

# 2021-22 Teacher Residency INFORMATION



## Project NURTURE

(Network for Urban and Rural Teachers United in Residency Excellence)

<https://education.gsu.edu/project-nurture/>

### Program Details

- STEM teacher residents in **Mathematics and/or Science (Middle or High School)** and Paraprofessional teacher residents in **Special Education (all school levels)** are placed for a full year with a qualified mentor teacher in a DCSS classroom.
- All residents will participate in professional development sessions throughout the school year, while also completing coursework with Georgia State University towards a MAT degree (Master of Arts in Teaching) and full initial teacher certification. All residents will receive infusions of Special Education, technology, and literacy across the content areas in their GSU teacher training courses.
- Residents will be eligible to pursue financial aid as well as Graduate Resident Assistantship (GRA) stipends to attend GSU with in-state Georgia resident tuition.
- Between 8-15 residents will be selected for Project NURTURE each year. Strong candidates who have not yet completed a 4-year degree may receive Residency Readiness support in order to join one of the future cohorts of Project NURTURE residents.

**STEM Residents\*** are paid a stipend of \$25,000 through Douglas County School System

**SpEd Residents\*** keep their positions, salary, and benefits as paraprofessionals for Douglas County School System

**\*After completing year 1, all Project NURTURE residents must commit to a three-year service obligation teaching for the Douglas County School System (as certified teachers on the district pay scale)**



### Minimum Eligibility

Those selected for the next cohort of the Project NURTURE Teacher Residency program must:

- Provide proof of U.S. citizenship or be a permanent resident
- Meet all GSU application requirements and **separately** complete a College of Education & Human Development application for a MAT program in Special Education, Mathematics, Science, or Middle Level Math/Science
- **Begin a MAT program in Special Education, Mathematics, Science, or Middle Level Math/Science no later than June/Summer 2021**

# Application to the College of Education & Human Development\*

For MAT program applications and information use the following link

<http://education.gsu.edu/admissions/graduate-admissions/>

Checklist	Materials required by Master of Arts (MAT) Programs	Dates Submitted/Requested
	Graduate program application (LINK ABOVE)	
	Georgia Assessments for the Certification of Educators (GACE) Program Admission Assessment scores	
	Georgia Educator Ethics—Program Entry	
	Two letters of recommendation	
	Two copies of official transcripts	
	Statement of goals	
	Updated resume	

**\* A separate application for Project NURTURE/DCSS is also required**

**Residency applications are now being accepted!**

**Current DCSS paraprofessional [apply here](#) »**

[https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ProjectNURTURE\\_DCSS\\_SpEdParaprofessionals](https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/ProjectNURTURE_DCSS_SpEdParaprofessionals)

Detailed information about each course of graduate study is available at these links:

Math MAT: <https://education.gsu.edu/program/mat-mathematics-education/>

Science MAT: <https://education.gsu.edu/program/mat-science-education/>

Middle Level Math/Science MAT: <https://education.gsu.edu/program/mat-middle-level-education/>

SpEd MAT: <https://education.gsu.edu/program/mat-special-education/>

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