Teacher Education

Why Teacher Education at Bethany?

Bethany College has included programs for teacher preparation in its curriculum since its founding in 1881. Today, Bethany students can receive education leading to licensure at the elementary (K-6), secondary (6-12), and PreK-12 levels in a variety of disciplines, including endorsements in Special Education and English Language Learners (ELL).

The teacher education faculty includes full-time professors who come from a variety of educational backgrounds and years of classroom experience. More than 90% of our graduates have jobs in the field of education within six months of graduating from Bethany College. Over 600 teachers from Bethany College are currently teaching in Kansas, as shown by recent research. The teacher education program at Bethany is approved by the Kansas State Board of Education, and accredited by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education, which has transitioned into the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP).

Additional endorsements may be acquired in High-Incidence Special Education in grades K-6, 6-12, and Pre K-12; English Language Learners in K-6, 6-12; and preparation for Middle Level grades 5-8 Endorsements. Candidates who graduate with a Bachelor’s Degree in Education from Bethany College are qualified to pursue advanced degrees in other educational fields.

Majors

Art PreK-12
Biology 6-12
Business Education 6-12
Chemistry 6-12
Elementary Education K-6
English 6-12
Health & Physical Education PreK-12
Mathematics 6-12
Music – Instrumental PreK-12
Music – Vocal PreK-12
Social Science 6-12

Endorsements

English Language Learner K-6, 6-12, & Pre K-12
High-Incidence Special Education: K-6, 6-12, & Pre K-12

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Program Mission
The Bethany College Education Department strives to instill in candidates the knowledge base, teaching skills, and professional attitudes and values necessary to become exceptional, reflective teachers in a diverse culture.

Professional Education Program Courses
Classroom Management
Educational Psychology
Foundations of Education
Instructional Technology for Teachers
Introduction to Teacher Education & the Teaching Profession
Introduction to Infants, Children & Youth with Special Needs
Social, Cultural, and Language Diversity
Content methods courses
Field experience opportunities
Clinical Practice 16 week experience

“My experience with the Education Department was emblematic of the Bethany experience as a whole. From the first night of class through student teaching and job hunting, I had honest, intelligent, and caring mentors who concerned themselves with not only professional development, but my individual growth and well-being.”
— Colllin Carlson, Class of 2013

Career Opportunities
Teacher of Elementary Education, K-6
Teacher of Grades 6-12 in the fields of:
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Business
- English
- Social Science
- Mathematics
Teacher of Pre-School-12 in the fields of:
- Health & Physical Education
- Art Education
- Instrumental or Vocal Music Education

Endorsements
High-Incidence Special Education, K-6, 6-12, Pre K-12
English Language Learner K-6, 6-12

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100% of Bethany students receive SCHOLARSHIPS
Affiliated ministry of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America (ELCA)

The mission of Bethany College is to educate, develop, & challenge individuals to reach for truth & excellence as they lead lives of faith, learning, & service.

Get involved:
25+ organizations
43 choices of majors
100+ campus events
19+ NAIA sports & intramurals
14 average class size
12:1 Student-Faculty ratio

Lindsborg, KS
Founded in 1881 by Swedish-Lutheran Settlers

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