



The University of Vermont

MIDDLE LEVEL EDUCATION MASTER OF ARTS IN TEACHING (MAT)

What Our Students and Alumni Say...

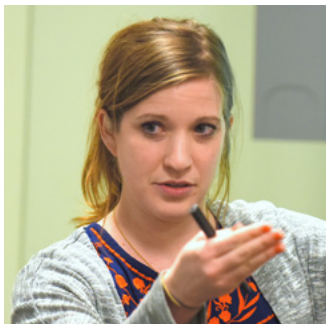


"I love the community, the energy, the challenges, and the school-spirit that gives you pride to be a part of something bigger than yourself. Working alongside with professionals who support you to be a better educator is a profound feeling. Seeing young adolescents thrive and grow is one of the most rewarding experiences of all time."

— Erica Indiano '20

"Teaching offers so many wonderful experiences. This job in so many ways is connected to my identity. I really feel needed. I really feel like I have a niche here, and that the community has accepted me and welcomes me. I'm doing something that's bigger than just me."

— Chris Magistrale '10



"There was a time where I said I would not teach in a middle school. Then I actually had the experience of working with that age. I thought it was amazing. They're amazing. I want students to feel comfortable coming into the room, successful and confident."

— Marley Evans '17



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**EDUCATION AND
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Middle Level Education Graduate Program at UVM

Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT) for Licensure, Grades 5-9



Middle school teaching is an exciting and rewarding profession that allows you to make a real impact in the lives of students during a critical stage in youth development.

Our award-winning program prepares you to create engaging curriculum and learning environments that are responsive to the unique needs of young adolescents. Our teaching faculty – formerly middle school teachers themselves – are internationally recognized for innovative work in middle level education.

Join us in making a difference in the lives of young adolescents.

Our Unique Approach

Earn a master's degree and gain licensure to teach in just one year! Work in a middle school right from the start as part of a year-long internship supported by on-campus coursework and through our cohort model. Our approach makes it easy to develop enduring connections with classmates, mentor teachers, and faculty.



Drawing on our distinctive Vermont context, our proficiency-based program is built around several core themes:

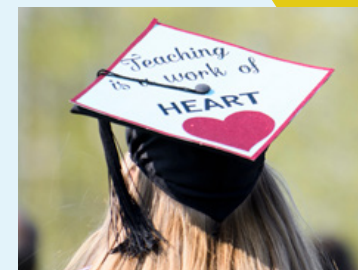
- **Place-based, problem-based, and project-based learning**
- **Social justice and sustainability education** to engage young adolescents in democratic citizenship
- Best practices addressing the **nature and needs of young adolescents**
- **Interdisciplinary** teaching approaches that promote **student voice** in their learning
- **Personalized and proficiency-based curriculum** designed to support your learning and growth

Become a Part of the Middle Level Education Community

Enjoy mentoring from award-winning middle level faculty and researchers who are eager to connect you with our vibrant local and national middle level education community. Engage with the Tarrant Institute for Innovative Education, the Middle Grades Collaborative, and attend regional and national conferences with your cohort. There are also opportunities to learn from our global connections with colleagues in New Zealand and Hawaii.

Scholarships

We offer a limited number of merit-based scholarships each year. Since these awards coincide with rolling admissions, we recommend applying early if you wish to be considered for a scholarship.



High Job Placement Rate and Multiple Licensure Options

Our graduates are in great demand, and enjoy a high job placement rate in middle schools throughout Vermont and across the country. Earning a middle grades specific license, along with endorsements in multiple content areas, positions you well for the job market.

Reach out to us! We are happy to help you determine your next steps for licensure in one or more content areas (Math, Science, Social Studies, and English).

Two Pathways to Your Graduate Degree

Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT)

If you already earned your Bachelor's degree from UVM or another institution, or if you are a senior at the UVM without room for 3-9 middle level education credits before graduation, the MAT program is the right choice for you.

Accelerated Master's Program (AMP)

If you are a UVM undergraduate student with room in your schedule to take 3-9 middle level education credits before graduation, the Accelerated Master's Program (AMP) is a great opportunity to save time and money by beginning your graduate coursework early.

