Which Initial Teacher Certification Program is right for me?

Program	Bachelor of Science in Education	Undergraduate, Non-degree Certification	Master of Arts in Teaching
Location	Atlanta Douglas County Henry County Macon	Atlanta Douglas County Henry County Macon	Atlanta Henry County Macon
Credits Required	 Elementary/Special Education: minimum 120 credits (depending on transfer credits) Middle Grades Education: minimum 120 credits (depending on transfer credits) Choose two areas of concentration (Language Arts, Mathematics, Science, or Social Science) 	 Elementary/Special Education: 79 credits (depending on transfer credits) Middle Grades Education: 52 credits, plus 15 credits in each area of concentration (Language Arts, Mathematics, Science, or Social Science) 	 Elementary Education: minimum 37 credits Middle Grades Education: minimum 31 credits Secondary Education: minimum 30 credits
Completion Time	24-48 months (depending on transfer credits)	Minimum 36 months (depending on completion of prior content in approved subject area)	 Elementary Education: approximately 24 months Middle Grades: 15- 20 months Secondary Education: 12-20 months
Prior Credits/ Degree Required	High School Diploma/GED or higher	Bachelor's degree or higher from regionally accredited institution (degree in education is not required)	Bachelor's degree or higher from regionally accredited institution (degree in education is not required)

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Admission Requirements	 Completed application for admission \$25 non-refundable application fee Official transcript(s) from all institutions attended (cumulative GPA of at least 2.5 required for applicants who hold an associate degree or have attempted 30 or more hours of college credit)* High school or GED transcript (if applicable) for applicants who have not attempted or have earned fewer than 30 hours of college credit (cumulative GPA of at least 2.5 required)* For full admission to Teacher Candidacy in all programs, applicants must pass or exempt the GACE for Program Admission and the GACE Educators Ethics Program Entry Assessments. 	 Completed application for admission \$25 non-refundable application fee Official transcript(s) from all institutions attended Undergraduate degree from a regionally accredited university (cumulative GPA of at least 2.5 required)* For full admission to Teacher Candidacy in all programs, applicants must pass or exempt the GACE for Program Admission and the GACE Educators Ethics Program Entry Assessments. 	 Completed application for admission \$25 non-refundable application fee Official transcript(s) from all institutions attended Undergraduate degree from a regionally accredited university (cumulative GPA of at least 2.5 required)* For full admission to Teacher Candidacy in all programs, applicants must pass or exempt the GACE for Program Admission and the Georgia Educator Ethics Assessments. Middle Grades and Secondary Education applicants must also pass the appropriate content-area GACE by the end of their first semester in the Master of Arts in Teaching program.
2020-2021 Tuition Rates	\$485 per credit hour	\$485 per credit hour	\$639 per credit hour
Program Start Terms	January, March, May, August, October	January, March, May, August, October	January, March, May, August, October (Note: Foundation courses for the Henry County program begin in May, and core courses begin in August. The Macon program begins once per year in May.)
Application Deadlines	Rolling admission	Rolling admission	Rolling admission

*Candidates with a GPA of 2.0-2.49 will require additional counseling to determine full admission eligibility or credits needed to boost GPA.