Wyoming Teacher Education Program

October 2015 Update

Kenya Classroom Project
Dr. John Kambutu (Department of Educational Studies) and Dr. Lydiah Nganga (Department of Elementary and Early Childhood Education) facilitated the construction of a classroom in a rural school in Kenya, with help from College of Education volunteers. See the inspiring video illustrating their efforts here.

College of Education Video
A new video featuring College of Education students talking about why they are planning to become teachers and how they anticipate becoming empowering educators is now available. See the video here.

Phase III/Residency Informational Meetings
College of Education faculty and staff are holding informational meetings to help students who are applying for Phase III or Residency. Students will submit applications in December of 2015, and the placement process will begin in March of 2016, for students planning to participate in Residency during Spring of 2017. This early preparation allows us to make sure that our students are well-qualified, and that we make a good match with schools and mentor teachers that will work best for all.

Fall 15 Methods and Spring 16 Residency
Over 200 College of Education students are now engaged in methods courses, as preparation for heading out into residency in January of 2016. University of Wyoming residency students are placed in our partner districts, including Albany County School District #1, Campbell County School District #1, Fremont County School District #14, Fremont County School District #25, Laramie County School District #1, Natrona County School District #1, Sheridan County School District #2, Sweetwater County School District #1, Sweetwater County School District #2. In addition, we have a small number of students doing residency in Denver and in other locations around the state of Wyoming.

NCATE Site Visit Third-Party Comments
As part of the ongoing accreditation process, the College of Education will be welcoming an NCATE Board of Examiners March 20-22, 2016. Interested parties are invited to submit third-party comments to the visiting team. Please note that comments must address substantive matters related to the quality of professional education programs offered at UW and should specify the respondent's relationship to the institution (i.e., graduate, present or former faculty member, employer of graduates). Comments must be received by December 20, 2015. Copies of correspondence will be sent to the UW College of Education for comment prior to the review. No anonymous testimony will be considered. Submit written testimony to callforcoments@ncate.org.

Teacher Education Faculty Participate in Data Review
Faculty in the teacher education departments in the College of Education are continuing the process of systematically examining assessment data to improve program and candidate performance. Faculty have selected and examined data to answer questions such as “What are our candidates learning?” “Where do our candidates need support?” and “How might this support be provided?” To implement these suggestions, volunteers from each department will be part of an Assessment Committee that is tasked with continual improvement of assessments and the process of developing a culture of evidence among our faculty.

Teacher Education Dashboard
A new portion of the Office of Teacher Education website provides program information, as well as information about assessments and accreditation. To see the newly designed Teacher Education Dashboard, visit this link.
Articulation with Wyoming Community Colleges = 2+2

Faculty and administration in the College of Education have been working hard over the last year to prepare “2+2” plans for Elementary Education majors, so that students who transfer to UW from Wyoming community colleges can see a clear pathway to degree completion in four years. 2+2 plans with all seven Wyoming community colleges for the Elementary Education major are almost complete; work is now beginning for the Secondary English and History Education programs. To read more about the development of 2+2 plans, click here.

Resources

- UW College of Education
- Wyoming Teacher Education Program
- WTEP Admission Requirements

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