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# EDUCATION PROGRAMS

Train up a child in the way he should go; even  
when he is old he will not depart from it.  
– Proverbs 22:6 (ESV)

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# DEGREE QUICK FACTS



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## EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

<b>B.A. in Early Childhood Education (Licensure)</b>	Birth-8 Years Educator at Public, Charter, Private, and International Schools	<b>120</b> credit hours	<b>[42]</b> professional core	✓
<b>B.A. in Early Childhood Education (Non-Licensure)</b>	Birth-8 Years Educator at Charter, Private, and International Schools	<b>120</b> credit hours	<b>[31]</b> professional core	✓

## ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

<b>B.A. in Elementary Education (Licensure)</b>	K-6 Educator at Public, Charter, Private, and International Schools	<b>120</b> credit hours	<b>[48]</b> professional core	✓
<b>B.A. in Elementary Education (Non-Licensure)</b>	K-6 Educator at Charter, Private, and International Schools	<b>120</b> credit hours	<b>[37]</b> professional core	✓

## SPECIAL EDUCATION

<b>B.A. in Special Education (Licensure)</b>	K-12 Special Education Teacher at Public, Charter, Private, and International Schools	<b>120</b> credit hours	<b>[48]</b> professional core	✓
<b>B.A. in Special Education (Non-Licensure)</b>	K-12 Special Education Teacher at Charter, Private, and International Schools	<b>120</b> credit hours	<b>[37]</b> professional core	✓
<b>M.Ed. in Special Education</b> - Available with or without licensure - Optional emphases in Alternative or Generalist Licensing	K-12 Special Education Teacher Special Education Coordinator	<b>38-43</b> credit hours		✓

## CULTURALLY AND LINGUISTICALLY DIVERSE EDUCATION & TESOL

<b>M.Ed. in Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Education</b>	English Teacher English as a Second Language	<b>30</b> credit hours		✓
<b>Graduate Certificate in TESOL</b>	Teacher/Instructor TESOL Aid TESOL Specialist	<b>12</b> credit hours		✓

For more information on all programs offered by CCU's College of Adult and Graduate Studies, visit [ccu.edu/programs](http://ccu.edu/programs).



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## CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

<b>M.A. in Curriculum &amp; Instruction</b> - Optional emphases in Alternative Licensing, Biblical Studies, and Culturally and Linguistically Diverse	Corporate Trainer Adult Educator Instructional Coach Staff Development Director of Curriculum and Instruction	<b>36</b> credit hours	✓
<b>Graduate Certificate in TESOL</b>	Teacher/Instructor TESOL Aid TESOL Specialist	<b>12</b> credit hours	✓

## EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP

<b>M.Ed. in Educational Leadership</b> - Available with or without principal licensure	Instructional Coach in a Public, Charter, Private or International School Leadership Opportunities in Agencies Private or International Schools	<b>36</b> credit hours	✓
<b>Stand-alone Principal Licensure</b>	School Administrator Dean of Students School Principal	<b>27</b> credit hours	✓

TRANSFER CREDITS ARE ACCEPTED: TALK WITH YOUR ADVISOR FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION.



## EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION

### BACHELOR OF ARTS IN EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION (LICENSURE AND NON-LICENSURE)

The Early Childhood Education programs offered through the College of Adult and Graduate Studies will equip you with the skills to make a meaningful impact on the world's next generation of learners. The unique combination of studying education theory and participation in field-based learning experiences will help you develop the competencies necessary to become an effective early childhood teacher or director.

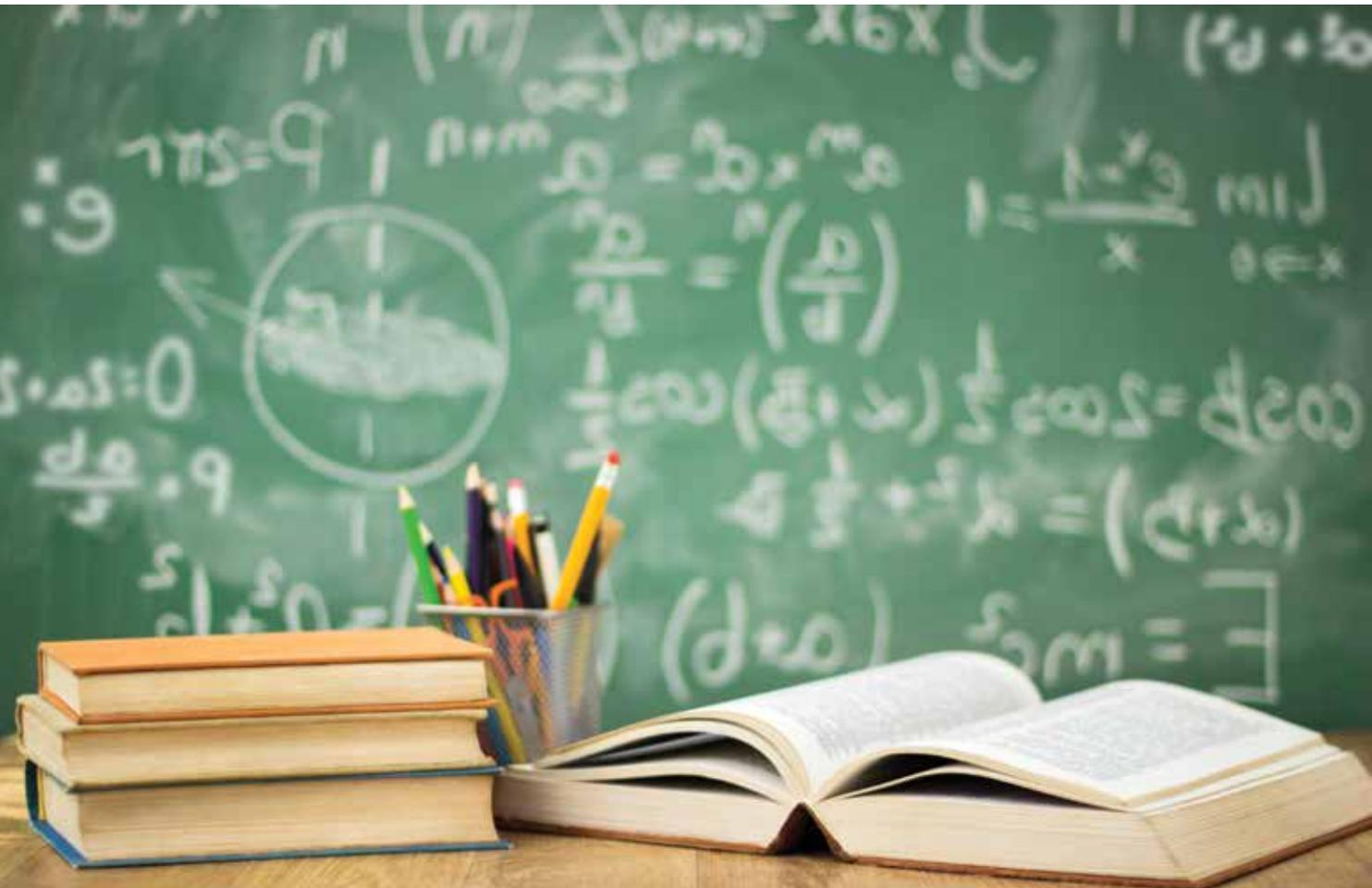
CCU's Early Childhood Education programs are offered online and are taught with a biblical worldview. Each course will help you address the diverse needs of today's learners through servant leadership in classrooms, schools, and society as a whole. Small class sizes encourage individualized learning and networking and give you direct access to instructors who are also professionals in the field.

## ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

### BACHELOR OF ARTS IN ELEMENTARY EDUCATION (LICENSURE AND NON-LICENSURE)

The Elementary Education programs offered through the College of Adult and Graduate Studies will equip you with the skills to make a meaningful impact on the world's next generation of learners. The unique combination of studying education theory and participation in field-based learning experiences will help you develop the competencies necessary to become an effective elementary teacher in K-6 classrooms.

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# SPECIAL EDUCATION

## **BACHELOR OF ARTS IN SPECIAL EDUCATION K-12 GENERALIST (LICENSURE AND NON-LICENSURE)**

As schools strive to increase performance of all students, they are increasingly challenged to meet a wider variety of student needs. The special education generalist plays a critical role in providing instruction and support for students with special learning needs across multiple tiers of instruction. Generalists are problem solvers who ask questions, continually reflect on and adjust their practice, are committed to individualization, and believe all students can learn.

CCU's Special Education programs are offered online and are taught with a biblical worldview. Each course will help develop dedicated educators as they pursue a special education career. Small class sizes encourage individualized learning and networking, and allow students direct access to instructors who are also professionals in the field.

## **MASTER OF EDUCATION IN SPECIAL EDUCATION (LICENSURE AND NON-LICENSURE)**

The Master of Education in Special Education program is designed for graduate students to earn a master's degree in education while pursuing Special Education Generalist Licensure from the state of Colorado. A non-licensure track is also available if you don't wish to pursue licensure or already hold an initial/professional teachers license.

This degree in Special Education is focused on preparing you with advanced competencies related to the field of Special Education. The Special Education curriculum seeks to build strong connections between theory and practice through quality classroom instruction paired with extensive field experience. You will gain a strong foundation in teaching and content knowledge from experts in the field of education, all taught from a Christian perspective.

### **M.ED. IN SPECIAL EDUCATION WITH ALTERNATIVE LICENSING EMPHASIS**

This one-year program is designed for teachers without a license who are teaching in a special education classroom in a Colorado public or charter school. The program includes supervised coaching in the classroom, as well as 29 credit hours of graduate coursework, which are a part of the M.Ed. in Special Education Alternative Licensing Emphasis. The combination of classroom teaching and graduate coursework may lead to an institutional recommendation from the University for an initial teaching license in Special Education, the standard entry-level license in Colorado.

### **M.ED. IN SPECIAL EDUCATION WITH SPECIAL EDUCATION GENERALIST ENDORSEMENT EMPHASIS**

The Special Education Generalist emphasis plays a critical role in teaching special education students and providing support for students with disabilities across multiple tiers of instruction. Generalists are problem solvers who ask questions, continually reflect on and adjust their practice, are committed to individualization, and believe all students can learn.

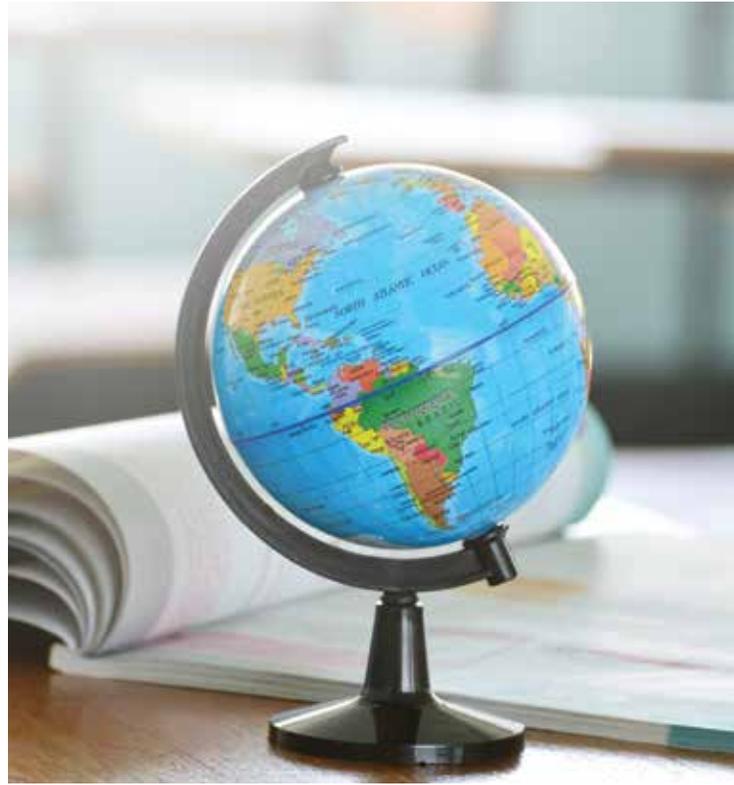


# CULTURALLY AND LINGUISTICALLY DIVERSE EDUCATION

## MASTER OF EDUCATION IN CULTURALLY AND LINGUISTICALLY DIVERSE EDUCATION

The Master of Education (M.Ed.) in Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Education degree addresses the need for licensed teachers to be knowledgeable in teaching English to speakers of other languages. This graduate degree meets all requirements set forth by the Colorado Department of Education for an endorsement in Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Education.

The degree is also aligned with the standards for Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL), and is designed to provide professional development for current and aspiring educators and school professionals who are seeking skills in teaching English language learners both in the United States and around the world. Individuals completing the M.Ed. CLDE degree also receive TESOL Certification.



# CURRICULUM & INSTRUCTION

## MASTER OF ARTS IN CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION

The Master of Arts in Curriculum and Instruction (MACI) at Colorado Christian University provides you with the tools to enhance your professional career in teaching, training, administration, and curriculum development. The MACI is designed to further your cognitive abilities, relational skills, commitment to values, and worldview informed by biblical scholarship, science, experience, and history. You can earn a general master's degree in Curriculum and Instruction or you can choose one of three options for an emphasis: Biblical Studies, Alternative Teacher Licensing, or Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CLD). Individuals completing the M.Ed. CLDE degree also receive TESOL Certification.

### M.A. IN CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION WITH ALTERNATIVE LICENSING EMPHASIS

You will take professional core requirements (18 credit hours) and 15 credit hours for the Alternative Licensing emphasis. An additional three (3) elective education credit hours are required to complete the MACI degree.

### M.A. IN CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION WITH BIBLICAL STUDIES EMPHASIS

You will take professional core requirements (18 credit hours) and 18 credit hours of biblical learning for the Biblical Studies emphasis.

### M.A. IN CURRICULUM AND INSTRUCTION WITH CULTURALLY AND LINGUISTICALLY DIVERSE EMPHASIS (WITH TESOL CERTIFICATION)

You will take professional core requirements (18 credit hours) and 18 credit hours of Culturally and Linguistically Diverse (CLD) coursework.

# EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP

## MASTER OF EDUCATION IN EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP (LICENSURE AND NON-LICENSURE)

The Master of Education in Educational Leadership is a comprehensive graduate program for experienced teachers, school administrators, and district personnel who seek to further their career in an academic leadership role.

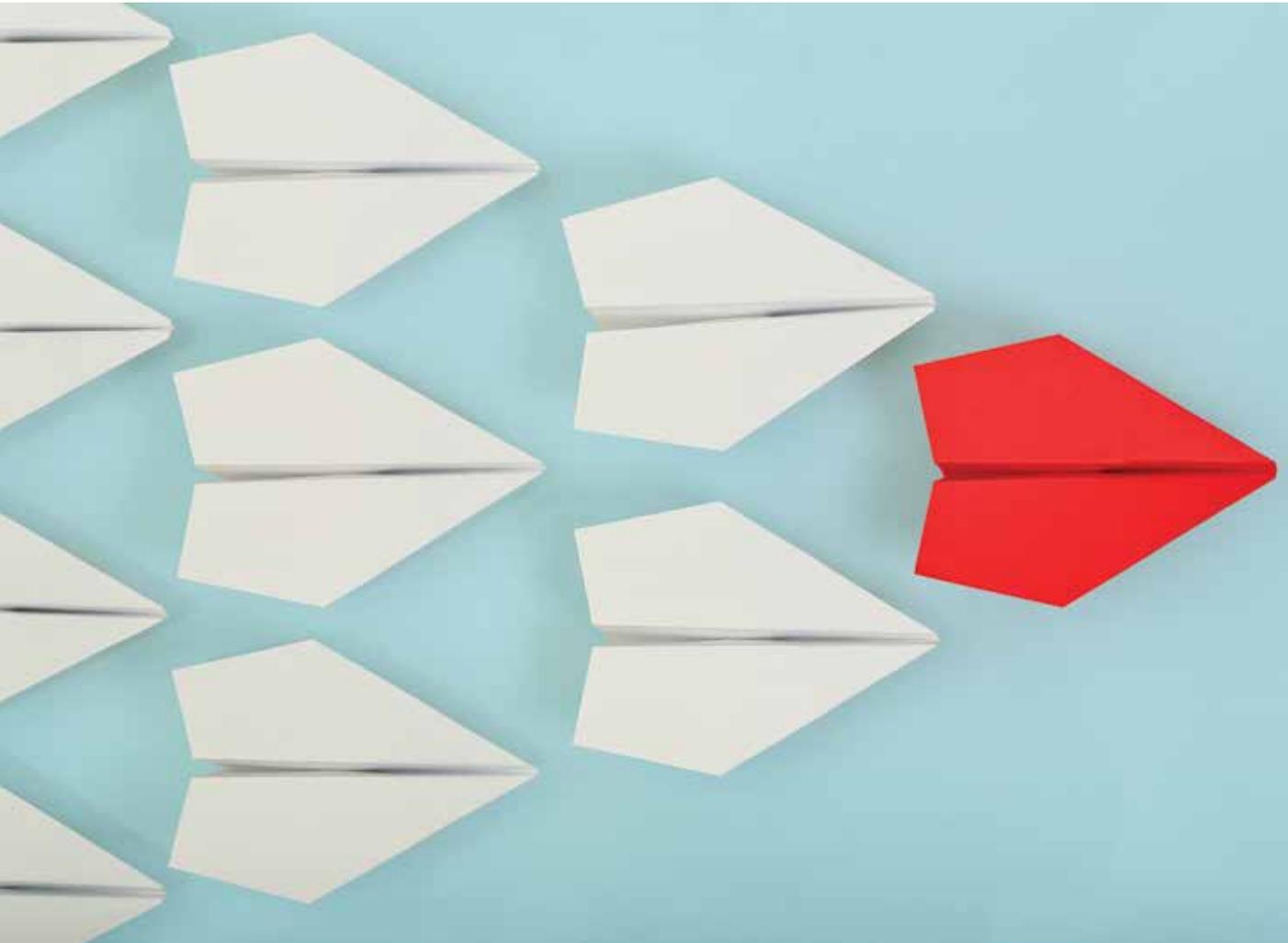
Offered through the College of Adult and Graduate Studies, the program is designed to address many of the issues faced by educators in the public and private sectors alike. The primary aim of the educational leadership curriculum is to provide you with a tangible framework of leadership skills that prepare you for the current challenges faced by school administrators.

Graduates who satisfactorily complete all requirements of the Master of Education in Educational Leadership (licensing) program may apply to the Colorado Department of Education for a principal license.

## STAND-ALONE PRINCIPAL LICENSURE

The 27-credit-hour principal licensure-only track is designed for experienced teachers who are seeking a path to become a licensed school principal without completing a graduate degree. The program prepares candidates to obtain a Colorado principal license and is designed to enhance expertise in governance, finance, law, leadership, and strategic planning.

Candidates will learn to lead teachers, develop and implement curriculum standards, and guide educators to meet established academic goals. Candidates will also learn how to manage budgets, establish proper security, and work more effectively with stakeholders.



# UNDERGRADUATE TEACHING PROGRAMS NOW OFFERED ONLINE



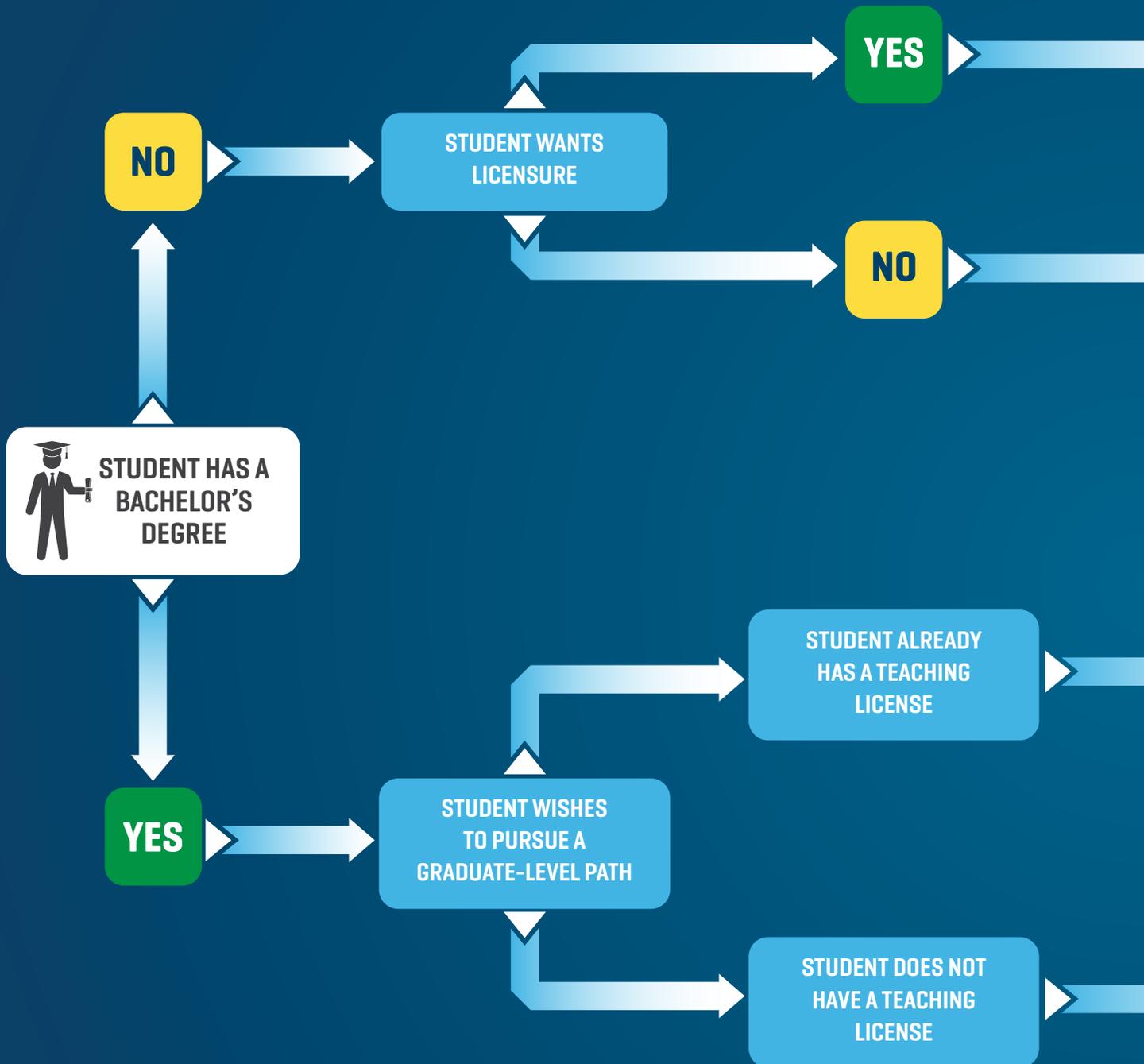
CCU's College of Adult and Graduate Studies offers both undergraduate licensure and non-licensure K-12 teacher programs that are hosted online. Offered in a flexible format, students can enroll in the Elementary Education, Early Childhood Education, or Special Education Generalist online programs – and graduate in as little as 18 months.

## THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT CCU'S ONLINE TEACHING PROGRAMS:

- Our online programs can be completed by students worldwide, so long as they have reliable internet access and basic technology tools such as a computer, headset, and webcam. Online students should be proficient with and comfortable using web-based tools and applications such as email, word processors, video conferencing, etc.
- Successful completion of the CCU teacher licensure program results in a recommendation for a Colorado Department of Education teaching license which may be reciprocated to other states. Contact your state's Department of Education to learn about their licensure reciprocity requirements.
- There are no residency requirements in our online teacher preparation programs.
- Undergraduate teacher candidates are required to complete 130 hours (non-licensure) or 800 hours (licensure) of supervised field work in classrooms within their community.
- Depending on the program, there are eight to twelve live webinars that are scheduled approximately one time per month in the afternoon. These webinars are about two hours long and provide opportunities to interact with program faculty and fellow teacher candidates.



# WHICH PROGRAM



*\*The M.A. in Curriculum and Instruction degree does not lead to licensure UNLESS it is under the Alternative Licensing Emphasis*

# IS RIGHT FOR YOU?

## **B.A. Licensure**

- Elementary Education
- Early Childhood Education
- Special Education, K-12 Generalist

## **B.A. Non-Licensure**

- Elementary Education
- Early Childhood Education
- Special Education, K-12 Generalist

- M.A. in Curriculum and Instruction\*
- M.A. in Curriculum and Instruction – Biblical Studies Emphasis\*
- M.A. in Curriculum and Instruction – Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Emphasis\*
- M.Ed. in Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Education
- M.Ed. in Educational Leadership with Licensure
- M.Ed. in Educational Leadership without Licensure
- M.Ed. in Special Education – Special Education Generalist Endorsement

- M.A. in Curriculum and Instruction\*
- M.A. in Curriculum and Instruction – Biblical Studies Emphasis\*
- M.A. in Curriculum and Instruction – Alternative Licensing Emphasis
- M.A. in Curriculum and Instruction – Culturally and Linguistically Diverse Emphasis\*
- M.Ed. in Special Education with Licensure
- M.Ed. in Special Education – Alternative Licensing Emphasis



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