Welcome Future Educators!
Choose Iowa’s leading teacher education program

As a teacher you bring joy and discovery. You build character and foster curiosity. You create an environment that instills confidence in children of all ages to learn, explore and grow.

As a teacher, you make a difference.

Here you’ll experience teaching with hands-on experience early and often. Guided by professors who’ve “been there”. And in settings that range from Cedar Falls to Costa Rica. Few places prepare more teachers than the University of Northern Iowa.

Ready to be one of them?

450+ GRADUATES PER YEAR

97% PLACEMENT

725+ HOURS IN THE FIELD
Program Options

Teaching Majors

- Early Childhood Education
- Elementary Education
- Middle Level Education Dual
- Physical Education
- Art Education
- Biology
- Chemistry
- Communication-Theatre
- Earth Science
- English
- Mathematics
- Middle School Science
- Music Education
- Physics
- Comprehensive Secondary Science
- Technology & Engineering Education
- TESOL
- TESOL: Modern Language
- TESOL: Spanish Teaching
- Social Science A: Specialist
- Social Science B: Generalist
- History
- Business

College of Education
College of Humanities, Arts & Sciences
College of Social and Behavioral Sciences
College of Business
Program Options

Minors and Certificates Leading to Endorsement

Early Childhood Education
Early Childhood Special Ed
Literacy Education
Literacy Education (5-12)
Social Studies (K-8)
Inst Strategist (Special Ed)
Health Education
Coaching
Mathematics (K-8)
Mathematics Teaching
Computer Science
English Teaching
Spanish
TESOL
Basic Science
Biology
Earth Science
STEM Education
Theatre Teaching

College of Education

College of Humanities, Arts & Sciences
Your Journey

1. Begin Major Content
2. First Official Field Experience
3. Teacher Ed Admission
4. Program Immersion
5. Student Teaching
6. Graduate & Licensure
First Steps

Step 1 and 2

- Apply for admission to Teacher Education
- Complete your SING Background Check
- Review this general program progression overview
- Learn how to monitor your progress along the way
Next Steps

Getting to step 3 and 4

- Keep contact with your Major advisor to ensure timely completion of your degree
- Stay connected with the CATS Office about teacher education and licensure requirements
- Progress through the Professional Sequence along with other Major coursework
- Complete additional required Trainings
Final Steps

Successful completion of your program

- Complete Student Teaching
- Resolve Notifications of Concern (if you have any).
- (required for licensure)
- Apply for Licensure
Support

You aren’t alone on your journey!

CATS Office (SEC 151/152)
- Offers campus-wide teacher education student support
- 319-273-2265
- teachereducation@uni.edu

Faculty

Department of Teaching
Website: teachered.uni.edu

Instructional Resources & Technology Services (IRTS)
Involvement Opportunities

Many organizations representing teaching majors/interests including these few examples:

● SEECA (Student Elementary & Early Childhood Association)
● UNICoTE (UNI Council of Teachers of English)
● TEAM (Teaching Educators about Mathematics)
● Kappa Delta Pi (Honors Society for Teacher Education Students)
● CNAME (Collegiate National Association for Music Education)
● SAEE (Student Art Education Association)
● CESA (College of Ed Student Ambassadors)
● SAMLE (Student Assoc. of Middle Level Educators)
TEACH Grant

UNI is in the Top 10 schools of students receiving TEACH Grant

Federally funded grant program
Provides up to $4,000 per year
Renewable for up to 4 years
Comes with a service obligation
  ● Teach in a high need school
  ● Teach in a high need field
Program is administered by the Office of Financial Aid & Scholarships
Questions?

Please don’t hesitate to contact the CATS Office!
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