



KALMANOVITZ  
SCHOOL OF  
EDUCATION

Saint Mary's College of California  
Kalmanovitz School of Education  
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## Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT)

**What is the focus of the MAT?** The Master of Arts in Teaching is designed specifically for those who want to enhance their understanding of teaching, learning and subject matter in the PreK-12 classroom. The program is grounded in inquiry-based learning, where you develop a set of questions within a content area of your choosing, collect multiple resources for teaching the content, investigate research on teaching and learning in specific subject areas, design new ways to teach, create an e-portfolio, and submit a final project. The final project will be a substantial educational product, whether a curricular unit, educational video, interactive website, training handbook, or another kind of project. Courses will combine regular class sessions with online work.

**How much does it cost?** The MAT has four required courses beyond the credential, totaling 8 graduate units. Tuition for 2012-13 will be \$840/unit. Students in the MAT may apply for financial aid (for information, contact Jane Joyce at (925) 631-4149 or visit <http://www.stmarys-ca.edu/admissions/financial-aid>).

**How long does the program take to complete?** If you enroll full-time, you could complete the program as in as little as 6 months. If you enroll part-time, you could take from 18 months to 3 years to complete the program.

**What are the admission requirements?** The MAT is open to those who have earned Single and Multiple Subject credentials from Saint Mary's College in 2003 or later. To be accepted to the MAT, you must first pass the Graduate Writing Exam. You must also fill out an application form (see next page for links). Course enrollment begins in late March for summer courses.

**What is the Writing Exam?** For the Writing Exam, you will have up to 2 hours to respond to questions about an academic research report that has been sent to you in advance. You will enter your responses in Word in a computer lab. The goal is to ensure that all entering students are able to meet at least the basic level of academic writing necessary for success in a graduate program.

### Writing exam dates for 2012:

(Call 925-631-4700 to sign up.  
Space is limited.)

Thursday, Feb. 23<sup>rd</sup>, 4-6pm **or** 6-8pm

Saturday, March 10<sup>th</sup>, 10am-12pm **or** 12pm-2pm

### Summary of MAT Coursework:

Course	Term	Schedule	Focus • Portfolio Elements
<b>MAIT 401 Course I: Introduction to Inquiry</b> (1 unit)	Summer Year 1	2 Saturdays, 7 hours/day  <i>2012 dates: June 16/23</i>	Choose subject area & topic; develop guiding questions; learn how to read educational research and use library databases  • <i>Guiding Questions</i>

<b>MAIT 402 Course II: Content Knowledge</b> (3 units)	Summer Year 1 or 2	One 4.5 hour class per week 2 hrs/wk online One 1.5 hour library session  <i>2012 dates: Tuesdays, June 26-July 31</i>	Deepen knowledge of selected topic and subject area; begin to answer guiding questions; explore educational theories & philosophies. • <i>Annotated Resource Wiki</i>
<b>MAIT 403 Course III: Pedagogical Knowledge</b> (3 units)	Summer Year 1, 2 or 3	One 4.5 hour class per week 2 hrs/wk online One 1.5 hour library session  <i>2012 dates: Thursdays, July 5-Aug.9</i>	Deepen pedagogical content knowledge; investigate research and theory on subject-area learning and teaching; develop ideas for final project.  • <i>Literature Review</i> • <i>Demonstration Lesson</i>
<b>MAIT 404 Course IV: Capstone Project</b> (1 unit)	Fall Year 1; Spring, Summer or Fall Year 2 or 3	Three 2.5 hour class sessions, 5 hours online sessions  <i>2012 dates: TBD</i>	Prepare final project, paper and final presentation; meet in-class and online with instructor and peers for support and sharing progress.  • <i>Final Project</i> • <i>Final Reflective Paper</i> • <i>Final Presentation of Project</i> • <i>Completed E-Portfolio</i>
<b>Total units including credential:</b> 44 (Multiple Subject) 43 (Single Subject)			

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**Application Forms (Change of Program):**

Single Subject (link on right-side menu or at bottom of page):  
<http://www.stmarys-ca.edu/single-subject-secondary-education-program>

Multiple Subject (link on right-side menu or at bottom of page):  
<http://www.stmarys-ca.edu/multiple-subject-elementary-education-program>