

# Education

## Interest Area

For students interested in a career that will have a meaningful impact on the success of students in the K-12 system.

The education minor at Binghamton University provides a strong foundation for further work in education at the graduate level and provides pertinent information and experiences that expand the students' understanding of career opportunities.

The vast field of education includes positions such as classroom teachers (elementary, secondary, etc.); educational and career counselors; school building; district and business administrators; education lawyer or policymaker; or other potential educational careers in settings in New York, across the U.S. and internationally.

## First Year Courses

Because Binghamton University does not offer an undergraduate major in education, students who wish to pursue this field at the undergraduate level will pursue a liberal arts major applicable to the discipline in which they wish to teach.

Examples of these majors include: English, history, chemistry, physics, biology, earth science, romance languages (French, Italian, Spanish), mathematics, etc. Introductory courses in the desired area of study are appropriate for first- year students.

Elementary education students may also major in any of the above but should take foundation courses in those disciplines for which they will be responsible including science, math, English, social studies, music and art and language.

## Beyond the First Year

Students teaching at all levels are also encouraged to take additional courses that will help them gain insight into the diversity of issues their students will bring to the classroom.

## Potential Jobs

Career opportunities for students who choose this field include but are not limited to: classroom teachers (early childhood, childhood and adolescent ); educational and career counselors; school building, district and business administrators; education lawyer or policy maker or other potential educational careers in settings in New York, across the U.S. and internationally.

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