

Education—Secondary

At UW-Eau Claire

A dynamic series of courses and experiences emphasizing reflection and decision-making in teaching will help you develop knowledge and process skills and attitudes necessary for effective teaching. At the completion of a program, students are ready to assume responsibilities for classroom teaching and are prepared to continue developing as a professional. UW-Eau Claire has earned an excellent reputation for the quality of prepared teachers for secondary schools, and has graduates employed throughout Wisconsin and the United States.

The Secondary Education major prepares students to teach in the following areas:

The Department of Education Studies prepares teachers for elementary, middle level and high school classrooms through the following programs:

- Secondary Education; Option B (early adolescence through adolescence) - ages 10-21, grades 5-12
- Secondary Education; Option C (early childhood through adolescence) - ages 6-21; grades K-12

Classroom experience — early and often

Students have the opportunity to experience work in classrooms even before they enter the

program. In your sophomore year, you will assist teachers in elementary, middle and secondary school learning environments to become acquainted with the responsibilities of teaching and the organization of schools in general. In your junior year, you receive classroom teaching experience by serving as a teacher assistant. Finally, a full semester of student teaching or interning is required during your senior year.

Diverse teaching perspectives

In addition to traditional student teaching placement options you may

choose to participate in overseas student teaching experiences through Educators Abroad and still meet Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction requirements. You also have the opportunity to student teach in the Milwaukee Public Schools or the Aldine School District in Houston, Texas.

Accreditation

Our Education Studies programs are accredited by Northcentral Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools and the Wisconsin Department Public Instruction.



"The Education program here at UW-Eau Claire is second to none! I have yet to meet a professor who doesn't spark my interest and bring out my best. The abilities I have gained in the areas of self-awareness, articulation and rhetorical thinking have helped me immensely in all areas of my education, as well as in everyday life."

— Thurgood

Program admission requirements

Admission to the UW-Eau Claire Teacher Education MCEA (Secondary) program requires passing the Praxis I test of math, reading and writing, or have the required ACT/SAT/GRE scores as well as demonstrating success in the university's pre-program course (ES212). Admission the pre-program

requires achieving a 2.75 minimum grade point average and earning a grade of C or higher in Blugold Seminar in Critical Reading & Writing. Additionally, content departments have requirements for admission which focus predominantly on content knowledge. Students are

admitted on a selective and limited basis from a pool of candidates who meet minimum criteria.

To learn more about the sequence that students should follow to successfully move through the program, visit the Education Studies website at www.uwec.edu/ES/.

Majors and Minors

CERTIFICATION to teach ages 10-21, grades 5-12 (Option B)

Students who pursue this option are required to complete a major and minor, double major or comprehensive major, and a professional sequence consisting of teaching methods and related courses. Completion of the program provides certification to teach at the junior high/middle school, high school and post-high school levels. Following is a list of programs for teaching majors:

Comprehensive Majors (require no minor)

- Earth and Space Science
- English
- Physical Science
- Physics - Mathematics with Mathematics emphasis
- Physics - Mathematics with Physics emphasis
- Social Studies

Majors

- Biology
- Chemistry
- Economics
- English
- Geography
- History
- Mathematics
- Physics
- Political Science
- Sociology

Minors

- Biology
- Chemistry
- Coaching
- Economics
- English
- French
- Geography
- Geology
- German
- History
- Learning Disabilities
- Library Science
- Mathematics
- Physics
- Political Science
- Sociology
- Spanish
- Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL)
- Theatre Arts

CERTIFICATION to teach ages 6-21, grades K-12 (Option C)

Students who pursue this option are required to complete a major and minor, double major or comprehensive major, and a professional sequence consisting of teaching methods and related courses. Completion of the program leads to K-12 licensure. Following is a list of comprehensive majors and minors approved for teaching majors:

Comprehensive Majors (require no minor)

- Art
- Latin American Studies
- Music/Choral/ General
- Kinesiology
- French
- German
- Spanish
- Theatre Arts

Minors

- Adaptive Physical Education (with Kinesiology major)
- French
- German
- Spanish
- Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL)

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Be a Blugold and find out!

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