






Welcome

College of Education
College Connect
Orientation 2016



Overview

- ★ Why UW?
- ★ Undergraduate Programs
- ★ Expectations
- ★ Advising Process



Why UW?

- * Our teacher education programs provide opportunities:
 - * work with children in public school classrooms, beginning the sophomore year;
 - * over 40 scholarships with \$240,000 given each year;
 - * dedicated faculty members with teaching experience who serve as instructors, supporters, and advisors;
 - * involvement in education service organizations, such as the National Science Teachers Association, Kappa Delta Pi, the Council for Exceptional Children, and others; and
 - * courses that will lead to additional teaching endorsements, such as the English as a Second Language Endorsement, Early Childhood Endorsement, and others.



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Why UW?

- * Facilities
 - * Literacy Research Center and Clinic
 - * Education Annex
 - * UW Lab School
 - * Science and Mathematics Teaching Center
 - * Wyoming School-University Partnership



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Why UW?

- ★ 85% of our 2014-2015 graduates are working as classroom teachers, most in Wyoming and Colorado.
- ★ Wyoming has the fourth highest beginning teaching salary in the country, at \$43,269.



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UG Programs

- ★ What do you want to teach?
 - ★ Majors
 - ★ Minors
 - ★ Endorsements
- ★ The Numbers
- ★ Magical 15



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UG Programs

Majors: 120-128 credit hours

- * Elementary (K-6)
- * Secondary (6-12)
 - * Agricultural
 - * Art (K-12)
 - * English
 - * Math
 - * Modern Language: French, German, Spanish
 - * Science: Biology, Chemistry, Earth Science, Physics
 - * Social Studies: Geography, History, Political Science
 - * Technical Education (UW-Casper)

Minors and Endorsements

- * Early Childhood Minor
- * Early Childhood Endorsement (K- age 8)
- * Literacy Minor
- * English as a Second Language (ESL)
- * Secondary Sciences
 - * Must major in Science or Agricultural Education
- * Special Education
 - * Graduate Program ONLY



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UG Programs – The Numbers

In General

- * **Class sizes**
- * **College Population**

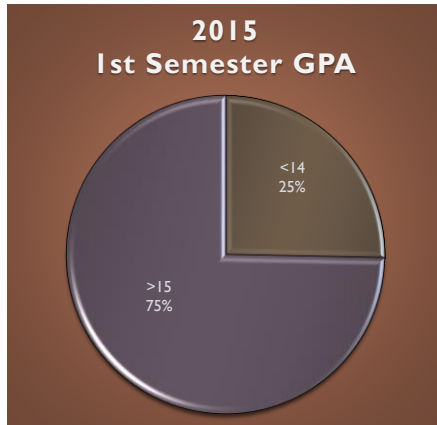
Retention and Graduation

- * **91.9%** persistence in Education for freshmen from fall 2015 to spring 2016
- * **Average** freshmen summer/fall 2015 entering H.S. GPA = 3.58
- * **Average** freshmen UW GPA after Fall 2015 = 3.55



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UG Programs – Magical 15



* Highly Advise

- * 15-16 credits per semester

* 2015 CoE Freshman (n=79)

- * ≥ 15 credits = **3.265**
- * ≤ 14 credits = 2.696
- * ≤ 12 credits = 2.305



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Expectations

- * Admission to the College
- * Background Checks
- * Legal Records
- * FERPA



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Expectations - Admission

★ Incoming Freshman

- ★ ACT Math = 21 minimum
 - ★ Math Placement Exam 2+
- ★ ACT Composite = 21 minimum

★ Change of Major

- ★ 15 credit hours minimum successfully completed
- ★ 2.75 UW GPA
- ★ Approved background check on file with OTE



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Expectations - Admission

★ Summer Bridge program:

<http://www.uwyo.edu/studentaff/step/bridge/>

- ★ Take 6 credits, including a strongly supported MATH class to increase your Math ACT score.
- ★ Scholarship support is available.
- ★ July 25-August 19, 2016



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Expectations – Background Check

Background Checks

- * Wyoming Division of Criminal Investigation
- * Wyoming Department of Family Services
- * \$50 total
 - * \$40 for the processing
 - * \$10 for fingerprinting through the UW Police Department
- * MUST be complete prior to start of the fall semester
- * Criminal background checks are a standard for the profession.
- * Convictions can cause problems for placements and for licensure.



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Expectations - FERPA

- * Family Educational Rights & Privacy Act of 1974, as amended
 - * Buckley Amendment
- * Office of the Registrar
- * Available
 - * Directory Information
 - * Privacy Flag
 - * FERPA Waiver
- * Restricted
 - * Grades/GPA
 - * Attendance
 - * Financial Information



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Expectations - Relationships

Student

- * Pay attention to:
 - * Program requirements
 - * Deadlines
- * Ask questions
- * Talk to your instructors
- * Meet with your advisor

College of Education

- * Assist you in:
 - * Program sequencing
 - * Finding answers to questions
 - * Navigating the UW system
 - * Providing resources to assist in making informed decisions



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Expectations - LiveText

- * LiveText account is required
- * Must purchase the “Field Experience Edition”
 - * \$133.00 from LiveText.com
 - * \$133.00 from the University Store
 - * Can use Financial Aid to obtain your account
- * Account valid for 5 years



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Advising

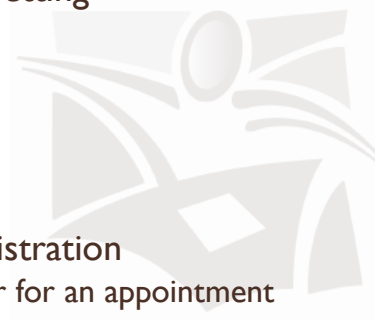
- ★ Process
- ★ Tools
- ★ Progress to Graduation
- ★ Involvement



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Advising - Process

- ★ Orientation Advising - Group Setting
- ★ Semester Advising – Individual
 - ★ Faculty in your major area
 - ★ Office of Teacher Education
- ★ Mandatory for fall & spring registration
 - ★ YOU must contact your advisor for an appointment
 - ★ Come prepared
 - ★ Proposed classes, questions written down, etc.



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Advising - Tools

- ★ WyoWeb for class schedules
- ★ University Catalog: course descriptions & prerequisites
- ★ Program sheets & Degree Evaluations
- ★ Long-term plan



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Advising – Progress to Graduation

- ★ University Studies Program (USP)
- ★ Professional Education Requirements
 - ★ The Phases
- ★ Major Content
- ★ Additions
 - ★ Other Majors, Minors, Endorsements and Study Abroad opportunities



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Advising – Involvement

- ★ College Ambassadors
- ★ Student Wyoming Education Association (SWEA)
- ★ Kappa Delta Pi (KDP) National Honor Society
- ★ Alpha Tau Alpha (Ag Ed Majors)
- ★ UW Science Teaching Club
- ★ Wyoming Student Art Education Association (WSAEA)
- ★ Numerous other student organizations



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