WHAT WE’RE ABOUT
Graduate programs at the Mount have a strong reputation of innovation, quality, and academic excellence. Class sizes enable faculty to create valuable connections between learning, research, and the professional work environment. MSJ graduate students appreciate the consistent interaction with faculty both as educators and mentors.

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EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION
Master of Arts and Ohio Early Childhood Educator License (Pre-K to Grade 3)
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CHANGE LIVES, IMPACT COMMUNITIES, AND TRANSFORM THE WORLD
At The Mount, we will do more than prepare you to teach. Our mission, our “why”, is to prepare each of our students to change lives, impact communities and transform the world. For nearly 100 years we have been the program of choice for many talented educators. Here is how we do it:

Our faculty were successful teachers who want to help our students become great educators who make meaningful contributions in teaching and the promotion of human equity. They go beyond advising and serve as your mentors who guide you through your college experience and prepare you for meaningful and dynamic career in educational settings.

Our course work provides opportunities for students to independently make sense of new concepts and to collaborate with others to further learning. Classes consider global issues and practical, real-world strategies, enabling our teachers to be a part of change at the local and global levels.

Our fieldwork occurs with purpose-driven partner schools and with educators who are passionate about their work. The Mount offers students the opportunity to earn a master’s degree and meet the requirements for an Ohio Teaching License through two programs: the Full-time Accelerated Master’s Early Childhood program and the Part-time Early Childhood Education program. Both of these programs are for those who wish to teach pre-K through third grade.
FULL-TIME ACCELERATED EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION:
An accelerated 15-month full-time Master of Arts degree program
and teaching apprenticeship.

This program prepares students to enter the teaching profession through an intense, fulfilling, learning and apprentice format. A combination of course work and a nine-month apprenticeship within a K-3 classroom immerses the student in the teaching experience.

Program Benefits
- Complete the Ohio Early Childhood Education licensure requirements in only 12 months.
- Master of Arts degree. Major in Teaching completed in three additional months.
- Cohort group meets and works together throughout the program.
- Options for Ohio Reading Endorsement and/or Ohio Pre-K Special Needs Endorsement.

Program Details
- The program begins in May with four accelerated summer classes that are completed by August.
- During the academic year, students are embedded in apprenticeships and are enrolled in two accelerated courses at a time.
- As the academic year comes to a close, students start to complete their Masters course work (including a final integrative project).

Application deadline for the full-time program is April 15.

Both programs have options for adding an Ohio Reading Endorsement and/or Ohio Pre-K Special Needs Endorsement.

PART-TIME EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION:
A traditional Master of Arts degree program.

The part-time program prepares students to enter the teaching profession through a combination of course work with practicum experiences and student teaching. Students will earn licensure in Early Childhood Education and a Master of Arts degree, Major in Teaching through a part-time program.

Program Benefits:
- Complete the Ohio licensure requirements and Master’s degree through a part-time commitment.
- Options for Ohio Reading Endorsement and/or Ohio Pre-K Special Needs Endorsement.
- Students can take up to five years to complete the part-time licensure and Master of Arts degree program.

Program Details:
- Students can start the program at any point during the year.
- During the academic year, students gain practical experience through 100 hours of practicum experiences over two semesters and 15 weeks of full-time student teaching in another semester.

The part-time program has rolling admission.