

OFFICE OF TEACHER PREPARATION

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Mission

The mission of the CNU MAT Teacher Preparation Program is to prepare highly qualified teachers who are licensed to teach in the Commonwealth of Virginia and in reciprocal states throughout the United States.

Five-Year Teacher Preparation Programs

CNU has teacher preparation programs leading to a BA (Bachelor of Arts), BS (Bachelor of Science) or BM (Bachelor of Music) and an MAT (Master of Arts in Teaching). These programs qualify students for a license to teach elementary or secondary school in the state of Virginia. Application to these programs is made during the second semester of the junior year. Because course sequencing is critical to success, interested students should talk to an advisor about the Five-Year MAT early in their program. The Five-Year MAT will require that students take two or more graduate level courses in their senior year. Students who wish to pursue teacher preparation should consult the teacher preparation sections in the individual department (listed below) and the CNU Graduate Catalog for a description of the Master of Arts in Teaching Program.

Areas of Teaching and Required Majors

Elementary, grades PK-6 Track

- Any liberal arts or science major (grades PK-6 endorsement requires teaching all subjects)

Grades PK-12 Track

- **Visual Arts:** art major
- **French:** French major
- **Music, Choral or Instrumental:** music major
- **Spanish:** Spanish major

Grades 6-12 Track

- **Biology:** biology major
- **Computer Science:** computer science major
- **English:** English major
- **History and Social Science:** history or the political science major (see Government Department)
- **Mathematics:** mathematics major
- **Physics:** physics major

See individual departments for specific requirements.