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If you have a bachelor’s degree and are interested in becoming a teacher, a new opportunity is available that may allow you to do so quickly and at no cost. Earn a master’s degree in teaching that also secures employment in a school district while you complete the degree that will guarantee higher pay upon graduation.

As a partner of the South Carolina Grow Your Own grant program, Clemson will offer an entirely online Master of Arts in Teaching degree with certification. School districts will employ participating students as educational assistants while they complete their MAT degree.

The grant will allow aspiring teachers to become a teacher for free and get paid to do so. After earning their MAT, students commit to teach in the participating district for three years. Candidates would begin coursework May 2024 and finish June 2025 with an August 2025 graduation date. The following degree programs are available and needed in participating school districts:

- SECONDARY SOCIAL STUDIES
- SECONDARY MATHEMATICS
- SECONDARY BIOLOGY, CHEMISTRY, PHYSICS, OR GENERAL SCIENCE
- SECONDARY ENGLISH
- MIDDLE LEVEL SOCIAL STUDIES
- MIDDLE LEVEL MATHEMATICS
- MIDDLE LEVEL SCIENCE
- MIDDLE LEVEL ENGLISH LANGUAGE ARTS
- MODERN LANGUAGES AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE
- MODERN LANGUAGES FRENCH
- MODERN LANGUAGES SPANISH

Teacher candidates must meet requirements for admission into the MAT program—2.75 GPA (3.0 preferred) and content courses required for certification (C or better)—and must meet requirements for student teaching clearance. Visit our website to get more information about content areas and required courses.

Funds will support tuition, fees, books, supplies, university supervision, associated accreditation fees, student teaching fees, Praxis PLT and subject-area assessment and Praxis study materials.

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