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ACADEMIC DEPARTMENTS

Counselor Education
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Elementary and Early Childhood Education
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Movement Arts, Health Promotion and Leisure Studies
Professor Samuel Baumgarten, Chairperson

Secondary Education and Professional Programs
Dr. Lynne Yeamans, Chairperson

Special Education and Communication Disorders
Dr. Robert MacMillan, Chairperson

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Athletic Training
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Educational Leadership
Dr. Benedicta Eyemaro, Graduate Program Coordinator

Elementary and Early Childhood Education
Dr. John Marvelle, Graduate and Postbaccalaureate Program Coordinator

Health Promotion/Physical Education
Dr. Karen Richardson, Graduate Program Coordinator

Instructional Technology
Dr. Thanh Nguyen, Graduate Program Coordinator

PreK-12 Education (For Educators in Non-U.S. Settings)
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Reading
Dr. Elaine Bukowiecki, Graduate Program Coordinator

Secondary Education
Dr. Thomas Brady, Graduate Program Coordinator

SEAS Core Courses
Dr. John-Michael Bodi, Graduate Program Coordinator

Special Education and Communication Disorders
Dr. Kenneth Dobush, Graduate Program Coordinator

The School of Education and Allied Studies offers undergraduate and graduate programs for the professional preparation of early childhood, elementary, special education, middle and high school teachers, as well as for specialized positions in school and community-based organizations and agencies. All programs in the school are devoted to developing professionals who are committed to excellence, understand best practices and research and work collaboratively in their chosen areas. The school also provides service to the schools, community organizations and agencies of the region. The school conducts an ongoing review of professional standards and requirements in order to respond to the changing needs of the profession. Graduates of programs leading to initial licensure are ready to enter the profession of teaching. During advanced-degree programs leading to the professional stage of licensure and other graduate course work, educators strengthen their leadership abilities and their commitment to lifelong learning.

Extensive field experiences in schools and agencies contribute to the development of meaningful linkages between study and practice. Procedures and guidelines are implemented to ensure that high quality standards are maintained in field-based experiences and that students have experiences working in settings with diverse populations of children and youth.

Students following the curricula leading to a bachelor of science in education degree are prepared as early childhood, elementary or special needs teachers. Students majoring in early childhood education, elementary education or special education must complete an arts and sciences major (for special education (5-12), a major taught in grades 5-12), as well as a major in the School of Education and Allied Studies. Students majoring in most curricula leading to a bachelor of arts or a bachelor of science degree may select a minor in secondary education, which prepares them for middle school and/or high school teaching. Students majoring in physical education earn a bachelor of science or bachelor of arts degree.

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS

Majors

- Athletic Training
- Early Childhood Education
- Elementary Education (Concentration in):
 - Early Education and Care, PreK-K (non-public school licensure)
- Health Education (Concentrations in):
 - Community Health
 - School Health
- Physical Education (Concentrations in):
 - Coaching
 - Exercise Science/Health Fitness
 - Motor Development Therapy/Adapted Physical Education
 - Recreation
 - Recreation and Fitness Club Administration (Teacher Licensure available in):
 - Teacher Licensure in Physical Education (PreK-8)
 - Teacher Licensure in Physical Education (5-12)

Special Education (Concentration in):

- Communication Disorders (Teacher Licensure available in):
 - Teacher of Students with Moderate Disabilities (PreK-8, 5-12)
 - Teacher of Students with Severe Disabilities (all levels)

Minors in

- Coaching
- Communication Disorders
- Dance
- Exercise Physiology
- Health Promotion
- Health Resources Management
- Recreation
- Inclusive Practices in Special Education and Communication Disorders
- Professional Practices in Special Education and Communication Disorders
- Secondary Education minor (High School, Middle School Education or PreK-12 specialist licenses) with majors, concentrations or options in:
 - Biology*
 - Chemistry*
 - Dance (all levels)*
 - Earth Sciences*
 - English*
 - Health/Family and Consumer Sciences (all levels)*
 - History*
 - Mathematics*
 - Music (all levels)*
 - Physics*
 - Theater (all levels)*
 - Visual Art (PreK-8 and 5-12)*

POSTBACCALAUREATE, GRADUATE, AND POSTMASTER'S PROGRAMS

Postbaccalaureate programs leading to initial licensure are offered in:

- Early Childhood Education
 - Educational Leadership
 - Elementary Education
 - Health/Family and Consumer Sciences (PreK-12)
 - Physical Education (PreK-8) (5-12)
 - Secondary Education (Middle School/High School, PreK-12 Specialist)
 - Special Education (Moderate and Severe Disabilities)
- Graduate curricula leading to the master's degree and Certificate of Advanced Graduate Study (CAGS) are offered in the following fields:

Master's Programs

- Master of Arts in Teaching

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- Secondary Education and Professional Programs (in conjunction with several of the departments in the School of Arts and Sciences)

Master of Education

Counseling

Early Childhood

Educational
Leadership

Elementary Education

Health Promotion

Instructional Technology

PreK-12 Education (For
Educators in Non-U.S.Settings)

Reading

Special Education

Master of Science

Athletic Training

Physical Education

Post Master's Programs

Certificate of Advanced
Graduate Study (CAGS
in Education)

Concentrations:
Counseling

Educational Leadership

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Childhood Education

Secondary Education and
Professional Programs

Elementary and Early
Childhood Education

Movement Arts, Health
Promotion and Leisure Studies

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Professional Programs

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Childhood Education

LICENSURE OF EDUCATIONAL PERSONNEL

All candidates seeking Massachusetts Educator Licensure are advised to check with their individual education departments or the School of Education and Allied Studies offices regarding regulation changes that may have an impact on their licensure program.

The School of Education and Allied Studies, through its departments and committees, offers the following state-approved programs leading to Massachusetts licensure and eligibility for licensure in participatory states and territories through the Interstate Certification Contract. Information on undergraduate and graduate programs leading to licensure is found in appropriate departmental sections.

Educator Licensure Programs

Administrator of Special Education (all levels)

Early Childhood Teacher of Students with or without Disabilities (PreK-2)

Elementary (1-6)

Instructional Technology (all levels)

Reading Specialist (all levels)

School Social Worker/School Adjustment Counselor (all levels)

School Business Administrator (all levels)

School Guidance Counselor (PreK-8)

School Guidance Counselor (5-12)

School Principal/Assistant Principal (PreK-6)

School Principal/Assistant Principal (5-8)

School Principal/Assistant Principal (9-12)

Superintendent/Assistant Superintendent (all levels)

Supervisor/Director (all levels)

Teacher of Biology (5-8)

Teacher of Biology (8-12)

Teacher of Chemistry (5-8)

Teacher of Chemistry (8-12)

Teacher of Dance (all levels)

Teacher of Earth Science (5-8)

Teacher of Earth Science (8-12)

Teacher of English (5-8)

Teacher of English (8-12)

Teacher of Health/Family and Consumer Sciences (all levels)

Teacher of History (5-8)

Teacher of History (8-12)

Teacher of Mathematics (5-8)

Teacher of Mathematics (8-12)

Teacher of Music (all levels)

Teacher of Physical Education (PreK-8)

Teacher of Physical Education (5-12)

Teacher of Physics (5-8)

Teacher of Physics (8-12)

Teacher of Students with Moderate Disabilities (PreK-8)

Teacher of Students with Moderate Disabilities (5-12)
 Teacher of Students with Severe Disabilities (all levels)
 Teacher of Theater (all levels)
 Teacher of Visual Art (PreK-8)
 Teacher of Visual Art (5-12)

Students who wish to be elementary, early childhood or special education teachers are required to select a major in elementary, early childhood or special education and a major in the liberal arts or sciences. All teachers licensed by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts are required to have a major in the liberal arts or sciences.

The following majors meet the arts and sciences requirement at Bridgewater State College:

Anthropology	History
Art	Mathematics
Biology	Music
Chemistry	Philosophy
Chemistry-Geology	Physics
Communication Studies	Political Science
Earth Science	Psychology
Economics	Sociology
English	Spanish
Geography	

Students should consult with both their arts and sciences adviser and their education adviser each semester (with a final check the semester prior to their last semester) to ensure that all licensure and academic degree requirements have been successfully met.

It is the student's responsibility to ensure that all required course work is successfully completed for the core curriculum, the liberal arts and sciences major, and the state-approved major or minor which leads to licensure. Students must additionally assume responsibility for submitting all materials to appropriate offices by the established deadlines.

Note: All candidates seeking Massachusetts Educator Licensure are required at the time of application to sign an affidavit indicating that they have not been convicted of and are not under charges for any crime (misdemeanor or felony) and have not been identified by any child protection agency as a perpetrator of child abuse.

Students having questions regarding their licensure and/or academic requirements should consult with their adviser, the appropriate department chairperson or the graduate program coordinator for additional information.

ADMISSION TO AND RETENTION IN PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS – UNDERGRADUATE STUDENTS

All undergraduate students preparing for a career in education which requires licensure must formally apply, satisfy all selection criteria, and be recommended for admission into professional education programs in the School of Education and Allied Studies. Students may not enroll in education courses beyond the introductory level until they have met all admissions criteria and are officially admitted to the program.

Criteria for Admission

The following criteria have been established as minimum requirements for admission to a professional education program:

- Candidates must be matriculated into an undergraduate arts or sciences degree program (with appropriate undergraduate major/equivalent).
- Candidates must provide proof of having attained a passing score on the Communication and Literacy Skills portion of the Massachusetts Tests for Educator Licensure® (MTEL).
- Candidates must have an overall cumulative grade point average of 2.8. This minimum GPA must be maintained throughout the professional education program.
- Candidates must demonstrate proof of proficiency in written English (minimum grades of "C+" in ENGL 101 and ENGL 102 or equivalent).
- Candidates must provide evidence of early field-based experiences working with children or youth in schools or other agencies as part of an introduction to education course (ECED 230, EDHM 210, ELED 220, SPED 202 or PHED 205). The number of hours and placement are determined by the department.
- Candidates must have a complete health record (Immunization Record) on file with the Office of Health Services.
- Candidates must interview, if required, with their individual education departments (check with department).
- Candidates must provide two faculty recommendation ratings of at least "recommend" or "highly recommend" on the forms provided with the application packet.
- Candidates must submit a complete Application for Admission to a Professional Education Program. The application includes biographical data, information on employment and volunteer experiences, and verification of completion of all criteria above. The application will be reviewed to determine competency in written expression of the English language and should reflect the candidate's commitment to a career in education. Therefore, candidates should pay particular attention to correct spelling and the proper use of grammar when completing the application.

Candidates seeking admission to the professional education block in elementary or early childhood education should consult the "Department of Elementary and Early Childhood Education" section of this catalog regarding additional admission requirements.

Note: Teacher preparation candidates will be asked to authorize a Criminal Offender Record Inquiry (CORI) as a requirement for access to public and private schools and agencies during their prepractica and practica field experience. Also, the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education requires all candidates to sign an affidavit that states they “have not been convicted of nor are currently charged with any crime (misdemeanor or felony)” as part of their application for a Massachusetts educator’s license.

Admission Deadlines

Students must apply and be admitted to a professional education program before they may enroll in upper level (beyond the introductory level) professional education courses. Students are responsible for maintaining communication with their academic advisers and for preparing and submitting the completed application packets. Applications are accepted at any time. To ensure adequate time for processing, however, application should be made several weeks in advance of the anticipated date of registration for professional education courses.

All students enrolling in upper-level courses in the School of Education and Allied Studies must have been officially accepted into professional education.

Admission Process

The following is the established process for admission to an initial licensure program in the School of Education and Allied Studies:

- The student receives the application packet from the instructor of the introduction to education course (ECED 230, EDHM 210, ELED 220, PHED 205 or SPED 202) or downloads an application from the School of Education and Allied Studies Web site www.bridgew.edu/licensurefieldplacement/.
- The student completes the application as directed in the packet and returns it to the Office of Professional Education.
- Students will be notified via mail of the status of their application.

ADMISSION TO AND RETENTION IN PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS – POSTBACCALAUREATE/GRADUATE STUDENTS

All postbaccalaureate teacher education candidates must be admitted to a postbaccalaureate program through Graduate Admissions (see the “School of Graduate Studies” section of this catalog). Candidates must submit evidence of a minimum 2.8 overall undergraduate grade point average, passing scores on appropriate sections of the Massachusetts Tests for Educator Licensure® (MTEL), three recommendations and biographical information as part of the graduate admission process.

Note: Teacher preparation candidates will be asked to authorize a Criminal Offender Record Inquiry (CORI) as a requirement for access to public and private schools and agencies during their prepractica and practica field experience. Also, the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education requires all candidates to sign an affidavit that states they “have not been convicted of nor

are currently charged with any crime (misdemeanor or felony)” as part of their application for a Massachusetts educator’s license.

Retention and Exit Requirements

Students must remain in full compliance with all regulations, requirements, policies and procedures of the School of Education and Allied Studies, the School of Graduate Studies, the college and the State Department of Elementary and Secondary Education.

Admission/Retention Appeal Process

A student who wishes to request reconsideration of a professional education program admission/retention decision may submit a written letter of appeal to the dean of the School of Education and Allied Studies.

APPLICATION FOR PRACTICUM – UNDERGRADUATE AND POSTBACCALAUREATE PROGRAMS

Admissions Criteria

The following criteria must be met for admission to the practicum (student teaching):

- Candidates must be matriculated into an undergraduate arts and sciences degree or graduate licensure program
- Candidates must satisfy all admission criteria for professional education programs (MTEL® passing scores, English proficiency, prepractica hours, health records), and maintain continued good standing in the School of Education and Allied Studies.
- Candidates must have a 2.8 overall cumulative grade point average. Middle school and high school teacher candidates must also have a 2.8 grade point average in the arts and sciences major.
- Candidates must submit evidence of having passed all three parts of the Massachusetts Tests for Educator Licensure® (MTEL), including the appropriate subject tests.
- Candidates must have successfully completed all prerequisite courses and prepractica field experiences.
- Candidates must obtain departmental approval (via the signature of chair or graduate coordinator on their student teaching application).

Admission Deadline

The deadline for submitting the completed application packet to the Field Experience Office is **Feb. 1** to student teach the following fall and **Sept. 30** to student teach the following spring.

All practica are completed within the college’s service area at centers and sites established by the School of Education and Allied Studies. Students are supervised by appropriately qualified faculty. In that the practica experiences are intense and rigorous, it is recommended that students not enroll in other courses during the semester that they student teach.

Criminal Offender Record Inquires (CORI) are conducted by placement sites. An unsatisfactory CORI report is a reason for

refusal of placement by the Bridgewater State College Office of Field Placement and cooperating school districts and agencies.

Complaints filed by schools or agencies relative to a student teacher will be reviewed by a committee from the School of Education and Allied Studies. In instances where the student teacher has not met the procedures, policies, standards and/or expectations of the college as set forth in this catalog, the *Practicum Handbook* and/or other college documents, the student may be removed from the assignment and the program.

The School of Education and Allied Studies is under no obligation to make a second placement for a student who has been removed from his/her field assignment for cause.

ADMISSION TO, RETENTION IN AND EXIT FROM PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS – MAT, MED, CAGS

All graduate students seeking licensure must formally apply, satisfy all selection criteria and be recommended for admission into professional education programs in the School of Education and Allied Studies and the School of Graduate Studies.

The following requirements and criteria for admission to and retention in licensure and degree programs in the School of Education and Allied Studies and the School of Graduate Studies have been established:

- All students must be formally admitted to a graduate degree or licensure program by the School of Graduate Studies.
- Students must remain in good standing with the School of Graduate Studies and the School of Education and Allied Studies.

SUBSTITUTIONS/WAIVERS FOR LICENSURE

Undergraduate and graduate students with prior courses and/or experiences that are equivalent to or exceed those required in a particular state approved program may request a substitution by way of their academic adviser through their department. Students should contact their adviser for a copy of this institutional process. Grades of "D" and "F" cannot be used. This procedure is for licensure standards only; consult the major department for degree requirements.

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION REVIEW PROCESS

A student who experiences a problem pertaining to program waiver, licensure or other matters may request consideration under the School of Education and Allied Studies' established review process.

The first step is for the student to submit a written appeal to his or her adviser. If the situation cannot be resolved at this level, the student and/or adviser will then proceed to the department chairperson or graduate coordinator. Should the student's situation not be resolved, then the student may petition the dean of the School of Education and Allied Studies for review. The dean, at his or her discretion, may convene a review board to hear the appeal.

LICENSURE APPLICATION

Students wishing to apply for their Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education *initial* educator's license will obtain application instructions during the educator licensure/career services meeting scheduled each semester during a student's initial internship/practicum. Bridgewater State College participates in the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education's online Educator Licensure and Recruitment system (ELAR). Candidates can access ELAR via the following Web address: www.doe.mass.edu/educators/e_license.html.

BSC program completers seeking licensure through the ELAR system must fill out a Request for Recommendation Form and submit it to the Office of Professional Education.

Candidates applying for *professional* licensure should meet with the licensure coordinator in the School of Education and Allied Studies during their last semester of course work at the college to review requirements and application procedures.

All candidates seeking Massachusetts Educator Licensure are required at the time of application to sign an affidavit indicating that they have not been convicted of and are not under charges for any crime (misdemeanor or felony) and have not been identified by any child protection agency as a perpetrator of child abuse.

LICENSURE TESTS

Massachusetts Tests for Educator Licensure® (MTEL)

The Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education has contracted with National Evaluation Systems (NES) in Amherst, MA, to develop and administer the educator licensure test system. Students and interested persons may contact NES to obtain information regarding upcoming test administrations and registration information at 413.256.2892 or www.MTEL.nesinc.com. Registering, taking and achieving passing scores of the Massachusetts Tests for Educator Licensure® (MTEL) are the students' responsibility and are required for educational licensure in the state of Massachusetts. Registration bulletins and additional information may also be obtained in the Office of the School of Education and Allied Studies reception area.

Students must provide evidence of having attained a passing score (as determined by the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education) on the Communication and Literacy portion of the Massachusetts Tests for Educator Licensure® (MTEL) as part of the admission criteria of the School of Education and Allied Studies.

Students must provide evidence of having attained a passing score (as determined by the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education) on the *appropriate subject tests* of the Massachusetts Tests for Educator Licensure® (MTEL) prior to being placed for student teaching. Students are encouraged to consult with their individual departments regarding program-specific MTEL® requirements.

MASTER OF EDUCATION PREK-12 EDUCATION (FOR EDUCATORS IN NON-U.S. SETTINGS)

This program is designed for individuals who wish to earn a graduate degree in PreK-12 Education for Educators in Non-U.S. Settings. The program is for American citizens who hold undergraduate U.S. degrees and are teaching overseas.

Admission Requirements

- Hold a bachelor's degree from an accredited college
- Have 2.8 grade point average
- Three letters of recommendation; at least two should be from professors and the third can be from a professional employer
- Submit a completed application with statement of intent
- Achieve a minimum GPA of 3.0 for the first two degree courses

Program Requirements

Education Masters Core Courses

	Credits
EDMC 530 The Teacher as Researcher	3
EDMC 531 The Standards-Based Classroom: Curriculum	3
EDMC 532 The Teacher as Leader: From Issues to Advocacy	3
EDMC 533 The Standards-Based Classroom: Instruction and Assessment for Diverse Learners	3
EDMC 538 The Professional Teacher	3

Elective Courses

In collaboration with the non-U.S. setting site, Bridgewater State College will identify course work that meets the needs of the students

Degree requirements include a minimum of 30 approved graduate credits and the successful completion of the comprehensive examination.

Total minimum credits: 30

CERTIFICATE OF ADVANCED GRADUATE STUDY (CAGS) IN EDUCATION

The School of Education and Allied Studies offers a program leading to a Certificate of Advanced Graduate Study (CAGS) in Education with concentrations in mental health, counseling, school guidance counseling, educational leadership and reading. For details, students should consult the counseling, educational leadership and reading program sections of this catalog.

BRIDGEWATER STATE COLLEGE/ UNIVERSITY OF MASSACHUSETTS - LOWELL COLLABORATIVE CAGS/EdD PROGRAM

A transfer agreement is in place between Bridgewater State College, which offers the Certificate of Advanced Graduate Study (CAGS), and the University of Massachusetts-Lowell which offers the Doctor of Education (EdD) degree.

In accordance with this agreement, students who satisfactorily complete the CAGS program with a concentration in educational leadership or reading at Bridgewater State College and who apply and are admitted to the EdD program at the University of Massachusetts-Lowell will be eligible to transfer up to 12 credits from the CAGS program into the doctoral program. Specific provisions of the transfer credits will be subject to regulations described in the *Graduate School Catalog* of the University of Massachusetts-Lowell. Graduates of the CAGS program at Bridgewater State College will be entitled to the same considerations as graduates of the CAGS program at Lowell. Applicants to the doctoral program must submit a completed application for review by the College of Education's Admissions and Standards Committee at the University of Massachusetts-Lowell.

For additional information about these programs, contact:

Dr. Lynne Yeaman, graduate program coordinator, Educational Leadership Program, Hart Hall, Room 222, Bridgewater State College, Bridgewater, MA 02325

Dr. Elaine Bukowiecki, graduate program coordinator, Reading Program, Hart Hall, Room 133, Bridgewater State College, Bridgewater, MA 02325