

School of Education

Overview

The School of Education prepares students for various careers in Education, Organizational Performance, and Sport Science. Students who seek to enter education-related professions are known as "candidates." Candidates pursuing teaching, professional school personnel, or administrative careers in schools will find an assortment of integrated programs organized to meet their professional aspirations. All programs in the College are experiential, collaborative, standards-based, assessment-informed, research-guided, and technology-supported. Idaho State University has an institutional commitment to educator preparation. Educator preparation programs are offered through the faculties of the College of Education, the College of Arts and Letters, the College of Science and Engineering, and the Kasiska Division of Health Sciences.

School Structure

The School is organized into two academic departments and two centers/offices:

Organizational Learning and Performance

John Curry, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Chair

The Department of Organizational Learning and Performance offers three graduate degrees - Master of Science in Human Resource Development (M.S. HRD), Master of Education in Instructional Design and Technology (M.Ed. IDT), and Doctor of Philosophy in Instructional Design (Ph.D.) [no longer accepting students] - and an undergraduate degree: Bachelor of Science in Workplace Training and Leadership (B.S. WTL) that focus on organizational performance as it relates to training, learning and development, leadership, instructional design, and performance improvement. The primary discipline is Human Resource Development.

Program participants range from traditional undergraduate students to seasoned managers and supervisors. The degrees are aimed to prepare students to be knowledgeable and highly effective in a variety of organizations in both the for-profit and not-for-profit environments, including education and public service/government.

The Department of Organizational Learning and Performance also offers degree and certification courses for the State of Idaho Career and Technical Education (CTE). Many CTE professionals or aspiring CTE instructors elect to apply the suite of the four required CTE certification courses toward the Master of Science in Human Resource Development degree or the Bachelor of Science in Workplace Training and Leadership degree.

Teaching and Educational Studies

Amanda Eller, Ed.D., Clinical Professor, Chair

The Department of Teaching and Educational Studies offers undergraduate and graduate degree programs in elementary education, secondary education, early childhood education, and special education. The department also offers core courses in educational foundations for teacher preparation programs and Master of Education degree programs.

School Psychology and Educational Leadership

Joel Bocanegra, Ph.D., Associate Professor, Chair

The Department of School Psychology and Educational Leadership offers graduate programs in school psychology and educational leadership, including both public school and higher education administration.

Petitions

Petitions to be allowed to deviate from institutional policies require submission of an Idaho State University Undergraduate Student Petition and appropriate supporting documentation (see the Petition Policies (<https://coursecat.isu.edu/undergraduate/academicinformation/petitionpolicies/>) stated elsewhere in this catalog). Petitions to be allowed to deviate from School of Education policies and requirements require submission of an Internal School of Education Petition with supporting documentation. Internal petitions are initiated with an advisor or course instructor. For petitions involving Teacher Education requirements, an Education Advisor from the Kent Center will review the petition, provide a recommendation, and sign the petition. Petitions also require the signature and recommendation of the appropriate program major advisor, program coordinator, or department chair. Internal petitions are approved or denied by the associate dean (or dean) of the School of Education. A copy of the petition is retained by the School of Education in the candidate's official file. If additional action is required, approved petitions are advanced to the Registrar's Office.