



# CLAYTON COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOLS TEACHER CERTIFICATION INFORMATION SESSION



**Tuesday, April 23, 2019 from 4:30 – 5:30 p.m. at the Professional Learning Center**

*Clayton State University is offering an opportunity for Clayton County Public School educators to earn the credits necessary for Georgia teacher certification. Guided by the mission of providing engaging, experiential learning, Clayton State's partnership with Clayton County Public Schools is designed to prepare CCPS employees to advance their careers and foster success in their classrooms.*

We invite you to attend an information session to learn more about how Clayton State University may assist you in reaching your teacher certification through our academic offerings.

## **PERSONAL ACADEMIC ADVISOR**

Your advisor will work with you to review program requirements, class schedule offerings, academic concerns, and be your one stop to ensure you are on the path toward completion. Our classes are offered onsite, online, and in hybrid formats, so you can take advantage of completing courses around your schedule.

## **CREDIT TRANSFER POLICY**

We recognize that many career-minded students have already earned some college credit, or even their associate's or bachelor's degree, through another institution. At Clayton State, we value your previous education and experience, offering a transfer credit policy that allows you to carry over previously earned education credits to help you move forward in your program. Transfer credits must be reviewed for approval for transfer.

## **VALUE**

Clayton State provides value by balancing cost and high quality education. Participants will receive our competitive institutional tuition rate, which has been recognized by *James Magazine* as the Best Value in Higher Education in Georgia.

## **WAIVED FEES**

As a Clayton County Public School employee, we will waive your Undergraduate Admission Application and Orientation Fees (if applicable) if participating in this program.

## **FACULTY**

Our faculty are one of our greatest assets. The faculty in the department of Teacher Education have many years of experience as teachers and administrators in local schools. They are not only highly regarded for their expertise, research, and knowledge within their field of study, but they are also committed to student outcomes. Our 93% pass rate for our students on EdTPA over the last three years is indicative of our commitment to preparing students for success. The Teacher Education faculty at Clayton State will work with you inside and outside the classroom to ensure you are equipped with the knowledge and skills needed for a rewarding career as a teacher.

## **A STREAMLINED PROCESS**

We offer a streamlined admission's process, which includes a concierge service for Clayton County Public School employees. Contact us to learn about your program of interest and how to apply from our dedicated team.

## PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

### MASTER OF ARTS IN TEACHING

- Graduate degree designed for individuals who have an undergraduate degree and wish to attain a GA Secondary Teaching Certificate (6-12)
- Concentrations are Mathematics, English, Biology, and History
- 36 credit program with evening, weekend, and online courses
- Preparation for students to complete the EdTPA requirements
- Recommendation for a clear-renewable teaching certificate with the Georgia Professional Standards Commission

#### PROGRAM APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

- GACE Program Admissions scores (see website for permitted exemptions)
- Official undergraduate and graduate transcripts
- Three recommendations
- Completion of GACE 350 – Program Entry Ethics
- GAPSC Pre-Certification Application Form
- Admissions Essay (see website for prompts)

### TEACHER CERTIFICATION PATH

- Program designed for individuals working as paraprofessionals
- 57 credit program (based on completion of associate degree and transferable credits)
- Hybrid with courses on evening and weekend
- 6-7 semester completion track
- Option to earn special education certification with 5 additional courses

#### TRANSFER REQUIREMENTS

- 30 or more semester hours of transferable college credit
- 2.0 minimum GPA

*Admission into Clayton State University as a Transfer student.*

### SECONDARY CERTIFICATION PROGRAM

#### CONTENT INSTRUCTION

- 21 credits of content required courses
- Mix of online and onsite courses
- Prepares individuals for CCPS TAPP Pedagogy Program

*Admission into Clayton State University as a Post-Baccalaureate student.*

### STEPS TO ENROLL

1. Complete the Clayton State Application and submit all required documentation.
2. Receive acceptance letter from the Office of Recruitment and Admission.
3. Complete New Student Orientation online (if applicable).
4. Receive advisement from personal Academic Advisor.
5. Register for classes.

**Learn more by attending an Information Session on April 23, 2019 from 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. at the Professional Learning Center, Room 101A-B, 1087 Battle Creek Road, Jonesboro, GA 30236.**

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**[www.clayton.edu/admissions](http://www.clayton.edu/admissions)**

