of graduate level Master of Arts in Education course work at the Minneapolis Campus. See the Enrollment Center web site for current tuition rates. Students can apply for financial aid through Augsburg.

Course Schedule – Courses will be offered if there is sufficient enrollment. Courses will be available on-line.

Spring 2012 – EDC 570 Teacher Leadership

Summer 2012 – Master of Arts in Leadership elective (TBD)

Fall 2012 – EDC 592 Action Research 1

Winter 2013 – EDC 593 Action Research 2

June 2013 – first possible option of presenting at an Action Research Symposium (required; typically face to face in Minneapolis)

Apply on-line at <https://www.augsburg.edu/apply/commonapp/appform.php?program=MAE>

For more information contact: Graduate Admissions Office, Nancy Shaeffer (612) 330-1520