Summer Master's Degree Programs

Family and Financial Planning (http://www.montana.edu/online/degrees/FFP):
This program helps working professionals who already have bachelor's degrees start careers assisting people with personal finances. The program is conducted in cooperation with the Board of Standards for the Certified Financial Planner™ program. Successful students will be eligible to take the Certified Financial Planner™ Certification Examination.

The Family Financial Planning program is offered through the Great Plains Distance Education Alliance (http://www.gpidea.org), a consortium of eight mid-western and western land-grant universities.

MSU Family Financial Planning students can expect to take approximately 2 to 3 three-credit online courses from each of the participating institutions throughout the course of their degree, benefiting from shared resources and shared intellectual expertise.

Master of Science in Mathematics (Mathematics Education Option): (http://math.montana.edu/MSMME)

The MSMME program emphasizes the teaching and learning of secondary mathematics and offers a blend of courses addressing key topics in mathematics content and pedagogy.

The MSMME curriculum incorporates problem-based and active learning and aligns with the NCTM Principles and Standards for School Mathematics as well as the Common Core State Standards for Mathematics. The 30-credit-hour program includes four required core content courses, two required pedagogy courses from a choice of four, and a variety of elective courses. Embedded in the required coursework are classroom-based research projects that address specific challenges in teaching, investigate new instructional strategies, or allow teachers to design, teach, and assess lessons in a specific content area.

Completing the program typically requires taking a series of online courses over two academic years and attending at least one (required) three-week summer session in Montana. Courses are offered on the Bozeman campus each summer. Additionally, two online courses are offered each summer, fall, and spring. All course credits may be applied toward teacher license renewal.

Master of Science in Science Education (MSSE) (http://www.montana.edu/msse/prospective-students/degree-program.html):

Designed to be completed in two Summer Sessions with five or more semesters interim distance learning course work.

The Master of Science in Science Education degree program is designed for practicing science educator and is located in the College of Letters and Science. This intercollege-interdisciplinary degree is supported by the colleges of Agriculture; Education, Health and Human Development; Letters and Science; and The Graduate School at MSU.

Thirty semester credits of course work are required for the degree. The program of study includes online courses that students take by computer-mediated conferencing from their homes or work places and summer campus courses. The program ends with an on-campus summer session in which the student presents the culminating capstone project.

All students complete core courses (14 credits) in education and develop interdisciplinary combinations of courses (16 credits) from offerings in biology, chemistry, earth sciences, microbiology, physics, and other areas. About three-fourths of the courses are offered through an online learning mode of instruction.

Each student is advised by a three-person faculty graduate committee, and graduate programs are designed taking into account the student’s background, interests, and career goals.
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