Applications for the winter cohort are due 15 August, for the summer cohort 15 January. These dates are firm. The year-long internship will encompass winter, spring, summer, fall and winter quarters. Candidates have the option of obtaining a master’s degree. Those admitted to the program will complete 5 quarters of coursework; it is successful completion of all 5 quarters that will confer the MAT degree. Some pursuing teacher certification may not desire the MAT and will have the option to receive a CWU certificate of completion at the end of the 4th quarter. Regardless of the option selected, all candidate applicants must apply to the Graduate College as well as the program.

Applicants must apply 1) to the Graduate College at Central Washington University, and 2) the MAT in the Curriculum, Supervision, Educational Leadership Department.

The URL that outlines our program can be found here:  http://www.cwu.edu/csel/master-arts-teaching

The program begins with an intensive experience. After the intensive, you complete a mentored internship in a school close to where you live, at your own pace, completing a minimum of 720 field experience hours (combined observation and teaching), in your endorsement area(s). Please read through the URL webpage and the FAQ section closely.

Successful completion of the state examinations (West B and the West E), their records, and fingerprint clearance are due with the application. The webpage listed above also contains the application and the required documents to assist interested candidates in gathering application materials as it does take some time.

Accompanying your mentorship, you will enroll in online coursework for five academic quarters. Candidates also meet once a month in person for Saturday seminars throughout the year. In fall quarter we meet in Ellensburg, in winter we meet synchronously on-line, and in spring we meet in the Seattle Metro area.

Endorsement areas
The application lists the endorsement areas supported by CWU. Please refer to that document for the CWU Alternative Pathways to Teaching endorsement listing. Central Washington University does not at the current time support a pathway to certification in elementary education or early childhood.

Here are some other links that those seeking info like to have:
Registrar’s Office
 http://www.cwu.edu/registrar/contact-us

Financial Aid
 http://www.cwu.edu/financial-aid/

Please let me know if you have additional questions or how I may best support you.
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