LEARNING SCIENCE - M.A.

About This Program
Advance your knowledge and skills in education with the Learning Science M.A. program. Our innovative curriculum and experienced faculty prepare you to create effective learning environments and improve student outcomes. Read more...

Contact Information
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Program Delivery
• Delivery: In person
• Location: Kent Campus

Examples of Possible Careers
• K-12 teacher
• Data analyst
• Curriculum specialist
• Academic counseling
• Assessment specialist
• Educational research
• Program evaluation

Program Requirements

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Minimum Total Credit Hours: 39

Graduation Requirements
• The M.A. degree requires a minimum of 39 credit hours, including 6 credit hours of thesis credit.
• No more than one-half of a graduate student’s coursework may be taken in 50000 level courses.
• Students have six years from the term of first enrollment to complete the program.

Program Learning Outcomes
Graduates of this program will be able to:
1. Describe the various schools of learning theory that have informed educators
2. Conduct literature reviews and design empirical research to examine issues associated with how individuals learn
3. Apply principles of human development and learning when developing and selecting educational approaches
4. Identify best practices for maximizing student learning
5. Systematically design effective instructional programs to meet the academic needs of learners
6. Demonstrate knowledge of theories and principles of learner motivation
7. Describe social learning principles and their application to instructional practice
8. Evaluate teaching and learning practices with a variety of types of assessments
9. Competently evaluate educational programs and approaches

Full Description
The Master of Arts degree in Learning Science provides advanced study for students interested in the application of psychological principles to learning and instruction. It encompasses a variety of different disciplines, including cognitive psychology, human development and learning theory. Students are exposed to the latest research findings regarding how people learn most effectively and efficiently. They also apply these principles to the design of instruction and study how to most accurately assess different types of learning.

The M.A. degree program is appropriate for classroom teachers, professionals in a variety of settings and students wishing to pursue doctoral-level training in learning sciences.