Welcome!

College of Education
School of Teacher Education
College Connect

Overview

• Why UW?
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Why UW?

Our teacher education programs provide opportunities:

– Work with children in public school classrooms, beginning the sophomore year
– Over 40 scholarships with $240K 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.

Alliances for teacher growth & development

– Literacy Research Center and Clinic
– UW Lab School
– Wyoming School-University Partnership
Why UW?

Employment

– 85% of our 2014-2015 graduates are working as classroom teachers, most in Wyoming and Colorado.
– Wyoming starting salaries are the highest in the U.S., when adjusted for cost. (according to information available on: www.edbuild.org)
  • Wyoming $40,827
  • New Jersey $40,143
  • Louisiana $38,748
  • Maryland $38,118
  • Texas $37,995

Undergraduate Programs

• What do you want to teach?
  – Majors
  – Minors
  – Endorsements

• The Numbers
• 15 to Finish
Majors

• Elementary (K-6)
• Secondary (6-12)
  – Agricultural: Ag. Business, Ag. Communications, Animal & Vet Sciences
  – English
  – Math
  – Modern Languages: French, German, Spanish
  – Science: Biology, Chemistry, Earth Science, Geology, Physics
  – Social Studies: Geography, History, Political Science

• Art & Music Education through the College of Arts & Science, Physical Education through the College of Health Sciences

Minors & Endorsements

• Early Childhood Minor
  – Early Childhood Endorsement (birth – age 8)
• Literacy Minor
• English as a Second Language (ESL/ELL) Endorsement (K-12)
• Secondary Sciences
  – Must major in Science initially
  – Biology Endorsement available to Ag. Education majors
• Special Education – Graduate Program Only
Class Sizes

• College population
  – ~1250 undergraduate & graduate

• Retention & Graduation (n. 81)
  – Average freshman H.S. GPA, fall 2017: 3.67
  – Average freshman GPA after fall 2017: 3.38
  – Average freshman hours completed fall 2017: 15.11728

Expectations

• Admission to the College of Education
  – ACT MATH = 21 minimum OR Math Placement Exam score of 2+
  – ACT Composite = 21 minimum
  – SAT MATH = 600 minimum   OR  Math Placement Exam score of 2+
  – SAT Combined = 1060

• Change of Major
  – 15 credit hours successfully completed at UW
  – 2.75 UW cumulative GPA
  – Approved background check on file with the Teacher Preparation & Advising Office
15 to Finish

- All undergraduate degree programs at UW require at least 120 hours to graduate, some more.
- Take an average of at least 15 credit hours in the fall and spring semesters
- Four year degree plans are available on the UW website: (http://www.uwyo.edu/acadaffairs/degree-plans/uw-4-year-plans/)
- There is substantial data showing this dramatically increases on-time graduation rates, leads to higher GPAs, and lower dropout rates.

15 to Finish

- Highly Advise 15-16 credits per semester
  - Allows for a 4-year completion

- Fall 2017 College of Education Freshman
  - 12-14 hrs = 3.298353 (n 17)
  - 15-19 hrs = 3.369781 (n 64)
Expectations

• Background Check
  – Wyoming Division of Criminal Investigation = $28
  – Wyoming Department of Family Services = $10
  – Must be completed prior to the start of the fall semester

  – Criminal background checks are a standard for the profession
  – Convictions can cause problems for placement and for licensure

BRING YOUR PHOTO ID TO ADVISING TOMORROW!!!

Family Education Rights and Privacy Act (FERPA)

• Elementary through High School
  – Gave parents and students right to access and control student’s educational records.

• College
  – Students, regardless of age, determine who will receive information about them.
  – Parents are NOT automatically granted access to a student’s records without written consent of the student

• Includes grades, finances, and discipline records
  – Students can sign a release form to grant parents access to financial information. This form is included in the bill.
# Expectations

## Student Responsibilities
- Pay attention to
  - Program Requirements
  - Deadlines
- Ask Questions
- Talk to your instructors
- Meet with your advisor

## College of Education
- Program sequencing
- Finding answers to questions
- Navigating the UW system
- Providing resources for making informed decisions

## Expectations

### Student Responsibilities
- LiveText Membership
  - ~$135.00 one time
  - Membership valid for 5 years
- Background check
  - Initial (tomorrow) ~$50.00
  - WY Substitute Teaching Permit
    - 60 credits complete
    - WY/US Constitution course passed w/ C or better
    - $100.00

### College of Education
- Mentor Teacher Honoraria
  - Education Studies courses
  - edTPA scoring
Advising

- Process
- Tools
- Progress to graduation
- Involvement

3 components

- Professional Education Requirements
  - “the Phases”
- Major content
- University Studies Program (USP)
- Additions: other majors, minors, endorsements, study abroad
### University Studies Program (USP)

- **General education courses**
  - First Year Seminar (FY)
  - Communication 1 (C1)
  - Communication 2 (C2)
  - Communication 3 (C3)
  - Quantitative Reasoning (Q)
  - Physical and Natural World (PN—6 credits)
  - Human Culture (H—6 credits)
  - UW & Wyoming Constitution (V)

- **Required for all students, regardless of major**
  - Some majors may require specific courses to be completed

### Tools

- WyoWeb for class schedules
- University Catalog for course descriptions and prerequisites
- Program sheets, 4-yr plans and degree evaluations
- Individualized long-term plans
### Advising

#### Orientation Advising
- Group setting
- Notify us
  - AP / CLEP / IB
  - Concurrent college credit
    - Unofficial transcript if you are able

#### Semester Advising
- Individual
- Professional advisors in the TPAO & highly trained faculty
- MANDATORY
- YOU must contact your advisor for an appointment
- Come prepared

### Academic Resources

- Math Assistance Center
- Writing Center
- Oral Communication Center
- Supplemental Instruction
- STEP Tutor Center
- eTutoring
- Disability Support Services
Check Your UW Email

• All official communication from UW and your professors will come through your University of Wyoming email, not your personal email.

• To access your UW email:
  – Go to wyoweb.uwyo.edu
  – Click on the Email icon
  – Login with your UW credentials

Viewing Your Bill

• You will not receive a paper bill!

• To access your electronic statement:
  – Go to wyoweb.uwyo.edu
  – Click on Student Account under the Students section of WyoRecords
  – Select Student Financial Portal
Paying Your Bill

• Parents can be added as an Authorized User
  – See the Financial Services booth outside the Senate Chambers during the Resource Fair, next
  – Cannot see grades or classes

• Where/How to pay?
  – Cashiers Office in Knight Hall
  – By mail
  – Online with ACH from checking or savings account or credit card with a non-refundable fee
  – Installment Plan (3 payments throughout semester, $15/semester, final payment by 9th Friday of semester)
  – Third Party payments through Accounts Receivable

AlcoholEDU and Sexual Assault Prevention for Undergraduates (SAPU)

• Required for all freshmen students
• Online, non-opinionated educational program administered at over 700 campuses nationwide
• Empowers students to make well-informed decisions
• SAPU will provide information about healthy relationships, the importance of consent, how to help a friend, and creating a safe, positive campus.
• Courses open July 23, 2018. Deadline to complete Part 1 of both programs is August 24 and the Part 2 is October 26.
  – A registration hold will be placed on the student’s account if not completed by the deadline.
• Stop by their resource fair table to learn more about the programs.
• Parents will learn more about the program tomorrow morning.
Textbooks, IDs, Parking

• University Store, located in the Union
  – Buy and rent textbooks/supplies directly online and pick up when you arrive to campus, also provides comparison to other online vendors
  – Only Apple® Authorized Campus Store in Wyoming

• WyoOne ID, located in the basement of Knight Hall
  – Access to residence hall, Washakie, library, Half Acre
  – Dining and Campus Dollars for food services, vending, and other retail locations on campus

• Transit and Parking, located 462 N. 10th Street
  – Can buy your parking permit during the resource fair next

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