

# **Early Childhood Special Education (MA):**

Prepares students to implement research-based teaching methods for early childhood (ages 0-8) and special education. This program meets the licensure requirements of the Colorado Department of Education for practice as an Early Childhood Special Education teacher. For more information about this program, please visit our website at <a href="https://www.morgridge.du.edu.">www.morgridge.du.edu.</a>

# **Application Deadlines for Fall 2022**

Priority 1 Deadline: December 1, 2021 Priority 2 Deadline: January 14, 2022

\*Applications will continue to be accepted on a space availability basis\*

# PREREQUISITE REQUIREMENTS

□ You must have graduated with a bachelor's degree from an accredited university prior to beginning the program.

# **APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS**

All items listed below must be completed and included as part of your application. The Admissions Committee will not review incomplete applications.

Online Application for Graduate Admission Statement of Professional Goals Statement of Equity, Diversity, and Social Justice Current Vita/Resume One (1) transcript from each college/university where at least 1 credit has been earned, sent directly to the Office of Graduate Admissions. This can be an unofficial copy; however, if admitted you must submit an official copy from each college/university by the *first day of classes*. This may include transcripts from community colleges, study abroad experiences, transfer institutions, non-degree coursework, and military transcripts. 1 Letter of Recommendation (uploaded by recommender) \$65 Application Fee 

If you have any questions, please email  $\underline{mce@du.edu}$ .

## ONLINE APPLICATION

# The University of Denver (DU) Application is submitted electronically.

• The online application is available at: gradadmissions.du.edu/apply

### **APPLICATION MANAGEMENT**

- Create an account to start a new application.
  - O Please make note of your login information, as you will use this to track your application status.
- Click "Start New Application"
- Select an application type: "All Available Start Terms," then "Degrees and Certificates"
- Click "Create Application"

### **PERSONAL BACKGROUND**

• Please complete all required areas.

# **IMMIGRATION AND VISA INFORMATION**

• Please complete all required areas, if applicable.

# **PROGRAM INFORMATION**

College or School: Morgridge College of Education

Area of Study: Early Childhood Special Education

• **Select a Program**: Early Childhood Special Education, Master of Arts

• Start Date: Fall Quarter 2022 (September)

Please answer the required questions within this section.

## MORGRIDGE COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

You will be prompted to upload your written statements and resume.

### STATEMENT OF PROFESSIONAL GOALS

Please discuss the following in your 2-3 page, typed, and double-spaced statement:

- Personal, educational, and employment experiences that have shaped your desire for advanced study.
- Professional objectives and how you arrived at them.
- What you hope to obtain from your chosen concentration and how you intend to apply it professionally.
- Note: if there is a specific faculty member with whom you would like to work, based on your research interests, please mention, and discuss in this statement.

Upload this document under "Personal Statement."

# STATEMENT OF EQUITY, DIVERSITY, AND SOCIAL JUSTICE

Please discuss the following in your 1-2 page, typed, and double-spaced statement:

- Respond to the following question: "How does equity, diversity, and social justice shape an issue in special education that is of interest to you?" and include the following:
  - Any concerns and opportunities for equity, diversity, and social justice within your issue of interest
  - Any personal, academic, and/or professional experiences that have shaped your understanding and commitment to equity, diversity, and social justice in special education.

# **CURRENT RESUME/CV**

Please detail educational, professional, and volunteer experiences within your resume/CV.

# **FINANCIAL AID**

• We encourage you to complete the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) by the February 15<sup>th</sup> priority deadline.

# **ACADEMIC RECORD**

Please provide complete details for all academic certificates and degrees received.

#### **TRANSCRIPTS**

- You will be required to submit one (1) copy of unofficial or official transcripts from all colleges/universities attended.
- Unofficial transcripts can be uploaded to your application as a scanned copy or a downloaded version of your transcripts in PDF format from every college or university where you have attempted *or* received college credit. Transcripts must include:
  - Student name
  - Institution name
  - Dates of attendance
  - Course names, numbers, credits, and grades received
  - Degree title and conferral date, if applicable
- Upon admission to the program, each applicant must provide one (1) copy of official transcripts (signed and sealed) from all colleges/universities attended to the following address:

University of Denver Office of Graduate Admissions Mary Reed Building, Room 5 2199 S. University Blvd Denver, CO 80208-4802

If transcripts are sent electronically via Parchment or Ellucian, please have them sent them to <a href="mailto:gradinfo@du.edu">gradinfo@du.edu</a>.

# **ENGLISH LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY**

• Please complete all required areas, if applicable.

## **TEST SCORES**

• The GRE is **NOT** required.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

• One (1) letter of recommendation is required. Letters should be submitted by recommenders through the online application.

## REQUIRED SUPPLEMENTAL INFORMATION

• Please answer the required questions in this section.

## **SIGNATURE AND REVIEW**

• Please electronically sign your name, and review the information included within your application. Click Submit.

## **APPLICATION PAYMENT**

- Pay your \$65 application fee.
  - McNair Scholars may request an application fee waiver by submitting proof to gradinfo@du.edu.

### **NEXT STEPS IN THE ADMISSIONS PROCESS**

To view outstanding documents (i.e., letters of recommendation, transcripts, etc.) and admission decisions, please check your Application Status Page by logging in with your email address and password.

After reviewing your application and all supplemental documents, the Morgridge College of Education will invite qualified applicants to participate in an academic interview. If selected, you will be notified via email. \*

\*Please ensure that the email address you provided within your application is one that you check frequently.

## REQUIREMENTS FOR INTERNATIONAL APPLICANTS

International applicants, or applicants who do not hold a degree from an institution where English was the primary language of instruction, you may be required to provide additional application requirements, which are outlined below:

- Proof of English Proficiency by submitting passing TOEFL, IELTS, or CAE scores
  - Minimum TOEFL Score: 80 (iBT) or 550 (paper-based)
  - Minimum IELTS Score: 6.5
  - Minimum CAE Score: 169
  - For information about exceptions, please view the Admission Requirements for International Applicants webpage
    www.du.edu/admission-aid/graduate/international/admission-requirements

It is strongly encouraged that you submit all application materials at least 14 business days in advance of a priority deadline to allow enough time for your application to be evaluated by the Office of International Admission.

If admitted, you will be required to submit additional documents to complete the internationalization process to receive your visa. Please refer to International Student & Scholar Services for information and questions about this process at <a href="https://www.du.edu/isss">www.du.edu/isss</a>.