

The Jewell Journey: LIVE WHAT YOU LEARN



Department of Education

The Department of Education at William Jewell College produces intentional, professional teachers. Teacher education is a professional program of study that leads to teacher certification and acquisition of the skills and knowledge required for effective teaching. Teachers prepared at William Jewell College view teaching as a moral activity that requires reasoned teaching practice including reflection about multiple factors that influence the learning of K-12 students.

Graduates of the teacher education program at William Jewell:

- Possess strong content knowledge and the ability and inclination to continue to acquire knowledge;
- Are effective at producing student achievement;
- Actively value human diversity;
- Are technologically proficient;
- Research, analyze, synthesize and evaluate new information/ points of view/ instructional practices;
- Practice and acquire new skills;
- Use their knowledge and skills to teach effectively;

- Engage in reasoned teaching practice: to reflect on, and improve their own practice and the schooling system for the benefit of K-12 students;
- Advance equality and justice.

To produce effective teachers, the Department of Education collaborates with other academic departments in the College and schools in the community to provide an integrated sequence of high-quality courses and developmental fieldwork experiences in K-12 schools.

Degree Programs Offered

William Jewell teacher education programs have been approved by the Missouri State Board of Education in the following fields:

Art K-12	Elementary Education 1-6
Biology 9-12	Instrumental Music K-12
Chemistry 9-12	Vocal Music K-12
Physics 9-12	Mathematics 9-12
English 9-12	Physical Education 9-12
French K-12	Social Studies 9-12
Spanish K-12	Speech and Theatre 9-12

Successful completion of any of these programs of study leads to Missouri teacher certification in that



field/grade level and either a Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science degree for undergraduates.

About the Majors

Elementary teacher education, preparation to teach grades 1-6, requires completion of the elementary education major plus a 20-hour area of concentration or minor in a subject area applicable to the elementary school curriculum.

Secondary (grades 9-12 and K-12) teacher education majors must double-major in secondary education and the content field in which they intend to teach. Students who wish to pursue more than one field or grade level of teacher certification must consult an Education advisor early in their program and should understand this will increase the length of their program of study.

Because teacher education is a professional program of study there are many policies and procedures with which students must comply. These policies can be found in the WJC Student Handbook for Teacher Education, on the Department of Education website at:

http://www.jewell.edu/william_jewell/gen/william_and_jewell_generated_pages/Education_Department_Welcome_p5604.html

Admission to Teacher Education Programs

Because teacher certification is regulated by the state, teacher education students must apply for admission to a teacher education program in addition to declaring a major. Teacher education students should apply no later than the second semester of their sophomore year. If students are not admitted to teacher education by the end of the second semester of their sophomore year, they will be unable to complete teacher education within a four-year degree program. Application forms for admission to a teacher education program may be obtained in the Education Department office.



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