



Metro RESA Online STEM Endorsement

The STEM endorsement is a GaPSC approved 160-hour endorsement consisting of two courses and an embedded Residency. Successful candidates will earn a STEM Educator field to their teaching certificates.

Admission Requirements

- Must hold a professional level renewable certificate at the T-4 level or higher
- Candidates must have at least one year of teaching experience
- Candidates must be recommended by their employing principal or supervisor

Course 1: Elements of STEM, a 60-hour course with an additional 20 hours of an embedded **STEM in Action** residency to apply the elements of STEM in their classrooms. 50% of the course will offered synchronously online and 50% asynchronously. The course goals include analyzing the core ideas, practices, and resources of the STEM disciplines and Intentionally integrating STEM through logical, thoughtful ways.

Course 2: Intersections of STEM, a 60-hour course with an additional 20 hours of an embedded **STEM in Action** residency to apply the intersections of STEM in their classrooms. 70% of the course is offered asynchronously and 30% of the classes will be held in synchronous sessions. The course goals include integrating STEM disciplines through the development of a PBL unit.

STEM in Action Residency is embedded throughout the courses and includes collaborative planning with STEM colleagues, visiting a STEM certified school, writing a grant, maintaining a collection of STEM resources, and teaching STEM lessons developed in coursework.

The endorsement classes will consist of K-12 teachers who teach a variety of STEM fields. There will be opportunities to differentiate the tasks across K-12 grade levels and STEM disciplines.

What have participant said?

- "The most beneficial aspects of course were the resources provided, the model of highquality STEM instruction, and the encouragement to grow in STEM leadership skills."
- "All of the resources that I learned about. I thought there wasn't much more I could learn about STEM, but I have really learned new things and received some valuable resources."
- "I learned a lot about how to develop 5E lessons and a PBL project based on STEM principles. The most beneficial aspect of this course was building and planning the PBL and implementing it in my classroom. By practicing a STEM unit, I was able to really understand how to put together a STEM and reflected how to teach STEM within a classroom."

The cost is \$525 for each course/\$1050 total and can be paid by individuals or schools/districts. For more information contact: Donna Barrett (404)643-2017 or donna.barrett@mresa.org

To start the application process, please complete the registration form at: bit.ly/MRESAstem