The College of Education & Human Development (CEHD), established in 1868, is the oldest teacher preparation program west of the Mississippi River. Today’s MU graduates are employed in a variety of educational institutions and non-school settings. The college serves the educational community through research-based professional practice and a variety of learning constructs applied to real-world experiences. The college is a member of the American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education. All programs are fully accredited by the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation.

The College of Education & Human Development (https://education.missouri.edu/) has a number of undergraduate (https://education.missouri.edu/degrees-programs/undergraduate-degrees/) and graduate (https://education.missouri.edu/degrees-programs/graduate-degrees/) programs. All programs that lead to earning a certificate by the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE) (https://dese.mo.gov/) are fully approved by the State Board of Education. DESE accredits all teacher certification programs at MU. The Office of Educator Quality at DESE is working with representative stakeholder groups to redesign the standards for educator preparation including certification requirements. These changes and implementation schedule are communicated to students through individual advising sessions or other university communications. Policies for Undergraduate and Graduate Education majors can be found in the Faculty and Academic Policy Manual (https://education.missouri.edu/faculty-staff/).

Undergraduate

Undergraduate degrees (https://education.missouri.edu/degrees-programs/undergraduate-degrees/) in the College of Education & Human Development include Bachelor of Science in Education degrees leading to Teacher Certification, a Bachelor of Science in Human Development and Family Science, and a Bachelor of Educational Studies. The College also offers undergraduate minors and certificates in Education (http://catalog.missouri.edu/collegeofeducation/additionalcertificatesminors/minor-education/) and Human Development and Family Science (https://hdfs.missouri.edu/degrees/minor/).

Requirements for the Bachelor of Science in Education degree are completed through Early, Mid-Level and Advanced-Level Experiences. Early experiences and general education requirements are typically completed during the first two years of the undergraduate experience. All students who meet the minimum admission requirements to MU and declare Education as a major are admitted into Early Experiences. To be admitted to Mid-Level and Advanced-Level Experiences of the program, students must demonstrate competence in the areas they have studied and provide evidence of readiness.

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Graduate

Expand your career opportunities by pursuing graduate studies in the MU College of Education and Human Development. A range of online and face-to-face professional and graduate education degrees (https://education.missouri.edu/degrees-programs/graduate-degrees/) and certificates (https://education.missouri.edu/degrees-programs/certificates-minors/) are available.

Our faculty members provide a rich environment through their innovative teaching and cutting-edge research. Choosing the right college for graduate studies is not an easy or simple decision. We welcome you to visit our website (https://education.missouri.edu/) or the MU Columbia campus (for face-to-face programs) and meet with our faculty and current students to find out more about the College of Education.

Note: Prospective graduate students must apply to both the degree program of interest and to the Graduate School. The application process may be completed online. Find admission and application details by selecting the degree program of interest in the left navigation column.