Teaching & Inquiry, M.S.

Overview
The Master of Science in Teaching & Inquiry (MSTI) program is for teachers interested in developing and expanding their craft, knowledge, and skills for teaching in the 21st century. The MSTI program is open to K-8 teachers with a minimum of two years of teaching in their own classroom.

Each term MSTI students take one required “core” course and one elective. Students choose their electives from dozens of course options. With MSTI students choosing their five electives, the program allows each student to create the custom program that will most benefit their personal and professional goals. MSTI students can take one general education elective in a subject they teach.

MSTI students can also choose to focus their five electives in a specific area, such as in literacy, early childhood education, or earn an endorsement in Bilingual Education.

The focus of the five core courses of the MSTI program include:
- Inquiry-based teaching
- Project-based teaching
- Authentic and integrated curriculum development
- Teaching 21st century literacies
- Multicultural education
- Teacher action research

Credit Hours Required: 31

Program of Study

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Admissions

Applicants to the MSTI program must meet the admission requirements of the College of Graduate Studies and Research. In addition candidates must provide evidence of:
- Two years of K-8 teaching in their own classroom
- Current Illinois K-8 teaching license
- MSTI program application
- Submission of a 400-word writing sample

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- The MSTI program begins each fall term. Students complete the program in five consecutive terms.
- Students may choose to complete the program at a slower pace.
- All classes are offered after school and in the evenings.
- The current in-state graduate tuition is less than $400 per credit hour.

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