PERSONALIZING YOUR PROGRAM

This online degree in curriculum and instruction offers several specializations designed to develop your instructional skills for a classroom setting—Adult and Higher Education, Early Childhood Education, Elementary Education and Secondary Education. With each specialty area, you may choose to pursue either a program in which only coursework is required or a program in which you complement less coursework with a research project. The coursework only option (Plan C), requires a minimum of 35 credit hours in order to graduate. If you select the research option, you must complete a minimum of 32 credit hours including EDER 788 Research Problems (Plan B). Whichever path you select, you will have the benefit of all of your online education classes being recorded and archived, so you can access them when needed.

You can also choose to pursue the program’s English as a Second Language coursework, which leads to the K-12 English as a New Language endorsement on a teaching certificate.

Note: This degree does not lead to a South Dakota teaching certificate nor does it lead to an endorsement on the South Dakota teaching certificate. It is ideally suited for already certified teachers seeking to further develop their skills and for those who work in a role where certification is not an issue such as post-secondary education and staff development.

CONSIDERING YOUR FINANCES

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Acquire knowledge and skills in designing programs, teaching at the collegiate level, considering the stages of adult development, facilitating effective group work and assessing educational comprehension amongst adults.

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Gain resources and information to engage with children at various developmental stages. Expand your knowledge base of current educational and developmental issues, theories, and appropriate methodologies for your classroom and beyond.

Building a Foundation for Learning—ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

Broaden your skill base for incorporating diverse fields of information in your teaching, assessing the learning of your students, engaging current educational issues, keeping exceptional learners stimulated, utilizing technology organically in the classroom and understanding advanced concepts in educational psychology.

Preparing Students for their Future—SECONDARY EDUCATION

Strengthen your current teaching techniques—helping students interpret information, assessing their knowledge retention, engaging current educational issues, challenging each student according to their learning abilities, integrating technology into assignments and planning curriculum in line with advanced educational psychology.

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