Geared toward working education professionals, the master’s program deepens your understanding of important issues affecting education today and helps you to develop more effective strategies to meet the needs of students of all ages.

Work closely with faculty who are dedicated to supporting your growth and success with a focus on critical pedagogy, equity and social justice, and rigorous research—all in a collaborative environment. Courses are offered exclusively online and in the evenings, providing a convenient and flexible schedule.

However, you don’t need to be a teacher or have a credential to apply. Students from all disciplines are welcome to apply!

Experience Your Learning

A Master of Arts in Education provides opportunities for you to:

- Partner with local schools and communities to conduct research.
- Develop a curriculum that is relevant and responsive to the needs of students and the community.
- Create an intervention model that will facilitate all students’ access to the learning of a particular topic.
- Analyze the effects of educational policy at the local, state and national level.
- Create professional development programs and models for teachers or administrators.
- Work closely with Cal Poly Humboldt’s School of Education faculty on their research.
- Be a teaching assistant and learn how to create a syllabus and conduct a seminar.

Did you know?

- Cal Poly Humboldt was founded as a teacher’s college in 1913.
- Courses are offered exclusively online and in the evenings, providing a convenient and flexible schedule.
- As part of a small cohort of graduate students, you’ll enjoy personalized support from faculty and staff.
Academics & Options

Education, M.A.

Applicants must hold an acceptable baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited institution (or equivalent academic preparation); be in good academic standing at the last university attended; have a GPA of at least 3.0 in the last 60 semester units attempted (90 quarter units).

Opportunities

Assistantship
The College of Professional Studies Scholars Program provides paid assistantship opportunities for undergraduate, post-baccalaureate, and graduate students. Through the program, students will work with a faculty sponsor to do supervised, faculty-led, and supported research, scholarship, and/or creative activities. Each endeavor is equivalent to approximately 33 hours of engagement.

ideaFest
Present your work at Cal Poly Humboldt’s annual research and project showcase, ideaFest, which features more than 400 student, staff, and faculty activities.

Careers

With an M.A. in Education (and the career-focused, hands-on skills that come with it) there’s so much you can do!

• Higher Education—Community Colleges or CSUs
• Educational Director—Museum/Non-profit
• Career Counselor
• Child Advocate
• Childcare Director
• Community Director/Educator/Researcher
• Corporate Trainer
• District Administrator
• Principal
• Public Policy Analyst
• Social Services Provider
• Teacher
• Public Educator

“Cal Poly Humboldt’s M.A. in Education program is extraordinary! The instructors present and understand multiple approaches to pedagogy, create safe spaces for students, and allow for many diverse views. The direction they’re creating in the world of education is crucial to the stability and peace of our global community and I’m very grateful for the opportunity to learn here, with them.”

Adolfo Soberanis (Education, M.A.)

“Professors are supportive and available, the materials they choose are really thought out. The program here has really challenged me personally and academically.”

Georgina Cerda (Education, M.A.)

“After teaching for 11 years at elementary, middle, and high school levels, Cal Poly Humboldt Education Master’s Program is giving me the inspiration I need. I am viewing education through a new lens and hopeful about the change we as educators can bring to the future of education. The professors are supportive and colleagues bring a wealth of experience. I’m grateful such a program exists here in Humboldt!”

Cherrie Chavez (Education, MA., Environmental Science B.A., Multiple Subjects Credential)