Graduate Programs

SUNY Potsdam offers courses and programs in the traditional liberal arts disciplines in the humanities, science, fine arts and performing arts. The College also focuses on the student’s need for the best possible preparation for specific professional and vocational goals.

SUNY Potsdam’s graduate programs seek to encourage academic achievement and to provide each student with a sense of personal and social responsibility. SUNY Potsdam grants graduate degrees at the master’s level with programs in mathematics, English, music, technology and education.

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* The MSED programs are primarily geared for candidates who already hold a teaching credential. For these candidates, the completion of an MSED program will assist with completing the academic requirements needed for New York State professional certification. Some MSED programs will allow candidates to earn certification in an additional area (Educational Technology Specialist, Literacy Specialist, Special Education). Candidates seeking to earn a master’s degree not linked to teacher certification may pursue the Educational Technology Specialist or the Information and Communication Technology programs.

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** The MST programs prepare candidates holding a baccalaureate degree in an academic area other than education to become certified to teach.