High school is an important time as students begin to think of their future plans and heading to post-secondary education. These crucial years guide students to make the life choices they need to be successful.

Personal success in one career can lead to a desire to seek out a new career that makes a difference in the lives of others. Many career changes find great fulfillment as teachers. No other profession can so fully empower you to directly and immediately impact of our young people and our communities.

Those who have a bachelor’s degree in any area may be eligible to earn Missouri Teacher Certification at the UMSL College of Education through our innovative accelerated Teach in 12 programs.

**WHAT TO EXPECT**

**COURSES**

- TchEd 5310 Instructional Design
- TchEd 5880 Writing in the Content Areas
- TchEd 5000 Experiencing the Classroom
- Methods Course (specific to your content area)
- TchEd 5311 Foundation of Education
- Ed Psy 6030 Instruction, Learning, and Assessment
- EdPsy 6222 Advanced Studies in Child and Adolescent Development
- TchEd 5312 Teaching Reading in the Content Areas
- TchEd 5001 Advanced Mid-Level Clinical Experience
- SpcEd 6412 Psychology of Exceptional Children
- SecEd 5989 Practicum I: Site Based Experience
- SecEd 5990 Practicum II: Site-Based Experienced

**MISSOURI EDUCATOR GATEWAY ASSESSMENTS (MEGA)**

- Missouri Content Assessment (MCA)
- Missouri Educator Profile (MEP)
- Missouri Pre-Service Teacher Assessment (MOPTA)

**CLINICAL EXPERIENCES**

- On site teaching in an early clinical experience
- 20 clock hours working in a community agency
- Two site-based practicum courses immersed in a Studio School
- Practicum I: One day per week working in a Studio School
- Practicum II: Five days per week working in a Studio School

**UNIQUE RESOURCES AND INNOVATIONS**

- Grand Seminars and Collaborative Exchanges throughout the practicum experiences

• Applicants for any post-baccalaureate certification program must already hold a bachelor’s degree with a minimum 2.75 cumulative GPA.
• Any teacher candidate aspiring to enter the Teach in 12 accelerated path must first past the Missouri Content Assessment appropriate to his or her area of certification.
• The accelerated path requires intensive study, immersive experiences, and large investments of time and effort. Candidates who enter the Teach in 12 pathway will be unable to maintain concurrent professional commitments.

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