

frequently asked questions

questions	on-campus format	off-campus format
How many credits are needed to earn the MAEd?	34 semester credits	Same
How many required and elective credits are there?	24 required credits (8000-level courses) 10 elective credits	Same
When can students begin taking the required courses?	On-campus students may begin in the fall, spring, or summer semester.	Off-campus/learning communities start in either the fall or spring semester. LC students do not take required courses in the summer.
How are the required (8000-level) courses scheduled?	Required courses are offered fall, spring, and summer terms.	Required courses are offered in the fall and spring terms.
When do students take elective courses?	Any term	Same
What is the course/credit transfer policy?	5 graduate credits taken prior to admission (or 10 credits of a Hamline license or certificate)	Same
How long will it take to complete the degree?	It is possible to complete the MAEd in 22 months. Students may finish earlier if they take more than 4 credits per term	Same
How are required courses scheduled?	Courses meet one night (M-Th) each week for 14 weeks in the fall and spring semesters. Summer courses meet M-W or T-Th for seven weeks.	Course schedule is determined by the learning community faculty/facilitators—usually one Saturday and two week nights per month.
How do students select required courses?	All start with the Explorations course. After successful completion, students individually determine the order of the other required courses.	All start with the Explorations course. After successful completion, students together take required courses in a set sequence.
Who teaches the required courses?	One faculty/facilitator teaches each course.	Unless the group is very small, there are two or more faculty/facilitators who teach the required course sequence.