URBAN TEACHING RESIDENCY, MSED

Urban Teaching Residency Program (UTRP)

The Urban Teaching Residency program provides solid academic training and professional mentoring necessary to create effective urban educators. The curriculum is set around four core principles: unwavering focus on children; teacher inquiry and reflection; broad understanding of education and commitment to equity and social justice. The program began as a partnership of Penn GSE, the Pennsylvania Department of Education, and the Teach For America Greater Philadelphia Region.

To meet the needs of people working full time, the Urban Teaching Residency program is an executive-style format program with a hybrid of online and in-person coursework.

Our program offers two tracks. One with Pennsylvania certification (Every Teacher Certified, or ETC) and one without (Urban Professionals Program, or UPP).

Every Teacher Certified Options:

1. **M.S.Ed. in Urban Education with PA Instructional I certification** (https://utrp.gse.upenn.edu/program/certification)
   - The M.S.Ed. in Urban Education with recommendation for the Instructional Level I Certification allows you to work towards a Pennsylvania teaching certification while simultaneously completing coursework required to earn a master’s degree in education.

2. **M.S.Ed. in Urban Education with dual certification in PA Instructional I and special education** (https://utrp.gse.upenn.edu/program/certification)
   - The M.S.Ed. in Urban Education with recommendation for the Instructional Level I Certification and K-12 Special Education Certification allows you to work towards a PA content-area certification and certification in Special Education in two years. You must opt into this track by the first semester of your first year.

3. **Certification Only – General Education or Special Education**
   - General Education Certification Only is for students who are entering the program through one of our educational and school partners.

4. **Special Education Certification Only is for teachers who are already certified in a general education track.**

Urban Professionals Program track

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Every Teacher Certified (ETC) M.S.Ed. with Certification

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**General Education Tracks:**
- Pre-K-4th grade
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1 Consult with Program for choices.

**Required Milestone**

**Comprehensive Examination (or Portfolio or Thesis)**

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**Special Education (Dual) Certification**

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Dual certification requires completion of one of the General Education certification tracks above combined with either:

- Elementary Special Education (Pre-K-8th grade)
- Secondary Special Education (7th-12th grade)

Teachers who have earned PA certification and wish to add the special education certification can enroll in the Special Education Certification only track, which is a 5-course, 1-year hybrid model.

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*VAST LIFE is a program through the Urban Teaching Residency Program designed to provide students ages 14-21 the opportunity to have community based experiences, transitional assessments and lessons, and cultural events in the great city of Philadelphia customized for them by graduate students who are seeking Masters of Education and Special Education Certification in the Commonwealth.

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