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ADMISSION

Admission to any of the three programs is dependent on the applicant being employed in higher education; in adult education at the post-secondary level; or in vocational, technical, and occupational education. Admission to the master's degree program and to the certificate program is open to those holding a bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited institution. Admission to the educational specialist degree program is restricted to those who hold a master's degree from a regionally accredited institution.

RESIDENCY

Residency on campus is not a requirement. Classes are offered at locations near the students so that they may stay on their jobs and use their positions for the immediate application of theories and skills learned through the courses.

THE CENTER FOR HIGHER EDUCATION COURSES

For the certificate and the master's degree program courses are offered in an independent study format. The educational specialist degree courses are offered at sites throughout the country and, when appropriate, will be taken with students working toward an Ed.D. degree in one of the same specialization areas.

MICROCOMPUTER COURSEWORK

It is taught in modules of 6 or 9 semester hours. These modules are offered at 12 sites in Florida: Bradenton, Daytona Beach, Fort Lauderdale, Fort Myers, Ft. Pierce, Gainesville, Jacksonville, Miami, Orlando, Tallahassee, Tampa, and West Palm Beach. When appropriate, courses may be taken with students enrolled in other advanced degree programs. Additional sites in Arizona, California, Colorado, Florida, Mississippi, Missouri, New Mexico, North Carolina, Utah, and Wisconsin will be established on demand.

PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

There are four modules that must be completed for both the educational specialist and the master's degrees. CHE Modules I, II, and III are the same for both degrees. The certificate program requires the student to complete CHE Module I and part of CHE Module III and CHE Module IV. In addition, a 6-semester-hour Practicum must be completed for both the educational specialist degree and the master's degree. A practicum is an institutional research project undertaken by students to apply the theory of microcomputers to education. The specific program requirements are:

Educational Specialist

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module contents

CHE Module I:
CED 600 Teaching Computer Literacy
CED 617 Software Search and Evaluation
CED 610 Authoring Tools and Graphics

CHE Module II:
CED 725 Programming Microcomputers
CED 735 Advanced Programming of Microcomputers in BASIC

CHE Module III:
CED 721 Administrative Applications of Microcomputers
CED 750 Independent Study of Selected Topics in Microcomputing
CHE M.S. Module IV:
- CHE 510 Instructional Theory and Design
- CHE 520 Tests and Measurements
- CHE 530 Computer Applications in Education

CHE Ed.S. Module IV:
- Applied Research and Evaluation
- Curriculum and Program Planning
- Learning Theory and Applications OR one of the following specialization courses:
  - Higher Education: "The Emergence of Higher Education in America" or "The Politics, Law, and Economics of Higher Education"
  - Adult Education: "History, Philosophy and Nature of Adult Education" or "Theory and Practice of Adult Education Methodology"
  - VTO Education "The Emergence of VTO Education in America" or "Personnel"

The educational specialist and master's degree programs are approximately sixteen months in duration. The cost of services for students continuing beyond this time is $1000 for each four month.

The order in which modules are taken will differ with the term in which the student enters the program. Below are the possible sequences depending on the student's entry into the master's degree program. Differences for the educational specialist degree program and the certificate program are noted.

A. Master of Science Degree:

Student Beginning in July:
- CHE Module I: July
- CHE Module II: September
- CHE Module III: January
- CHE M.S. Module IV: March
- Practicum: July

Student Beginning in September:
- CHE Module I: September
- CHE Module III: January
- CHE Module II: March
- CHE M.S. Module IV: July
- Practicum: September

Student Beginning in March:
- CHE Module I: March
- CHE Module II: July
- CHE M.S. Module IV: September
- CHE Module III: January
- CHE M.S. Module IV: March

B. Educational Specialist Degree:

Students enrolled in this program will follow the same sequence as the master's degree students except for the placement of CHE Ed.S Module IV. Students will take the courses in this module as they are offered at the sites in their area.

C. Certificate Program:

Students enrolled in this program may enroll for the 2 required CHE M.S. Module IV courses at any time in their program. They must take CHE Module I before taking the CHE Module III. The CHE Module III course will be offered only in the term that begins in January.

A maximum of six semester hours may be transferred and applied to either the master's degree or the educational specialist degree program. For the master's degree, these credits may have been earned in microcomputer or education courses. Only credit for microcomputer courses may be transferred and applied to the educational specialist degree program. These transferred credits must be for courses equivalent to courses within the program, earned within the last five years, and not used for another degree.