The field of teaching is one of our country’s most important social service professions. With a degree in Early Childhood Unified you will have gained the credentials for teaching children – birth through sixth grade – in Kansas schools with a special education emphasis in birth through third grade.

**Internship**

WSU has a partnership with largest school district in the state, Wichita Public Schools, USD 259. All students complete an internship with a school in USD 259. USD 259 is the most diverse school district in the state and prepares graduates of our program to work with diverse populations.

**Cooperative Education**

Teacher Education students may also take advantage of the Cooperative Education Program. Students who are a part of this program gain valuable experience working alongside teachers, administrators, and students within the schools. Along with gaining valuable experience inside the classroom these are paid positions.

**Professional Development School Model**

WSU’s teacher preparation is well-known and award winning. Utilizing a Professional Development School Model, this program has been recognized for its high quality field experiences and its graduates, who are highly prepared to meet the needs of diverse learners.

**Accreditation**

The Teacher Education programs are accredited by the Kansas Board of Education and the National Council for the Accreditation of Teaching Education (NCATE).

**Faculty**

WSU College of Education has numerous faculty members who work closely with you, maintain cooperative relationships with area school districts, early childhood programs and remain active in their professional and research activities. Several have received university teaching awards and some have been recognized as leaders in their fields by professional societies.

**Admission**

When you choose to major in Teacher Education your academic advisor will help you plan your course of study and apply to the professional program. Students must complete their general education courses and a Teacher Education application to be admitted into the professional program.

Students are strongly encouraged to meet with an advisor in Education Support Services.

**For more information**

To receive more information or to arrange a campus visit, contact:

**Marcus Welcome Center**
Office of Admissions
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General Education Requirements

Basic Skills (12 hours minimum)
Must be completed in the first 48 college hours and a C- or better. ACT/AP/CLEP/CRE/equivalent courses or courses requiring the basic skills course as a rerequisite may be substituted for basic skills courses.

- College English Composition (ENG 100 or 101 and 102) - 6 credit hours
- Public Speaking (COMM 111) - 3 credit hours
- College Algebra (Mathematics 111) - 3 credit hours

Fine Arts and Humanities (12 hours minimum)
- One introductory course from a fine arts discipline - 3 credit hours
- Two introductory courses in two different humanities disciplines. One must be U.S. History - 6 credit hours
- Plus, a further study course from the same discipline as one of the introductory courses or an issues and perspective course in fine arts or humanities - 3 credit hours

Social and Behavioral Sciences (9 hours minimum)
- Two introductory courses in two different social and behavioral science disciplines. One must be General Psychology - 6 credit hours
- Plus, a further study course from the same discipline as one of the introductory courses or an issues and perspective course in the social and behavioral sciences - 3 credit hours

Mathematics and Natural Sciences (9 hours minimum)
- Two introductory courses: A Life Science and Statistics - 6 credit hours
- Plus, a further study course from the same discipline as one of the introductory courses or an issues and perspective course in mathematics and natural sciences - 3 credit hours

Program Transition Point Requirements
- Admission into Teacher Education - Completed application packet
- Admission to Teacher Internship:
  a) Satisfactory accomplishment of content-area, standard-driven assessments
  b) “B-” or better in all Professional Teacher Education courses, with the exception of a 2.0 grade requirement in CI 519.
  c) 2.5 GPA (overall, WSU and content)
  d) Completed Teacher Intern Application
- Exit from Teacher Internship:
  a) “B-” or better in all professional courses
  b) 2.5 GPA (overall and WSU)
  c) Successful completion of all degree requirements
  d) Final University Supervisor Evaluation Form
- Degree Completion:
  a) 2.5 GPA (overall and WSU)
  b) Meets all degree requirements
- Licensure Recommendation:
  a) Passes common assessments,
  b) Passing score on Kansas Performance Teaching Portfolio,
  c) PLT passed,
  d) Praxis II content test(s) passed, and
  e) Licensure application

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