

# COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

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The College of Education at Wayne State University is located in, and serves the needs of, one of the nation's largest metropolitan areas. Thus, the College reflects the dynamic character of urban life, and, in its concern with urban problems, places great faith in education as the means by which human circumstances can be improved. To this end, the College prepares educators who have the knowledge, commitment and competence to help young people achieve academic success, preserve individuality, develop democratic values, and realize self-fulfillment.

Professional field experiences are an important aspect of the preparation program; they bring the prospective teacher face-to-face with the realities of the classroom, the school and the community, as well as provide opportunities for participation in the study, research and analysis of contemporary educational issues. These field experiences are scheduled in numerous school districts, community and cultural institutions throughout the metropolitan Detroit area.

As society has been altered by such factors as the development of knowledge, technological advances and population growth, the purposes and processes of education have changed. New technologies of instruction are evolving rapidly and offer the prospective teacher many opportunities for developing a high level of teaching competence. Problems generated in our urban society are complex, and those related to education are no exception. Yet, the opportunities for curriculum innovation, experimentation and leadership have never been greater.

## Accreditation

Wayne State University is accredited by the Higher Learning Commission. The College of Education's teacher certification programs are accredited by the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP).