

MASTER OF ARTS IN CHILD STUDY AND EDUCATION

Institute of Child Study, Human Development and Applied Psychology

Evidence Informed Child-Centred Teaching

OUR PROGRAM

If you have a passion for teaching and the curiosity to learn more about children through research and theory, we invite you to consider our program which offers both teacher certification and a Master of Arts degree. We're proud of the contribution our graduates make. We believe that they are well-prepared through a combination of understanding children through child study, extensive practice teaching over two years and training in evidence-informed teaching methods. Each year outstanding graduates leave the Institute of Child Study prepared to make a difference in the lives of children.

Highlights

- A unique two-year teacher preparation program with Ontario Elementary Teacher Certification
- Master of Arts in Child Study and Education with the opportunity to pursue a PhD degree
- Extensive practical experience in our on-site innovative Laboratory School as well as public school settings
- Opportunities to be involved in education research
- Special Education training opportunities
- Opportunity to focus on early years education

INTEGRATING RESEARCH AND THEORY INTO PRACTICE

We commit to learning more about children through research and theory. We provide opportunities to:

- Gain extensive practical experience with more than 600 hours in classrooms
- Interact with students and faculty in a small community environment
- Work with creative teacher-researchers in our world renowned Laboratory School
- Become an elementary school teacher
- Observe how children develop and grow
- Qualify for further graduate study
- Acquire the skills needed to teach in special education and special needs environments

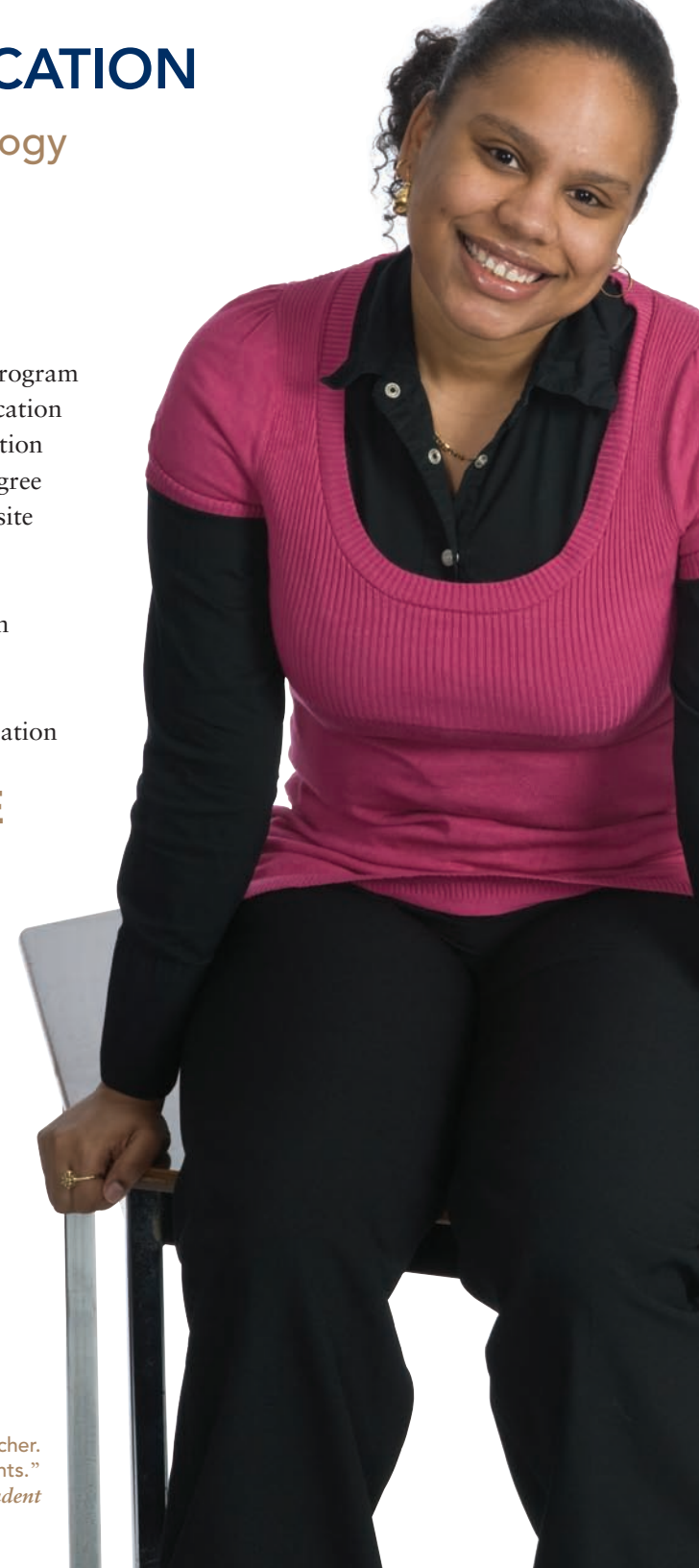
BRINGING TOGETHER FULL-TIME INITIAL TEACHER EDUCATION AND GRADUATE STUDIES

OISE offers:

- Opportunities for full-time practica experience in the classroom
- The ICS program is offered full-time and with a September start-date only
- Some electives are offered in the evening and summer to provide maximum flexibility
- A convenient downtown location

"My experience in the Child Study and Education program fostered my development as a teacher and researcher. I am now confident that I am capable of creating an engaging learning environment for all students."

– Kerry-Ann Escayg, MA Graduate and PhD Student



PROGRAM DELIVERY

Program Requirements:

Our students understand children through Child Study, extensive practice teaching and training in evidence-informed teaching methods.

The MA is pursued on a full-time basis, and is comprised of 16 half courses, including practica. During their first year, students will complete four six-week half-day placements. In their second year of study, students will complete a 3.5 month full-time internship in an elementary classroom.

Students complete several courses from the Department of Human Development and Applied Psychology including topics on Child Study (Observation, Evaluation, Reporting and Research), Education, Curriculum (Language and Literacy, Math and other core areas), and Practicum. Students can also select four electives from any department at OISE and/or U of T.

ABOUT OISE

OISE is an international leader in the research, teaching and study of issues that matter in education. For the past century, our institution has truly transformed education in Ontario through the teaching of teachers, research, graduate studies, and through our leadership in educational policy and its impact on practice around the world. Our commitment is to ensure the extraordinary synergy between theory and practice continues to grow.

Early Years

Students may take their internship in an early years setting in their second year and they may also take electives with an early childhood focus.

Special Education

Students planning a career in special education should opt to take a special education practicum placement in their first year of study. In first or second year, they could choose suggested Special Education electives.

Research

Students planning further graduate study in the foreseeable future are advised to complete a Qualifying Research Paper.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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For further information on this and other graduate and teacher education programs at OISE as well as admission requirements, fee schedules and course listings (including online, evening and summer schedules), visit the OISE website at www.oise.utoronto.ca and click on the Prospective Students link. You may also wish to consult our official graduate calendar, the OISE Bulletin, at www.ro.oise.utoronto.ca.

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