

La Roche University
Master of Arts in Deaf Education
DEGREE: Master of Arts Department: Education

Student Name _____

I.D. Number _____

Beginning with your first semester of enrollment, your Degree Audit Report in My.LaRoche will automatically track your progress toward your degree, and guide you in planning future class schedules. Review your updated Degree Audit Report with your advisor prior to registering each semester.

Program Description – The Master of Art in Deaf Education program is a post-baccalaureate 30-credit Master of Art degree with special Education, Hearing Impaired PK-12 certification. This unique program follows an apprenticeship model with courses offered by a consortium of universities (LRU, Robert Morris University (RMU), Minot State University (North Dakota) and Utah State University) to meet PDE requirements for certification. Students will be working as a teacher’s aide/apprentices at the sponsor school, DePaul School for Hearing and Speech during the school hours. This position will fulfill the field experience competencies set forth by PDE. Seminars and coursework will be conducted in a hybrid format and may occur face-to- face or virtually/online.

Requirements for Program Entry, CANDIDATES MUST:

- BA or BS degree from an accredited college or university
- Minimum 3.0 overall undergraduate GPA
- Be a U.S. Citizen
- Provide copies of TB test results
- Security Clearances within the past six months:
 - o PA Child Abuse History Clearance
 - o PA State Police Criminal Record Check
 - o FBI Fingerprinting Check

Program Notes:

- Upon completion of the first semester and the assignment of grades, the teacher candidate will apply for candidacy. Candidacy requires a 3.0 GPA in the program, clear clearances, and TB test results.
- Industry & Labor documentation will be addressed through the sponsor school (DePaul).
- Taking the content Praxis exam(s) is required prior to the student teaching/Apprenticeship III course (Fundamental Subjects: Content Knowledge 5511 and Special Education: Education of Deaf and Hard of Hearing Students 5272). Candidates must pass the Praxis exams to pass the Apprenticeship III course and apply to the PDE for certification.
- Students will apply through TIMS for PA Certification.
- The University program requirements are subject to change in order to comply with new or revised PDE mandates.

REQUIREMENTS: To successfully complete the Master of Arts in Teaching, the following graduate coursework is required:

- 21 credits of coursework
- 9 credits of Apprenticeship
- While enrolled in the MA Deaf Education program, students must continue to have:
 - o A 3.0 cumulative GPA
 - o Current Act 34/Act 151 Clearances and Act 114 FBI Fingerprinting
 - o TB Test (must be renewed annually)
 - o Proof of Liability Insurance– PSEA, Council for Exceptional Children, or Private Insurance

GRADUATE COURSE REQUIREMENTS: 30 CREDITS

1st Semester:

EDDE5520	ASL/Sign Language @ Minot State	3	
EDDE6060	Curriculum Design & Assessment @ RMU	3	
EDDE5010	Intro to Deaf Education, IEPs & Apprenticeship I @ LRU	3	

2nd Semester:

EDDE6340	Foundations of Listening & Spoken Language @ Utah State	3	
EDDE6320	Language Learning & Literacy Acquisition in Children with Hearing Loss @ Utah State	3	
EDDE6010	Apprenticeship II & Seminar @ LRU	3	

3rd Semester:

EDDE6070	Communication and Special Education @ RMU	3	
EDDE6400	Reading Across the Curriculum/ELL @ RMU	3	
EDDE6045	Transitioning @ RMU	3	
EDDE6020	Apprenticeship III & Seminar @ LRU	3	

	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>Completed</u>	<u>Need</u>	<u>COMMENTS:</u>
Program Requirements	30	_____	_____	