

College of Education and Human Services

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The College of Education and Human Services has the following departments:

Communicative Disorders and Deaf Education
Elementary Education
Family, Consumer, and Human Development
Health, Physical Education and Recreation
Instructional Technology
Psychology
Secondary Education
Special Education and Rehabilitation

The College of Education and Human Services provides preparation programs for prospective teachers, for counselors and other professional personnel in education, and for professionals in the human services area and in corporate settings. Students are urged to refer to the more detailed descriptions of programs, majors, and areas of specialization contained in this catalog.

The College of Education and Human Services participates in the Interdisciplinary Studies Major (see pages 303-304), which offers flexibility for qualifying students who cannot find an existing degree that meets their needs.

Accreditation

Utah State University is a member of the American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education and is accredited by the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education and the Utah State Board of Education. Students who are licensed to teach in the state of Utah may qualify for licensure in other states and the District of Columbia. Additional material accreditations include: American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences, American Psychological Association, American Speech-Language-Hearing Association, Council on the Education of the Deaf, National Association of School Psychologists, and Council on Accreditation of the National Recreation Park Association.

University Studies Requirements

All students graduating from the College of Education and Human Services must complete the USU University Studies requirements (see pages 46-54).

Admission Requirements to Teacher Education

Students wishing to enter the Teacher Education Program at Utah State University must formally apply for admission and be approved by the Office of the Associate Dean for Teacher Education, as well as by the department where the teaching major is being offered. All applicants are required to submit a record of their ACT scores, pass the Teacher Education Writing Exam, and take a speech and hearing test. Students are not permitted to enroll in the education professional core classes prior to being admitted to the Teacher Education Program.

Detailed information about admission to the Teacher Education Program should be obtained from a departmental advisor or from the Office of the Associate Dean for Teacher Education, Graduation, and Educator Licensing.

Teacher Licensing

The dean of the College of Education and Human Services is assigned responsibility for the development, approval, and administration of Teacher Licensing requirements for students.

The College of Education and Human Services currently offers preservice teacher preparation leading to licensure in 34 different areas. In addition, advanced programs leading to professional licensure are available for administrators, supervisors, school counselors, school psychologists, school library media specialists, speech-language pathologists and audiologists, educators of the deaf, and specialists in special education. Training is also available in English as a Second Language (ESL), reading, distance education, and gifted and talented education.

Specific requirements for each license may be obtained from the Office of the Associate Dean for Teacher Education, Graduation, and Educator Licensing or from the department in which the major work is offered. All students who desire licensure must complete a criminal background check and must pass the Utah State Office of Education approved content test (Praxis II or Arts Portfolio) in their major area prior to student teaching.

For the early childhood, elementary, or secondary license, a closely supervised program of student teaching is conducted in selected schools throughout the state. Students should be financially prepared to live off campus during the semester selected as their professional semester of student teaching.

The Bachelor of Science degree with a major in elementary education, secondary education, or special education is designed for students preparing to teach in any of these fields. Students majoring in other departments of the University who wish to prepare for teaching are admitted to teacher education curricula as heretofore described. An endorsement in middle education is also available.

Dual Licensing

A student desiring to obtain early childhood and elementary education, elementary and secondary education, elementary and special education, elementary and deaf education, early childhood and deaf education, early childhood and special education, or secondary and special education licenses should consult with an advisor in the education departments early in his or her program. Ordinarily, dual licensure will require at least one additional semester of work.

Teacher Placement Service

The Teacher Placement Service functions as an integral part of the University Placement Center. Students may register with the service,

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which will help in compiling the proper credentials to be used in placement interviews. Application for placement services should be made prior to student teaching whenever possible. No fee is charged for using the center.

Facilities

The College of Education and Human Services Edith Bowen Laboratory School is a functioning elementary school on the University campus, serving as a research, demonstration, and teacher training center.

The Center for Early Childhood Education provides educational experiences and resources for teachers and parents that reflect the most current understanding of the social, emotional, physical, and cognitive needs of children in pre-kindergarten, kindergarten, and the primary grades.

The Center for the School of the Future is dedicated to improving the quality and effectiveness of education through identifying, researching, and developing proven educational practices, as well as supporting their dissemination and adoption in local circumstances.

The Center for Persons with Disabilities is Utah's university center for excellence in developmental disabilities. Its programs offer students opportunities to participate in multidisciplinary education, research, and service. Students complete clinical and field experiences, and may receive financial support through assistantships, internships, stipends, or employment.

Graduate Study

Programs at the graduate level, leading to advanced professional degrees and/or licensure, are available in the administrative, supervisory, human services, clinical, library media, and counseling areas. The Master of Education (MEd), Master of Science (MS), and Master of Arts (MA) degrees are offered in most departments. An Educational Specialist (EdS) program is available in the following departments: Communicative Disorders and Deaf Education, Instructional Technology, and Special Education and Rehabilitation. Interdepartmental Doctorate of Education (EdD) and Doctorate of Philosophy (PhD) degrees are available with specializations in Business Information Systems, Curriculum and Instruction, and Research and Evaluation. A professional Doctorate of Audiology (AuD) is available in the Department of Communicative Disorders and Deaf Education. PhD degrees are offered within the following departments: Family, Consumer, and Human Development; Instructional Technology; Psychology; and Special Education and Rehabilitation. The Master of Family and Human Development (MFHD) degree is offered by the Family, Consumer, and Human Development Department. The Master of Rehabilitation Counseling (MRC) degree is offered by the Special Education and Rehabilitation Department.

Course Descriptions

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