College of Education

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Departments

Counseling, Educational Leadership, Educational and School Psychology, 316-978-3325 — Jody Fiorini, department head; Susan Bray, graduate coordinator, Counseling; Marlene Schommer-Aikins, graduate coordinator, Educational Psychology; Jody Fiorini, graduate coordinator, School Psychology; Jean Patterson, graduate coordinator, Educational Leadership (EdD); Kristin Sherwood, graduate coordinator, Educational Leadership (MEd)

Curriculum and Instruction, 316-978-3322 — Kim McDowell, department head; Mara Alagic, graduate coordinator, Learning and Instructional Design; Janice Ewing, graduate coordinator, Master of Arts in Teaching; Donna Sayman, graduate coordinator, Special Education

Human Performance Studies, 316-978-3340 — Michael Rogers, chairperson and graduate coordinator, Exercise Science

Sport Management, 316-978-5445 — Mark Vermillion, department head; Wonyoung Kim, graduate coordinator

Graduate Degree Programs

The College of Education offers programs leading to the:

• Master of Arts in Teaching (MAT),
• Master of Education (MEd) in:  
  • counseling,  
  • educational leadership,  
  • educational psychology,  
  • exercise science,  
  • learning and instructional design,  
  • sport management, and  
  • special education,  
• Specialist in Education (EdS) in school psychology, and  
• Doctor of Education (EdD) in educational leadership.

Admission Requirements

Specific admission requirements for each degree specialization are described in each department’s section of the Graduate Catalog. Applicants for admission should review admission criteria well in advance of intended enrollment dates to allow sufficient time for the admission process to be completed. Several programs require submission of scores from examinations (e.g., Graduate Record Examination), as well as transcripts and letters of reference.

Minimum admission requirements for full standing include a bachelor’s degree from a regionally accredited institution and a grade point average of at least 2.750 (including any postbachelor’s graduate work). The student should have no more than 9 credit hours of background deficiencies in the major field of graduate study desired. For most College of Education degree programs, admission requirements exceed these minimums.

Graduate Level Licensure

Graduate offerings include courses which help students meet requirements for state licensure as principals, district school administrators, school counselors, professional counselors, early childhood teachers, English as a second language/bilingual education teachers, special education teachers, reading specialists, and school psychologists.

Initial Teacher Licensure

Both undergraduates and degree/nondegree graduate students may pursue initial licensure as a teacher (PreK–12 schools) through Wichita State University. Interested individuals should contact the Office of Education Support Services in the College of Education, 316-978-3300, or visit http://wichita.edu/education/programs to inquire about teacher education as a graduate student.

Professional Development

Other courses are available to support the continued academic and professional development of educators. Graduate offerings also are available to support careers in sport management and exercise science.

Certificates Offered

Certificates offered by the College of Education include:

• building-level leadership,  
• child/play therapy,  
• engineering education,  
• educational technology,  
• functional aging,  
• higher education leadership,  
• interdisciplinary STEM education,  
• literacy, and  
• superintendency/district leadership.

Financial Assistance

Some financial assistance to support graduate study is available, including federal traineeships, assistantships, and Wichita State University fellowships. Full-standing status is required to receive financial assistance.

Applications for graduate program admission must be submitted by departmental deadlines to be eligible for student loans and scholarships.