SCHOOL OF EDUCATION

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Description
Originally established in 1925, the School of Education is the academic home for all post-baccalaureate programs in education at Saint Louis University. As a school within a Catholic, Jesuit institution, the School of Education offers its students an excellent professional education.

The main objective of all programs is to prepare dedicated, reflective scholar-practitioners who exhibit the knowledge, skills, and dispositions embedded in the conceptual framework of the school. As reflective scholar-practitioners, the shared values that guide our school include social justice, cura personalis, excellence, integrity and trust and respect. Students are prepared to be reflective educators who are able to implement educational programs consistent with their areas of expertise.

The School of Education is committed to the interdisciplinary preparation of undergraduate and graduate students for professions in order to serve as reflective scholar-practitioners and leaders in partnership with and for the human community. The school is dedicated to the pursuit of truth and excellence in all academic pursuits. The School embraces innovative learning through a commitment to diversity and social justice guided by the spiritual and intellectual ideals of the Jesuit tradition. The school advances the University’s mission by its research and service to family, school and community.

The School of Education has developed undergraduate programs that meet the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) requirements for teacher certification in early childhood, early childhood special education, elementary, elementary with mild/moderate disabilities, K-12, and secondary.

Course offerings provide students with classroom and field-based experiences essential to the learning process. Programs are approved by Missouri DESE. Successful completion of a four-year program Portfolio Development is required for certification. Background checks are required prior to field-based experiences.

The School of Education graduate programs offer degrees in curriculum and instruction, education policy and equity, educational leadership, higher education administration, and special education. The school offers the following degrees: M.A., M.A.T., Ed.S., Ed.D., and Ph.D. In addition, the educational leadership programs meet Missouri DESE requirements for certification for the principalship, director of special education and superintendency.

The following programs are approved by Missouri DESE: elementary, middle-, and secondary-school principal, director of special education and superintendent of schools.

The M.A.T. degree can be structured to fulfill Missouri DESE requirements for alternative route teacher certification in elementary, middle, and secondary education certification areas. All programs must be planned with an advisor.

The School of Education Institute for Catholic Education partners with the Educational Leadership program to offer an undergraduate minor in Catholic education and graduate degree programs that meet the requirements of Missouri DESE as well as the catechetical requirements for the Archdiocese of St. Louis and the standards from the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

Undergraduate
• Catholic Education, Minor (http://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/education/undergraduate-programs/catholic-education-minor/)
• Education, B.A. (http://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/education/undergraduate-programs/education-ba/)
• Education, Minor (http://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/education/undergraduate-programs/education-minor/)
• Special Education, Minor (http://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/education/undergraduate-programs/special-education-minor/)

Graduate
• Advanced Literacy Methods, Post-Baccalaureate Certificate (http://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/education/curriculum-instruction/advanced-literacy-methods-pbc/)
• Curriculum and Instruction, Ph.D. (http://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/education/curriculum-instruction/curriculum-instruction-phd/)
• Disability Administration in Higher Education, Post-Baccalaureate Certificate (http://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/education/higher-education-administration/disability-administration-higher-education/)
• Education Policy and Equity, Ph.D. (http://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/education/educational-foundations/education-policy-and-equity-phd/)
• Education Principles and Practices, M.A. (http://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/education/curriculum-instruction/education-principles-practices-ma/)
• Educational Equity, Post-Baccalaureate Certificate (http://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/education/curriculum-instruction/educational-equity-pbc/)
• Educational Leadership, Ed.D. (http://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/education/educational-leadership/educational-leadership-edd/)
• Educational Leadership, Ed.S. (http://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/education/educational-leadership/educational-leadership-education-specialist/)
• Educational Leadership, M.A. (http://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/education/educational-leadership/educational-leadership-ma/)
• Educational Leadership, M.A. & Business Administration, M.B.A. Dual Degree (http://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/education/educational-leadership/educational-leadership-ma-mba-dual/)
• Educational Leadership, Ph.D. (http://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/education/educational-leadership/educational-leadership-phd/)
• Higher Education Administration, Ph.D. (http://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/education/higher-education-administration/higher-education-administration-phd/)
• Inclusive Practice, Post-Baccalaureate Certificate (http://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/education/curriculum-instruction/inclusive-practice-pbc/)
• Special Education, Ph.D. (http://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/education/special-education/special-education-phd/)
• Student Personnel Administration, M.A. (http://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/education/student-personnel-administration/student-personnel-administration-ma/)
• Teaching, M.A. (http://catalog.slu.edu/colleges-schools/education/curriculum-instruction/teaching-ma/)

Faculty
Additional Faculty Information (https://www.slu.edu/education/faculty/)

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