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The School of Education offers a wide range of academic and professional development programs that prepare teacher and administrative leaders for the world of public education (P-16), as well as researchers and university faculty. Hallmarks of our work include research that is integrated with practice and policy; deep, sustained engagement with schools and communities; and authentic, collaborative partnerships with those who share our goals.

Through our Ph.D., Ed.D. and M.A. programs, we prepare students to take leadership roles in strengthening schools, community colleges and universities, advancing research and scholarship, and improving education policy and practice. In our credential program (Teaching Credential/M.A.), we prepare students to become teacher leaders and educational advocates for all children.

PROGRAMS OF STUDY

The Minor in Education is considered a foundation for undergraduates who wish to obtain a teaching credential; enter any education-related field such as speech therapy, school counseling, occupational learning, or social work; obtain a master's degree in education or a related field; pursue a doctoral degree in education; or develop a better understanding of issues confronting education today. Education Minor coursework focuses on social foundations of education, psychology of learning, schools as institutions, challenges of educational assessment, and educating diverse populations in a wide variety of disciplines and contexts. As part of the Education Minor, students also complete an internship in a local K-12 school or other learning context.

Undergraduates who are interested in exploring teaching mathematics or science in public schools should contact the MAST Program (<http://mast.ucdavis.edu>) at their first opportunity. The MAST Program offers seminars that give participants experience in elementary, middle school, and high school classrooms. MAST advisers can help students combine the prerequisites for a credential program with General Education requirements. The Natural Sciences major is sound preparation for teaching the science disciplines offered in middle and high schools. A major in Mathematics will provide the broad understanding needed to teach in public schools.

The Master of Arts in Education provides a course of study for examining research and theory about learners, teachers, schools, and related social institutions. The program prepares professionals to conduct research about the education of children, youth, and adults in a multicultural society. Graduates may assume leadership positions in school districts, state education agencies, and private organizations concerned with instructional research, policy and practice.

The M.A. Program in Education offers (1) a general track that serves a broad range of student research interests and career plans, and (2) an M.A./Credential track that integrates the M.A. with the Teaching Credential and focuses particularly on classroom-based research.

The Integrated Teaching Credential with Master's Degree Program offers an opportunity for qualified students to complete the requirements for both a Masters of Arts in Education degree and a Multiple Subject OR Single Subject Credential in English, mathematics, science, social science or agriculture in a 15-month, five-quarter program. A bilingual authorization in Spanish is available to credential candidates in both the elementary and secondary programs.

The Credential Program prepares students for the teaching profession by immersing them in the total environment of a public school classroom while enrolled in required coursework. The coursework incorporates a theoretical-practical approach to the teaching-learning process, encouraging close interactions among teacher candidates and teacher education faculty. Students complete requirements for the M.A. degree during two part-time quarters following the credential year. This coursework introduces the integration of research into teaching practice, making teachers more informed and pro-active practitioners.

The Capital Area North Doctorate in Educational Leadership (CANDEL) program leading to a Doctor of Education (Ed.D.) degree, is intended primarily for working professionals in schools, community colleges, and related educational capacities that reside in the greater Sacramento Valley, Bay Area, and Northern California. Graduates of this program will be prepared to lead in educational environments that promote learning, equity and achievement for all students. Armed with both real-world, problem-based learning, and scholarship skills, program graduates will be uniquely ready to manage the complexities of educational organizations, effect school change processes and shape the educational policies that bear on the practice of education in the public setting.

The Ph.D. in Education is a multidisciplinary program offered by the Graduate Group in Education, with faculty drawn from education, mathematics, science, social science and humanities units throughout the UC Davis campus. The program provides a challenging course of study for examining research and theory about learners, teachers, schools and related social institutions. Through coursework, apprenticeships and mentoring, Ph.D. students are prepared to conduct research and teach about the education of children, youth and adults in a multicultural and multilingual society. Graduates of the program have assumed faculty positions in universities, as well as other leadership positions in universities, school districts, state education agencies and in private organizations that support teaching and learning in schools and communities. The program offers five areas of emphasis: Language, Literacy and Culture; Learning and Mind Sciences; Mathematics Education; Science/Agricultural Education; and School Organization and Educational Policy.

PREPARING FOR THE STUDY OF EDUCATION

Teaching Credential/M.A. Degree Program

Academic preparation for the Teaching Credential Program includes a completed bachelor's degree and a GPA of at least 3.000. For the Multiple Subject credential, many undergraduate majors are appropriate preparation for the program. For Single Subject credential candidates, we recommend an undergraduate major in the intended area of secondary teaching. Use undergraduate internship opportunities to gain classroom experience in the grade levels at which you wish to teach. In addition to these general requirements, learn about current state and UC Davis credential prerequisites at the School of Education website or call our Student Services Office.

- Classroom experience in the appropriate grade levels
- U.S. Constitution course
- Specific preparatory coursework; see adviser for details
- California Basic Skills Requirement
- For the elementary credential program, the California Subject Examination for Teachers (CSET)
- For secondary credential programs, approved subject matter coursework or the California Subject Examination for Teachers (CSET) for the appropriate subject

Applicants are encouraged to have program prerequisites and testing requirements completed prior to submitting an application. Credential requirements are revised by the State of California. To obtain the most current information, students considering a career in teaching are encouraged to consult with the School of Education advisers throughout their undergraduate career.

M.A. in Education Degree Programs. Applicants to the General Track M.A. must have completed an undergraduate degree with a major in a field that supports their intended area of emphasis. A minimum undergraduate GPA of 3.000 is necessary for graduate admission at the University of California, Davis. Please consult with advisers in the School of Education regarding additional testing or supplemental information that may be required for application to a specific program.

Ed.D. Degree (CANDEL). Applicants to the CANDEL program must meet general admission requirements for graduate study at the University of California. Requirements include a bachelor's and master's degree (or equivalent) from an accredited institution, and a GPA of at least 3.000. In addition, applicants will have demonstrated prior experience in administrative or leadership roles in an educational institution or related areas.

Ph.D. Degree. Applicants to the Ph.D. program in Education must have a bachelor's degree, and normally will have completed a master's degree (or equivalent) in a field that supports their intended area of emphasis. A minimum GPA of 3.000 in previous undergraduate coursework is required for graduate admission at the University of California, Davis. Applicants must demonstrate a high potential for scholarly achievement and research. Individuals possessing graduate degrees in fields other than education are encouraged to apply. Experience in teaching, research, or related areas of education are desirable.

APPLYING FOR ADMISSION

School of Education graduate and teaching credential students are admitted for fall term ONLY. Online applications will be available through the Office of Graduate Studies website at <http://gradstudies.ucdavis.edu/>.

Application deadlines and requirements vary by program. Please consult with a School of Education adviser regarding your program interests. Applicants with underrepresented and nontraditional backgrounds are encouraged to apply.

Minor in Education

No Application Deadline. The Education Minor is open to students in all majors.

For more information, see <http://education.ucdavis.edu> or contact the School of Education Student Services Office at 530-752-5887 or eduadvising@ucdavis.edu.

Steps in declaring a minor in education:

- Consult with the education undergraduate adviser in our Student Services Office
- Declare minor by completing a "Declaration of Minor" form at the MyUCDavis website

Teaching Credential/M.A. Degree Program

Application Deadline. Please see the School of Education website for Program application information and deadlines at <http://education.ucdavis.edu>.

For more information or instructions please see our website or contact the School of Education Student Services Office at 530-752-5887 or eduadvising@ucdavis.edu.

Steps in the Admissions Process:

- Complete Office of Graduate Studies online application
- Submit nonrefundable application fee payable to UC Regents
- Upload official transcripts for all college and university work completed
- Submit to the School of Education any supporting documentation: verification of classroom field experience, copies of test scores, etc.

Applicants will be:

- Screened and scheduled for an admissions interview
- Evaluated and reviewed by an admissions committee
- Recommended to Office of Graduate Studies for admission or denial
- Notified of admission or non-admission by the Office of Graduate Studies

M.A. Degree

Master of Arts in Education General Track

Application Deadline. Please see the School of Education website for Program application information and deadlines at <http://education.ucdavis.edu>.

For more information or instructions please see our website or contact the School of Education Student Services Office at 530-752-5887 or eduadvising@ucdavis.edu.

Steps in the Application Process:

- Complete Office of Graduate Studies online application, which includes three (3) uploaded letters of recommendation
- Submit nonrefundable application fee payable to UC Regents
- Upload official transcripts for all college and university work completed
- Submit to UC Davis your official scores (taken within the last five (5) years) for the Graduate Record Exam (GRE) General Test

Capital Area North Doctorate in Educational Leadership (CANDEL)

Application Deadline. Please see the School of Education website at <http://education.ucdavis.edu>.

For more information, see the program website at <http://education.ucdavis.edu/candel-admissions> or contact the School of Education at 530-754-6664 or candledd@ucdavis.edu.

Steps in the application process:

- Complete the online application for the Capital Area North Doctorate in Educational Leadership

- Complete online UC Davis Office of Graduate Studies application
- Submit nonrefundable application fee payable to UC Regents
- Official score(s) for the Graduate Record Examination (GRE) General Test
- Three (3) letters of recommendation
- Upload one (1) official transcript from all institutions attended
- Writing sample (typically a seminar paper, thesis, or published article)
- Submit a statement of support from employer; a separate document from the applicant's current employer verifying a commitment to Friday's coursework

Finalists will be contacted to schedule an interview.

Ph.D. Degree

Application Deadline. Please see the School of Education website at <http://education.ucdavis.edu>.

For more information or an application package, see the program website at <http://education.ucdavis.edu/phd-education> or contact the School of Education Student Services Office at 530-752-5887 or phdeduadvising@ucdavis.edu.

Steps in the application process:

- Complete online UC Davis Office of Graduate Studies application
- Submit nonrefundable application fee payable to UC Regents
- Official score(s) for the Graduate Record Examination (GRE) General Test
- Three (3) letters of recommendation
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