



Dear Prospective Applicant:

We welcome your interest in applying for admission to The American University School of Education, Teaching and Health's Teacher Education Program. **Prerequisites for admission include:**

- ◆ A cumulative grade point average of **2.70** or higher. Secondary applicants also must have at least a **3.0** in their major.
- ◆ Completion of Schools and Society (EDU.200), Psychology of Education (EDU.320), Field Experience: Observation and Analysis (EDU.321), the College Writing sequence (LIT.100 and LIT.101), and Finite Mathematics (MATH-150).
- ◆ A passing score (as set by the District of Columbia teacher licensing agency) on the **PRAXIS I**: Academic Skills Assessment. (Reading: 172, Writing: 171, Math: 174)

To prepare your application for admission:

- ◆ Complete the "Application for Admission to The American University Teacher Education Program." The application includes biographical data, a self-rating scale, and a personal essay. Responses should be typed or hand-printed on the form, with the exception of the essay, which should be attached.
- ◆ Include a professional **resume** of your work, education, and relevant personal experiences.
- ◆ Include a copy of your **transcript**. (It does not need to be an official copy.)
- ◆ Obtain **two recommendations**. Both must be from professors at The American University, including one from a School of Education faculty. Provide each reference with an envelope addressed to the Teacher Education Office, Gray Hall Room 111.
- ◆ Include a **copy of your score** on the Praxis I: Academic Skills Assessment.
- ◆ Submit a **Declaration of Major form** with either Elementary Education as your major or Secondary Education as your second major. The Form should be filled out by the applicant later to be signed upon acceptance by the Director of Teacher Education.

Please submit these documents in one packet to the Teacher Education Office. Recommendations can be sent separately. SETH's Council will review your qualifications and notify you of its decision regarding admission.

Should you have questions regarding the application process, feel free to contact me, other SETH faculty, or the student members of Kappa Delta Pi, our education honor society.

Sincerely,

Dr. Karen DiGiovanni
Director of Teacher Education

THE AMERICAN UNIVERSITY
Washington, D.C.

APPLICATION FOR ADMISSION TO THE SCHOOL OF EDUCATION, TEACHING & HEALTH
TEACHER EDUCATION PROGRAM

Date of Application _____

Name _____

AU ID # _____ E-Mail Address _____

1. University Address _____

Phone _____

2. Permanent Address _____

Phone _____

3. Date of Birth _____

4. Summarize any experience you have working with children or adolescents, (i.e. camp counselor, day care, tutor, etc.)

5. Student Status (circle one): FR. SO. JR. SR.

6. Have you declared a major (circle one): YES NO

7. Check all of those listed below which are applicable to your goals.

____ Major in Elementary Education

____ Second Major in Secondary Education

____ Minor in Special Education

8. If you wish to be a secondary education teacher:

a. What is your liberal arts major? _____

b. Who is your liberal arts advisor? _____

8. SEMESTER TAKEN	GRADE	
_____	_____	EDU-200 Schools and Society
_____	_____	EDU-320 Psychology of Education
_____	_____	EDU-321 Field Experience: Observation and Analysis
_____	_____	LIT-100 College Writing
_____	_____	LIT-101 College Writing Seminar
_____	_____	MATH-150 Finite Mathematics

9. What is your current overall Grade Point Average? _____

10. What is your Grade Point Average in your major(s)? _____

11. Who has submitted letters of recommendations?

a. AU SOE Professor _____

b. Other AU Professor _____

How have you been associated with this person? _____

12. Rate yourself according to the following point scale on the items listed below (5=excellent; 3=average; 1=poor). Provide a one-sentence explanation of your ranking in the appropriate space.

a. Scholastic Aptitude 5 4 3 2 1

Explain _____

b. Commitment to Teaching 5 4 3 2 1

Explain _____

c. Written Communications Skills 5 4 3 2 1

Explain _____

d. Oral Communications Skills 5 4 3 2 1

Explain _____

e. Interpersonal Skills 5 4 3 2 1

Explain _____

f. Mathematical Ability 5 4 3 2 1

Explain _____

g. Daily Effort and Preparation 5 4 3 2 1

Explain _____

h. Professional Appearance 5 4 3 2 1

Explain _____

j. Emotional Stability 5 4 3 2 1

Explain _____

k. Teaching Potential 5 4 3 2 1

Explain _____

13. **Essay** – Type on a separate piece of paper and attach to this form.

Please describe your philosophy of education and why you want to become a teacher.

NOTE TO THE APPLICANT:

Successful completion of the Teacher Education Program and requirements for graduation include:

- ◆ **Taking Praxis II tests in your content area**
- ◆ **A complete Teaching Portfolio approved by Evaluators**

Faculty Recommendation for the Undergraduate Teacher Education Program

Student Name _____

Elementary Education _____

Secondary Education _____

The above named student has applied for admission to the Undergraduate Teacher Education Program. We are asking for your evaluation of this student. In giving your comments on the back, please include any information you believe might be helpful in assessing the potential success of this student as a classroom teacher. Be sure to sign this recommendation. Thank you.

SCHOLARSHIP ABILITY

<u>Criteria Demonstrated</u>	Outstanding	Good	Average	Below Average	Poor	Don't Know
Understanding of materials and ideas						
Demonstrated academic and related preparation for class participation						
Performance on tests/written work						

TEACHING (or classroom presentation ability) if applicable

<u>Criteria Demonstrated</u>	Outstanding	Good	Average	Below Average	Poor	Don't Know
Selection of appropriate material						
Organization of lesson and sensitivity to audience						

From past experiences with this student:

I highly recommend _____; recommend _____; recommend with reservation* _____; do not recommend* _____ him or her.

* Please explain:

SIGNATURE _____

NAME (TYPE/PRINT) _____

TITLE _____

DATE _____

DEPARTMENT _____

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 School of Education, Gray Hall Rm. 111
 American University
 4400 Massachusetts Avenue, N.W.
 Washington, D.C. 20016-8030

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