

PROGRAM INFORMATION

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

Jean Braxton, Ed.D., Dean

Master of Arts in Severe Disabilities

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Requires passing score on the PRAXIS I examination or a current Commonwealth of Virginia teaching license for the Learning Disabilities and Emotional Disturbance or Mental Retardation curriculum as well as the Severe Disabilities Teacher Licensure Sequence. Students enrolled in this program may elect to complete a certificate program, which requires an additional course sequence for endorsement to teach in the areas of Learning Disabilities/Emotional disturbance or Learning Disabilities/Mental Retardation. *Applicants may be admitted for enrollment in the fall, spring, and summer terms.*

Master of Arts in Pre-Elementary Education

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A passing score on the PRAXIS 1 Examination is required for Pre-Elementary/Early Childhood Special Education Program. *Applicants may be admitted for enrollment in the fall, spring, and summer terms.*

Master of Arts in Teaching (Elementary Education)

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A passing score on the PRAXIS I examination is required. *Applicants may be admitted for enrollment in the fall, spring, and summer terms.*

Master of Arts in Teaching (Secondary Education)

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Requires passing score on the PRAXIS 1 Examination. Applicants must have an advisor in the academic department of intended major and complete the Certificate of Preliminary Endorsement Form enclosed in this application.

Master of Arts in Urban Education

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The following four sequences lead to the Master of Arts in Urban Education degree.

Community Counseling (Offered at Norfolk Naval Base)

This is an accelerated sequence designed for students interested in community counseling and family service agencies. *Teacher certification* is not required, applicable or available. Graduate application deadlines are year round. Refer to the Office of Graduate Studies for specific dates.

School Counseling PreK-12

This sequence is designed for candidates wishing to become school counselors (not agency-based counselors) in Pre-Kindergarten through grade twelve. *Applicants may be admitted for enrollment in the fall and spring terms.*

Administration and Supervision P12

The Administration and Supervision P12 sequence is geared toward teachers wishing to become an administrator in P12 settings. Teachers must have at least three years of full-time (meaning full teaching license, not provisional) teaching. Applicants must provide a copy of their Teacher's License when applying as well as three performance evaluations (available through the Office of Graduate Studies or the Department of Secondary Education and School Leadership). *Applicants may be admitted for enrollment in the fall and spring terms.*

Subject Area Concentration

This program is designed for teachers interested in re-certification in their content-area as well as a Master's degree. Applicants must submit a copy of their teaching license as well as complete the *Certificate of Preliminary Endorsement Form* enclosed in this application.

Admission to the above programs requires supplemental documents which can be obtained by contacting the Department of Secondary Education and School Leadership at (757) 823-2926. In addition, a written response to the following question is required:

Have you been convicted of a violation of law, or convicted of any offense involving drugs, sexual molestation, child abuse, physical abuse or rape? If the answer is yes, please explain any prior convictions or pending charges.

Master of Arts in Applied Sociology*

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Applicants may be admitted for enrollment in the fall and spring terms.

Master of Arts in Community/Clinical Psychology

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Classroom, practicum, and other program-related activities may require that students engage in oral and/or written self-disclosure. This may include personal information such as one's sexual history, history of abuse and neglect, current or past psychological treatment, and relationships with parents, peers, spouses, and significant others. Enrollment in the Community/Clinical Psychology Program constitutes willingness to do so. The GRE is not required. *Applicants are accepted for fall admission only. Late applications are not reviewed.*

Master of Arts in Criminal Justice

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This program has two concentrations, Criminal Justice Management and Planning and Juvenile Justice. The program requires a total of 36 credit hours divided between core and elective courses. The GRE is not required. *Applicants are accepted for fall and spring admission.*

Master of Arts in Visual Studies

Linda Brady, MA

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This is a 33 credit hour program. Applicants must complete the *Portfolio Review Application* located on the Graduate School website. *Applicants are accepted for fall admission only.*

Master of Fine Arts in Visual Studies

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This is a 60 credit hour program. Applicants must complete the *Portfolio Review Application* located on the Graduate School website. *Applicants are accepted for fall admission only.*

Master of Arts in Media and Communications

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Sequences: interpersonal communication, mass communications and journalism, speech communication, composition and language studies, broadcast administration, media production, news editorial management, and public relations. The GRE is required for those students with an overall GPA of below 2.65

Master of Music

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Instrumental auditions, placement exams in theory and music history required.

Applicants may be admitted for enrollment in the fall, spring, and summer terms.

Master of Arts in Urban Affairs

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Written letters of recommendation are required. *Applicants may be admitted for enrollment in the fall and spring terms.*

Virginia Consortium Program in Clinical Psychology (VCPCP)

Information about admission and applications to the VCPCP may be obtained from the Program Web site, <http://www.sci.odu.edu/vcpcp/>, or by calling (757) 368-1820.

****NORFOLK STATE UNIVERSITY/OLD DOMINION UNIVERSITY JOINT PROGRAM***

Master of Science in Computer Science

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Master of Science in Electronics Engineering

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Master of Science in Optical Engineering

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Master of Science in Materials Science

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Applicants must submit a resume and written letters of recommendation in addition to the requirements outlined in the application form. The personal statement should be a minimum of 500 words.

Doctor of Philosophy in Materials Science and Engineering

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Applicants must submit a resume, written letters of recommendation and GRE scores in addition to the requirements outlined in the application form. The personal statement should be a minimum of 500 words.

TOEFL will be waived if applicant has completed at least one year of full-time study at a four-year US college or university in an English speaking country.

TOEFL written test score should be at least **500**, or **173** on the computer-based test with no section score of less than 13. GRE scores are required for all who apply for Assistantship and Fellowship Awards. All Award applicants must arrange to have their GRE scores sent to the Office of Graduate Studies. Generally, the **minimum GRE** score is 530 on Verbal, 700 on Quantitative, and 630 on Analytical. The Graduate Admissions Committee may waive the GRE requirement if an applicant majored in computer science or computer engineering with a GPA of 3.2 or better in computer courses. *Applicants are accepted for fall and spring admission.*

Master of Social Work, MSW

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Application Deadline: March 1 is the deadline for fall semester admissions. *Full Time and Extended Time Students are admitted in the fall semester only.*

October 15 is the deadline for spring semester admissions for Social Work Advanced Standing Students only.

Because of accreditation guidelines, the School of Social Work requires that supplemental application materials be completed if an individual would like to be considered for the MSW Program. Contact the MSW Program Coordinator for further instructions.

Doctor of Philosophy in Social Work

Norma Jones, DSW

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Application Deadline: March 1 for fall admission.

Applicants must meet the following criteria and submit the following, in addition to the Graduate Admissions Application and required documents, to apply to the program:

1. MSW degree, with a grade point average of 3.0 or higher on a 4.0 scale
2. Two years of full time, paid post-master's social work practice experience
3. Successful completion of a graduate course in research
4. Successful completion of a graduate course in statistics
5. Personal Statement of career goals and research interests
6. Scholarly writing sample highlighting research interests
7. Four letters of recommendation: one academic, one personal/professional, and two recent work references
8. Must request that a copy of Graduate Record Examination (GRE) results be sent to the School of Social Work