TEACHER EDUCATION

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The Davis & Elkins College teacher education program, in partnership with the larger education community, develops dedicated, effective and thoughtful educators who prepare and inspire PK-12 students to engage with their world.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Robust education program
- Dedicated, experienced, and supportive faculty
- Small student-faculty ratio
- Early opportunities for clinical experience
- Friendly, welcoming, family-oriented campus community

CERTIFICATION AREAS

- Elementary Education, K-6
- Multi-categorical Special Education, K-AD
- Multi-categorical Special Education with Autism, K-AD
- Mathematics Education, PK-AD, or 5-9
- Physical Education, PK-AD
- Health Education, PK-AD
- Reading Endorsement
 "Davis and Elkins College has, in my opinion, one of the best Education

programs. I think that since D&E is such a small school, the faculty in the Education department can become familiar with what each of their students need for them to learn best. They build strong connections with us and they are able to relate better to us because of the small class sizes. They become aware of our strengths and weaknesses. If a student struggles with writing a lesson plan, they will help them improve. If someone struggles with classroom management, they will give them strategies of things that worked for them. I am so lucky to be a part of this department." - Anna Ruf, 2023 Graduate.

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TEACHER EDUCATION ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Successful completion of all parts of the Praxis CASE exam or obtained exemption application in compliance with the WV Licensure Testing Directory
- Successful completion of EDUC 100, EDUC 120A, EDUC 195L, COMM 107A, and ENGL 101A in compliance with pre-professional skills outlined in WVDE Policy 5100
- 2.5 of higher cumulative GPA
- Grade of "C" or better in all content and education courses
- Evidence of successful field experience placements (dispositions & course grades)
- Form 26 (Declaration of Majors & Specializations) on file with the Registrar

*Students who do not meet these criteria by the end of the sophomore year may apply for Provisional Admission to the Teacher Education Program.

TEACHER EDUCATION CLINICAL EXPERIENCE MODEL

The Davis & Elkins clinical experience model is designed to create opportunities for future educators to hone their instructional skills. The model is comprised of two parts, the field experience and the year-long residency. Students complete 125 hours through field experience before a yearlong residency placement, which takes place in their senior year. Field experience begins in the freshman year. For more information about the clinical experience model please contact Melanie Gribble, Chair, Teacher Education.

13:1 Student to Faculty Ratio <700 Students Enrolled