"I’ve always wanted to be a teacher..."

This is a comment we hear a lot from candidates in our graduate education programs. At Simpson College, we understand it is a big undertaking to switch to a new career. But we also know helping you achieve your goal of becoming a teacher is what it’s all about. Our faculty and staff will be with you to make sure that you turn an opportunity to change your life into the chance to change the lives of the students in your classroom.

Visit www.simpson.edu/mat for more information!

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APPLICATION PROCESS
1. Complete Application for Graduate Study
2. Send in Official Transcripts
3. Provide Letters of Recommendation
4. Interview with the Academic Advisor

CAMPUS LOCATIONS
Graduate education core coursework is taught primarily on the Indianola campus of Simpson College with a few of these classes at the West Des Moines campus. Coursework that may be needed to satisfy the endorsement area is offered on each of our campuses.

Indianola Campus
701 North C Street
Indianola, IA 50125

Ankeny Campus
1450 SW Vintage Parkway
Ankeny, IA 50023

West Des Moines Campus
1415 28th Street, Suite 250
West Des Moines, IA 50266

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**THE PROGRAM**

Graduate education core coursework can be completed in as few as 18 months followed by a semester of student teaching.

Concurrent with coursework, there are 80 clock hours of daytime classroom fieldwork which allow candidates hands-on experiential learning.

Candidates in the MAT program earn at least forty-two (42) graduate credits, secondary teaching licensure, and a master’s degree.

For more information on the MAT and other graduate education programs, schedule, course descriptions, and credits per course, please visit www.simpson.edu/mat.

**PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS**

All candidates must have earned a bachelor’s degree with a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.75.

MAT candidates must have 3.00 GPA in the coursework needed to satisfy their area of endorsement.

**HIGHLIGHTS**

- The MAT program begins once a year in the fall and is intended for individuals changing careers in order to pursue secondary licensure (5th-12th grades).
- Affordable evening and weekend courses offer a convenient schedule for earning your degree.
- Study with committed Education faculty who are knowledgeable, passionate, and supportive.
- Our cohort model encourages peer-to-peer learning and often results in lasting professional and personal relationships.
- Learn from Simpson’s master teachers during classroom field experiences.
- The graduate education academic advisor works with candidates one-on-one to make sure that they are on the right track towards completing their program requirements.

“Joining the Simpson MAT program was one of the best decisions I have ever made. Without the Simpson MAT program I probably would have never pursued my true career passion of teaching and coaching.”

Kristin Meyer ’09, MAT

Howard Berger ’12, MAT