A Pathway to Becoming a Teacher

Declare an Education Minor today!

- Teachers make a good salary with great benefits! Midcareer teachers make an average of $60,000 in Washington.
- Worried about the college loans? The Teacher Loan Forgiveness Program: https://studentaid.ed.gov could work for you.
- Might relocate? No problem! You can still teach in other states and in many countries.

The Education Minor offers:

- **Provisional Admission**: To be eligible for this option of automatic admission to our Teacher Certification Program without an interview, you must:
  - Submit complete application to the Teacher Certification Program by the priority application deadline (third Friday in February) for a summer-only start.
  - Complete the Education Minor by the time the Teacher Certification program begins in summer quarter – all Ed minor courses must be completed with a grade of 2.7 or higher.
  - Enroll in TEDUC 490 and request a Replacement for Education Program Interview document from your professor. S/he must be willing to submit this form on your behalf by the priority deadline.
  - Have a cumulative average of 3.0 for last 90 credits of undergraduate study; 1) at the time of priority deadline, and 2) maintain 3.0 through remainder of undergraduate studies.

- **Education work experience**: Completion of the Education Minor (2.7 grade or higher in all courses) will guarantee completion of 40 hours of documented experience in a school setting, which is an admission requirement.

- **Pre-requisite coursework**: Completion of the prerequisite coursework for the K-8 Teacher Certification Program (see program website for Secondary prerequisite coursework). K-8 Prerequisite coursework:
  - Two (2) Writing Intensive Courses (e.g. English Composition and Literature)
  - One (1) course in Developmental Psychology

- **Equivalent graduate level coursework**: Two of the required Education Minor courses, TEDUC 471 and TEDUC 482 (2.7 grade or higher and must have been taken in academic year 2012-13, or later, to qualify), will count as equivalent courses for two of the courses within our Teacher Certification Program, TEDUC 520 and TEDUC 501, respectively*.

Talk with your undergraduate advisor to declare an Education Minor! The Education Minor is available within the Interdisciplinary Arts & Sciences Program. Learn more about the opportunities it offers: http://www.tacoma.uw.edu/education-program/declare-education-minor-pathway-becoming-teacher

*If not taken as part of the minor, TEDUC 471 and TEDUC 482 (2.7 grade or higher), will still count as equivalent courses for TEDUC 520 and TEDUC 501.