The Postgraduate Master of Teaching degree is designed for individuals who have at least an undergraduate degree and are interested in the profession of teaching. This degree establishes eligibility for a teaching license in Virginia’s K-12 schools.

**Step 1: Familiarize Yourself**

Programs at Curry vary, be sure to spend time looking over your Program Page to learn more about your program, as well as verify details including:

- Admissions requirements
- Term of entry
- On-grounds/Off-grounds availability
- Additional deadlines
- Typical length of study

**Step 2: Take any required tests and submit your scores to the Curry School**

- Applicants to the MT (licensure) program must also submit qualifying test scores on ONE of the exams below.
  - In addition to having the testing agency forward official scores, scan and email a copy of your scores to gcurryadmission@virginia.edu, using "TED Scores" as the subject of your message. This will allow us to find your official scores more quickly.
  - PRAXIS I taken prior to 1/1/14: 178 math, 178 reading, 176 writing or 532 composite score; OR
  - Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators Test: Reading (5712)--raw score 31, scaled score 156, Writing (5722)--raw score 44, scaled score 162, Mathematics (5732)--raw score 29, scaled score 150 (taken on or after 1/1/14); OR
  - SATs taken prior to 4/1/95—score of 1000, with at least 450 verbal and 510 math; if taken after 4/1/95—score of 1100, with at least 530 verbal, 530 math ); OR
  - ACTs: taken prior to 4/1/95—composite score of 21, with at least 21 in math and an ACT English Plus Reading Score no less than 37; if taken after 4/1/95—composite score of 24, with at least 22 math, 46 English Plus Reading score; OR
  - VCLA: Reading and Writing as an optional assessment for the PRAXIS I reading and writing tests (writing subtest of 235, reading subtest of 235, composite score of 470) in combination with qualifying math scores from SATs, ACTs, PRAXIS I or the Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators.
- International students must submit TOEFL or IELTS score must be current--no more than two years old. (Applicants who earned their undergraduate degrees in the U.S. are exempt from this requirement.)
  - Official scores should be sent to the University of Virginia; the institutional code is 5820.
  - Expected scores:
    Paper-based TOEFL: 600
Computer-Based TOEFL: 250
IELTS: 7.0
IBT TOEFL: at least 22 in writing, 22 in speaking, 23 in reading, and 23 in listening for a total score of 90.
All incoming (new) graduate students whose first language is one other than English are required to take the University of Virginia English Language Proficiency Exam unless they have been exempted from TOEFL or IELTS.
  o Prospective graduate teaching assistants whose first language is one other than English are required to take the SPEAK Test. A score of at least 55 is required for permission to begin teaching without completion of oral language training. The SPEAK Test is administered in August, December, and May. Candidates for the test are identified by their department. Information about the SPEAK Test is available at www.virginia.edu/provost/caelc.

Step 3: Create your account to apply online

Your application process will be managed through our online system. Create an Application Account to begin applying. You can save and return to your application at any point before you click “submit.” Once an account is created, you can Login to Your Account at any time.

Step 4: Prepare your goal statement

This is your opportunity to describe your understanding of and interest in the program area to which you are applying. The prompt on the application provides additional information you might include.

Step 5: Submit your recommendations

You are required to submit two letters of recommendation. These should be solicited through your online application. At least one of your recommendations should be from a faculty member. You can submit your application before the letters are received.

Step 6: Upload your transcripts

Upload copies of transcripts showing college coursework and degrees completed to date. Unofficial copies are acceptable. Official transcripts are required only when you accept an offer of admission. If you are submitting an official transcript through a clearinghouse, please have it emailed directly to Curry Graduate Admissions at gcurryadmission@virginia.edu. A transcript must be provided for each school listed on your application. Your application will be considered incomplete until all transcripts are received.

Step 7: Check status of application

Login to your account to check the status of your application.
You can monitor receipt of recommendations, test scores, and transcripts through the Apply Yourself web site. Remember, it takes at least 4 weeks for ETS to send us your scores after you take the exam, so plan accordingly to ensure materials reach our office by the application deadline. For this reason, we recommend you email a copy of your test scores to gcurryadmission@virginia.edu. This helps us find your electronic scores more quickly.