The mission of the College of Education is to serve the community of Florida Atlantic University by providing effective leadership in areas of research, service and teaching at the local, state, national and international levels, through the initial and advanced preparation of informed, capable, ethical and reflective decision making professionals. Our faculty and students seek to promote and sustain authentic change, excellence and equity in their respective fields and in the organizations and systems with which they are associated. The college's programs reflect changing societal needs and incorporate web-supported delivery systems, current methodologies and research, which bring faculty and students together to improve the quality of education for all in an increasingly diverse, technological, inclusive and global society.

Highlights

- The College of Education is the fourth largest college at FAU and elementary education is one of the largest FAU undergraduate majors by enrollment. It is also one of the most diverse colleges at FAU with 32% of its students representing ethnic minorities.
- Over 95% of employers report satisfaction with the performance of College of Education graduates.
- Housed under the College of Education are A.D. Henderson University School, FAU High School, Karen Slattery Educational Research Center, Palm Pointe Educational Research School, and Pine Jog Environmental Educational Center. These schools and centers provide educational opportunities for those not yet in college, as well as, hands-on experience for education students and university-wide research.

Majors and Programs

TEACHING AND LEARNING

The Department of Teaching and Learning provides bachelor's degrees in education (B.A. and B.A.E.) for prospective and practicing educators. These programs are Florida Department of Education (DOE) and National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) approved. This state and NCATE approval represents the transferability of teaching credentials from state to state. Degree programs currently approved include the following subject areas:

- Biology Education
- Chemistry Education
- Elementary Education
- English Education
- Mathematics Education
- Music Education
- Physics Education
- Social Science Education

The College of Education also provides the secondary education teacher certification component to the following majors offered in the Dorothy F. Schmidt College of Arts and Letters:

- Art
- French
- Spanish

Helpful Links

Office of Undergraduate Admissions
www.fau.edu/admissions

Office of the Registrar
www.fau.edu/registrar

Financial Aid
www.fau.edu/finaid

Scholarships
www.fau.edu/admissions and click on “Scholarships”

Housing and Residential Life
www.fau.edu/housing

Office for Students with Disabilities
www.osd.fau.edu

Office for Student Orientation
www.fau.edu/orientation

Center for Learning and Student Success (CLASS)
www.fau.edu/CLASS

Learning Community Programs
www.fau.edu/LearningCommunity

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EXCEPTIONAL STUDENT EDUCATION

Undergraduate students in Department of Exceptional Student Education (ESE) programs complete an NCATE-approved bachelor of arts degree in education (B.A.E.) or bachelor of arts (B.A.) degree in exceptional student education that is designed to prepare students to work with individuals with mild to moderate learning and behavioral disabilities. Upon completion of the program, students will be eligible to apply for a professional teaching certificate in exceptional student education with an ESOL endorsement. ESE certification applies to grades K-12. Individuals certified in ESE are also eligible to teach in classrooms for students with learning disabilities, mental handicaps and emotional/behavioral disorders.

BACHELOR IN EARLY CARE AND EDUCATION

The bachelor in early care and education (BECE) is a joint program offered by the Department of Curriculum, Culture and Educational Inquiry and the Department of Exceptional Student Education. It is designed to prepare teachers and related personnel for employment in the fields of child care and children’s services, for young children from birth to age five. The BECE will be initially offered at the Boca Raton campus. This degree does not lead to teacher certification.

EXERCISE SCIENCE AND HEALTH PROMOTION

The Department of Exercise Science and Health Promotion offers bachelor’s degrees in education (B.S. and B.S.E.) in exercise science and health promotion. The programs are designed to prepare students for careers in clinical, corporate, commercial and/or community physical fitness and wellness education. Upon completion of the program, students will be prepared to take the American College of Sports Medicine certification examination in the specialty area of Health/Fitness Instructor (HFI), the National Strength and Conditioning Association exam for Certified Strength and Conditioning Specialist (CSCS) or the National Commission for Health Education Credentialing Exam for Certified Health Education Specialist (CHES).

Application Procedures and Testing Requirements

The College of Education’s undergraduate programs have certain standardized test requirements necessary either for admission or for graduation. The following is a general summary of the testing requirements:

To be formally admitted to the bachelor’s degree programs in biology education, chemistry education, elementary education, English education, music education, social science education, math education, physics education, exceptional student education or a secondary education certification component (art, French, Spanish) requires:

1. Completion of 60 semester hours with a cumulative 2.5 GPA
2. Passing scores on all sections of the FTCE - General Knowledge Test

To be formally admitted to the Exercise Science & Health Promotion degree program requires:

1. Completion of 60 semester hours with a cumulative 2.0 GPA

To be formally admitted to the Early Care and Education degree program requires:

1. Completion of 60 semester hours with a cumulative 2.5 GPA

Teacher education majors will be required to satisfy both a background check and the Florida Teacher Certification Examinations prior to student teaching including a Professional Education test, a subject area test as well as the previously mentioned General Knowledge test. For specific information on scheduling these tests, students should speak to an academic advisor in the College of Education.

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