Education Specialties Department

PROGRAMS

UNDERGRADUATE
- Secondary and K-12 Certification

GRADUATE
- Curriculum and Instruction (M.Ed.)
- Educational Leadership (M.Ed.)
- Reading Specialist (M.Ed.)
- Teaching (M.A.T.)

About the Department
Join a profession that creates all other professions! The Department of Education Specialties houses programs leading to secondary teacher education certification in several arts and science disciplines including biology, chemistry, earth science, English, French, health, history, mathematics, physics and Spanish. We also offer programs leading to certification in K-12 settings in music, health, physical education and ESOL. Additionally, the department has graduate programs for in-service teachers who wish to further their education by enhancing their pedagogical knowledge and skills. Advanced certification programs in Educational Leadership, Reading Specialist and the Master of Education in Curriculum and Instruction for those who are interested in a generalist degree are also offered at the graduate level.

A Vision for Excellence
Our vision for excellence in education is based on the recognition that education is dynamic and ever changing; as a result, we prepare educators who are competent and adaptable to the changes prevalent in the world and the teaching field. We provide nationally distinctive programming by:
- Preparing professionals who possess the vision, knowledge and skills necessary to promote excellence and high achievement in the schools, and who are reflective about their own practices.
- Enhancing and strengthening understanding of diversity.
- Meeting community and regional educational needs.

Using technology and inquiry-based activities to enhance learning.

Classroom Success
We offer a diversity of cost-effective programs catering to those seeking initial as well as those seeking advanced specialist degrees. Field-based experience is emphasized throughout our programs. Faculty with extensive expertise in their subject areas are available for ongoing advising in a supportive environment, committed to meeting student needs. The Department of Education Specialties has strong relationships with public schools in Maryland and surrounding states. We provide opportunities for international study. All our programs meet state and national standard with NCATE accreditation. Our small class sizes allow for the maximum student teacher interaction. Our excellence in teaching is evidenced by the high number of alumni who earn the honor of being recognized by their counties as Teachers of the Year. Several of our alumni have earned State Teacher of the Year awards in Maryland and Delaware. Through the “Learn Where You Work” grant, teachers who are employed in one of Maryland’s Eastern Shore counties but live in a bordering state receive a waiver and pay in-state tuition.

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- Chemistry
- Earth Science
- English
- ESOL
- French
- History
- Mathematics
- Music
- Physics
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