



MASTER OF SCIENCE IN TRANSFORMATIVE EDUCATION AND SOCIAL CHANGE

Earn your M.S. in Transformative Education and Social Change (TESC) from the regional leader in education. West Chester University was founded as a teachers college, and educating our nation's teachers remains at the core of the University's mission.

The M.S. in Transformative Education and Social Change develops empowered educators, transformative intellectuals and democratic agents within their communities. Our TESC program focuses on a critical action research project that allows students to construct dynamic programs and practices in response to issues they see within their own teaching environments. This cohort-based program provides a rewarding experience for educators who seek to have a positive, meaningful, and critical impact on their students and the world we all share with them.

At WCU, we believe that high standards of scholarship and the application of research, as well as professionalism, collaboration, and knowledge of current trends in the field, are essential for all teachers. Our graduates are experts in developing and implementing transformative practices that affect change in schools and communities.

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- Cohort-based program is structured to accommodate working adults and meets one evening per week
- Small classes and personalized attention
- Dedicated and internationally recognized faculty experts
- Engaged and collaborative learning community
- Customized advising plan
- Degree program can be completed in two years
- Opportunities for research presentation and publication
- Options for specialization and certificates in:
 - Education for Sustainability
 - Educational Technology
 - Latin American and Latinx Educational Studies

OUTCOMES

Many of our graduates continue to work for change within their own school districts and classrooms while others have gone on to pursue doctoral study. You can find our graduates are employed in the following fields:

- Teaching in public and private schools
- Educational programs within nonprofit organizations
- Educational research and grant writing organizations
- Community education, organizing and activist groups

7.5% projected increase statistic according to bls.gov

10–20% average salary increase statistic according to the National Center for Education Statistics



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projected increase in elementary and high school positions through 2026



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average salary increase for teachers with a master's degree over their bachelor degree holding peers

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

A complete application to the M.S. in Transformative Education and Social Change program consists of the following:

1. Completed application
2. Official transcripts from all institutions of higher education
3. Minimum GPA of 3.0 in college coursework
4. Goal Statement
5. Two letters of recommendation

Applicants may apply online at www.wcupa.edu/applynow.

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REQUIRED COURSES

ERM 591

Intro to Critical Action Research

EDT 511

Social Implications of Educational Technology

EDF 580

History of American Education

EDF 511

Foundations of Transformative Education

EDP 570

Cognition for Transformation

EDF 588

Critical Pedagogy and Politics of Education

FOCUSED ELECTIVES: (CHOOSE TWO FROM EACH)

FOCUSED GROUP #1: SYSTEMS & STRUCTURES**EDF 510**

Poverty, Inequality & Education

EDO 500

Environmental & Sustainability Education

EDO 510

Systems & Sustainability

EDF 582

Analyzing Problems in Education

FOCUSED GROUP #2: ALTERNATE ROUTES**EDF 520**

Comparative Education

EDO 520

Outdoor & Place-Based Education

EDF 506

Public Pedagogy & Radical, Informal Learning Spaces

EDF 593

Transformative Curriculum Theory & Evaluation

THESIS

ERM 595

Critical Action Research Thesis