MASTER OF SCIENCE FOR TEACHERS, ADOLESCENCE EDUCATION: ENGLISH

EARN YOUR INITIAL NEW YORK STATE TEACHING CERTIFICATE

Bachelor’s Degree Requirements: Applicants must hold a baccalaureate degree or equivalent to a SUNY Potsdam undergraduate major in Literature/Writing (a minimum of 36 credits, excluding freshman composition), as well as six credits of foreign language (or high school equivalent), is required for admission. A review of the candidate’s transcript will determine the need for completion of any content core courses.

GPA Requirements: A minimum overall grade point average of 3.0 in the most recent 60 semester hours of graduate study, as well as a minimum grade point average of 3.0 in the English major.

Students typically begin this program in the Fall semester, however starting off-template may be possible on an individual basis. Applications are reviewed on a rolling basis.

- Completed online application (visit www.potsdam.edu/graduateapplication)
- *Letter of intent- Expressing professional goals and how the program fits your professional goals to program guidelines, and the document should be no greater than three pages.
- Three letters of recommendation-Professional/Academic references only that address your readiness for graduate study and potential success as an educator. Personal references will not be accepted.
- Transcripts from all institutions previously attended- Unofficial copies will be accepted for the purpose of admissions decision, however official copies must be received after commitment to enroll is received. Transcripts showing a conferred bachelor’s degree are required for full admission.
- GRE General Exam scores (Score goals for admission are as follows: Quantitative-149, Verbal-147, Writing-3.0), or MAT scores (Score goal for admission is 390)
- *Curriculum vitae/resume
- International Applicants must visit (https://www.potsdam.edu/admissions/graduate/apply/international) for detailed instructions related to degree and language proficiency.

Note: Individual conditional admission may be given on a case by case basis.