MASTER OF SCIENCE IN TEACHING, LEARNING, AND LEADERSHIP
Option: Gifted and Talented Education

REQUIRED OF ALL STUDENTS FOR ADMISSION:
Undergraduate degree in education or related field; vita/resume; typewritten goals statement (approx. 500 words) consistent with mission of graduate degree and program option. Faculty in each program option will review admissions materials once a month, make admissions recommendations, and assign a temporary advisor to admitted students in that program option. The review process may take 4-6 weeks fall and spring semesters or longer during summer session.

For Unqualified Admission:
3.0 undergraduate GPA; evidence of proficiency in written communication; availability of academic advisor

A minimum of 36 hours beyond the Bachelor’s degree is required.

COMMON CORE (Specific courses required of all TLL majors) 6 hours
CIED 5053 Curriculum Issues®
CIED 5813 Educational Advocacy and Leadership®

RESEARCH REQUIREMENT (Select one) 3 hours
CIED 5073 Pedagogical Research®
REMS 5013 Research Design and Methodology®*
REMS 5953 Statistical Methods in Education®*
SCFD 5913 Introduction to Qualitative Research®
*These are required pre-requisites for students wishing to pursue a PhD in Education

AREA OF EMPHASIS (Gifted and Talented Education) 21 hours
GTED 5063 Introduction to Gifted Education
GTED 5163 Counseling Techniques for Teachers of Gifted Learners
GTED 5363 Differentiating Curriculum for the Gifted & Talented*
GTED 5763 Teaching Techniques and Models for Gifted Education
GTED 5993 Identification and Behavioral Characteristics of Gifted Learners
GTED 5863 Developing Programs for Gifted Learners
GTED 5620 Practicum in Education of Exceptional Learners
*Not required for Specialist Certification only

ELECTIVES or THESIS 6 hours
Select thesis OR creative component and 6 hours of coursework approved by committee

Important Information:
• ® Indicates courses with at least one-third research content. Students in this program must complete at least three courses with an ®.
• In order to qualify for the Oklahoma Gifted Education Specialist Certification, candidates must hold a valid teaching license and have two years of teaching experience.

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