

## **Tuition-Exemption Policy for Eligible Washington State Employees** **Updated: June 29, 2021**

### **A. OVERVIEW**

The School of Education at UW Tacoma recently implemented minor revisions to our tuition-exemption policy, effective summer 2021. Under our revised policy, the School of Education supports eligible Washington State employees (under RCW.28B.15.558) to enroll on a **\*space-available basis** in up to 12 credits of allowable courses in our Master of Education (MEd) for Practicing Educators degree program.

Eligible students may now choose whichever eligible courses that fall within the 12-credit maximum using their tuition-exemption benefits, with the exceptions of restrictions noted in Section B.

### **B. RESTRICTIONS**

1. Students with non-matriculated status are not eligible for any tuition-exemption benefit.
2. Courses that are not eligible for tuition-exemption benefits include: independent study, culminating project/practicum, fieldwork, or distance learning (online), at any time, per RCW RCW.28B.15.558.
3. At this time, only our MEd for Practicing Educators degree program is eligible for the tuition-exemption benefits. Other academic programs in the School of Education, such as EdS in School Psychology, Teacher Certification, Educational Administration, or EdD in Educational Leadership, are not eligible.
4. Current students who were admitted prior to summer 2020 only: the window to use prior benefits expired in spring 2021. Therefore, you will be covered under this new policy if applicable.

In order to maintain the academic integrity of each course and to ensure every student receives the resources needed to reach degree completion, class-size maximums of all classes will be strictly adhered to. The time schedule will display the maximum enrollment for each course. Additional class sections will not be added solely to accommodate any student(s) using tuition-exemption benefits.

### **C. CONTACT US WITH QUESTIONS**

Please send any questions regarding our revised tuition-exemption policy to the main School of Education email account at [uwted@uw.edu](mailto:uwted@uw.edu). Along with your question(s), please include your name and UW student ID if applicable.