Integrated Bachelor’s/Master’s (IB/M) Teacher Preparation Program

Welcome to Senior Orientation!
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We currently partner with 34 elementary, middle, and high schools across nine public school districts.

This model is built upon a philosophy of simultaneous renewal that seeks to benefit all stakeholders.
Program at-a-glance
**JUNIOR**

**Student as Learner**
- Education coursework
- Coursework in subject area
- Seminar
- 6 hrs/wk in clinic placement

**SENIOR**

**Student as Teacher**
- Focus on methods
- 6 hrs/wk clinic – fall semester
- Seminar
- Full-time student teaching – spring semester

**MASTER**

**Teacher as Leader**
- Graduate coursework in methods and subject area
- Leadership, methods, multiculturalism & research
- Seminar
- 18 hrs/wk in schools
Clinic Placements

Typically one school setting for the full year:

• Fall
  – One day or 6 hours a week in clinic
  – Core courses and seminar to learn and practice methods of teaching

• Spring
  – Full time student teaching
  – Seminar to help you process your experiences

Advice for Successful Fall Clinic Placements

- Contact clinic teacher as soon as possible.
- Be punctual. Make up all missed time.
- Comply with school standards for teacher dress and language use. Adhere to all school rules and policies.
- Attend school functions when appropriate and possible (faculty meetings, parent conferences, Open House, PPT meetings, in-service staff development programs).
- Be engaged and active. Ask questions. Seek opportunities to learn. Offer help rather than waiting to be asked.
Prerequisites for Student Teaching

• At the end of the fall semester, you must have a cumulative GPA of at least 3.0 in order to student teach in the spring.

• You may not student teach if you have any incomplete or failing grades in education or subject area major courses.

• Other than your Seminar course, you may not take courses during your student teaching assignment (with the exception of honors thesis course or Special Education certificate course).

Important Details to Note:

• Prior to the start of your student teaching assignment, you will take a two-week course.

• Student Teaching Orientation will be held on Tuesday, January 20th at 4:30-6:00p.m.

• As a student teacher, you follow your district calendar, not the UConn calendar.
The Professional Portfolio

• Continue gathering artifacts to document your growth as an educator. This will ultimately serve as the comprehensive exam required for the MA degree.

• Ask your content advisor and seminar leaders to share the specifics regarding what to include.

• In the spring of the Master’s year, you will make individual appointments with your content advisor to evaluate the portfolio.

http://teachered.education.uconn.edu/programs/ibm/current-students/portfolio-guidelines/
Discussion

Given the broad use of social media, how could you anticipate it being misused and how can you prevent misuse?
Social Media Policy

You are entering a public profession
Your professional behavior will continue to be scrutinized, not only here at the Neag School of Education, but also within the communities where you are placed and in ONLINE settings!

You will be asked to sign the social media policy with more details.

Inappropriate Facebook, Twitter, email, SnapChat, Instagram, and related social media interactions are subject to the Neag School of Education’s Continuation Policy.

Turn your settings to “Private.” Make good decisions about what you put on the Internet.

DO NOT directly correspond electronically, or otherwise, with the pupils you are working with unless supervised by a supervisor.
Important Dates

• Register for ALL spring courses by October 31
• Apply for graduation via PeopleSoft by November 1
• Submit your final plan of study (online) by November 1 (directions will be forwarded to you by early October).
Praxis II Exams

- Connecticut requires a Social Security number (SSN) in order to process educator certification paperwork. ETS does not require your SSN for its own purposes, but will submit it to Connecticut with your test results. Failure to provide your SSN may delay processing of your certification application.
- Make sure your SSN and the spelling of your name is correct when registering for Praxis. Otherwise, the processing of your certification will be delayed when you apply for certification.
- If you test at a center located in the state of Connecticut, your score(s) will be automatically released to the Connecticut State Department of Education. However, please note that the score may not be accepted unless your correct social security number appears on the score report.
- If you test outside of Connecticut, select the Connecticut State Department of Education (state code 7050) as a score recipient when you register or on an additional score report request.
- Make sure you download and keep an electronic copy of your score report.
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Program Requirements

A Checklist

- Be aware of and sign the IB/M continuation policy
- Make sure you are signed up for the NSOE senior listserv: NSOE_IBM_13-L@LISTSERV.UCONN.EDU
- Optional: Sign up for the student membership to the National Education Association. There are some great benefits and savings to you. www.nea.org/home/1676.htm

- Professional Teaching Portfolio
  - To demonstrate growth throughout the program
  - Start collecting artifacts of your learning and teaching this year
  - Ask advisor for more info
- Online Modules on Husky CT
  - Substance Abuse
  - HIV/AIDS
- Technology to videotape and edit

*More info will be forthcoming from Lisa Rasicot
Questions?

http://education.uconn.edu

Directory of schools
Clinic experience guidelines
Program guidelines
Plan of study forms
Senior year clinic evaluation forms
Scholarship information
Thank you for your attention and participation in orientation!