



ASPIRE to Teach  
SCHOOL OF EDUCATION & HUMAN DEVELOPMENT  
UNIVERSITY OF COLORADO DENVER

# Alternative Teacher License

ASPIRE to Teach®, an alternative teacher licensure program at CU Denver is offering multiple pathways to licensure in the state of Colorado for Elementary and Early Childhood (0 to 3 and 3 to 6) educators.

*Do you hold or are you in the process of receiving a Montessori credential/diploma from a MACTE accredited Teacher Education Program? If so, you qualify for the ASPIRE to Teach® Montessori Pathway!*

## MULTIPLE PROGRAM PACING OPTIONS:

- Complete both programs simultaneously
- Complete the ASPIRE licensure program upon completion of a Montessori credential/diploma program
  - Individuals who already have a MACTE accredited credential/diploma are also encouraged to apply!

## PROGRAM COMPONENTS:

ASPIRE is asynchronous, online, and completed on your own schedule, as long as you adhere to the syllabi and deadlines set for you.

- You will work with one ASPIRE faculty member for your entire ASPIRE program
- The program can be completed in one year or less
- Coursework is expected to take about 5-8 hours per week/20 hours per month
- The cost is \$4750, and that includes the \$275 deposit
  - Multiple options to offset payments include state of Colorado funding and a low-interest education loan via CANVAS credit union

## PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS:

- You will need to be employed as a Teacher in a Colorado Montessori Classroom (public or private)
- You will need to obtain a passing score on coresponding PRAXI exams for Elementary and Early Childhood Endorsements

**Montessori Cohort starting in August  
2024!**

**APPLY TODAY!**  
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