

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION OPERATIONS GUIDELINES

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EDUCATOR AS LEADER

PROGRAMS AND AREAS OF STUDY

The College of Education, in cooperation with the other colleges of Spalding University, partner schools, and the professional community, will offer a variety of teacher education programs, each leading to certification in the state of Kentucky. Candidates will make their professional career choice in education from the following programs. Upon completion of all requirements, recommendation is made for teacher licensure.

Certification at the Initial Level

Program for Elementary Education Teachers

The BSE and MAT degrees in Elementary prepares students for the State of Kentucky - Grade P – 5 certification. This program will provide candidates with extended field experiences in both Elementary schools across Louisville Metropolitan area. Field experiences will also focus on collaborating with families, community agencies, and within the public school setting.

Program for Middle Level Teachers

The BSE and MAT degrees in Middle School Education prepares candidates for the State of Kentucky teaching certificates which will enable holders to teach grades 5 – 9. Candidates are prepared to teach all school subjects in self-contained classrooms and to teach in departmentalized classrooms in their chosen teaching emphasis (Language Arts/Social Studies or Science/Math). Field experiences will occur throughout the program.

Programs for Secondary Teachers

Spalding University provides a curriculum designed to qualify students for certification as secondary teachers in Biological Science, Chemistry, Earth Science, English, Mathematics, and Social Studies. The overall emphasis is on performance-based practice and assessment, with special attention given to classroom management skills. candidates will participate in a variety of field experiences with a sequence of classroom observations as they matriculate through the program.

Programs for P-12 Licensure

Spalding University offers several programs leading to certification in Spanish (P-12) Art (P-12), or Special Education [LBD], (P – 12). The BSE and MAT degrees in LBD prepares candidates for the State of Kentucky certificates - Grade P-12. Field experiences will occur throughout the program. Field experiences will also focus on collaborating with families, community agencies, and within the public school setting.

Programs for 5-12 Licensure

Spalding University will offer one program in Business and Marketing Education for grades 5-9 at the graduate level. The MAT degree in Business and Marketing will prepare candidates for the State of Kentucky certificate to teach at the appropriate level. Field experiences will occur throughout the program. Field experiences will also focus on collaborating with families, community agencies, and within the public school setting.

Certification at the Advanced Level

Teacher Leader Program

Spalding University will offer a program in Teacher Leadership at the graduate level. The Master of Education program leading an endorsement in Teacher Leader and an additional area may include: Teaching English as a Second Language, Reading and Writing, or Instructional Computer Technology, allows teachers who want to pursue additional leadership training and responsibilities, but want to still remain a teacher to do so without having to complete a full administrative licensure program. Field experiences will also focus on collaborating with families, community agencies, and within the public school setting.

Other School Personnel Programs

School Guidance Counselor Program

Spalding University will offer a program in School Guidance Counselor Grade P-12 that will prepare candidates both provisional and standard certificate for guidance counselor issued in accordance with KRS Chapter 161 and 16 KAR Chapters 3 and 6 to an applicant who has completed the approved program [16 KAR 5:010]. The program will prepare high quality individuals for position of guidance counselor for all grade levels, primary through grade twelve. The program will require field experiences that will include activities aligned with coursework.

Principal Preparation Program

Spalding University will offer an Instructional Leadership program [Principal Preparation Program] leading to a State of Kentucky certification for school principal grade P-12. The Principal Preparation Program will have strong belief in the importance of practical as well as theoretical learning. Principal candidates will be required to complete an array of carefully planned field experiences embedded in coursework. The Principal Preparation Program will combine the candidates' didactic learning with actual experience in a fieldwork setting where they can observe, develop clinical skills and practice the tasks typically associated with the work of a school principal. In collaboration with its partner school districts the Unit will develop and implement an admission process that requires joint screening and selection process to identify potential school leaders who meet instructional leadership criteria. The process will include an interview with a school based program admission committee, a portfolio of letters of recommendation; a record of the aspiring leader's most recent performance appraisal and professional development; evidence of the candidate's ability to improve student achievement; and evidence of school leadership potential.