The mission of the education program is to prepare community-dedicated educators who foster the academic achievement and personal success of children and youth in diverse urban settings. To carry out this mission, the education program provides programs of study in which classroom course work is integrated with field experiences and in which candidates demonstrate their understanding of course content through instructional performance. Field placements provide candidates the opportunity to work with Boston Public School (BPS) students, teachers, and parents in a variety of school and community settings and to link education theory with classroom experience.

Students in the education program may select from several program options. They may pursue a minor in elementary or secondary education or a minor plus Massachusetts Department of Education endorsement for licensure (minor plus student teaching). Students who pursue an education minor with elementary licensure must also meet the Massachusetts Department of Education content requirements, which may be completed through their major and the NU Core requirements.

Undergraduate students interested in teaching careers should contact the education program in 26 Nightingale for information on how to apply. To qualify for admission students must:

- Successfully complete ED U111, “Education in the Community,” including the 30-hour community field placement in one of our community partner agencies.
- Be enrolled in an appropriate major in the College of Arts and Sciences. For a minor in elementary education, all arts and sciences majors are acceptable except human services and American Sign Language. (These majors do not match the Department of Education requirements.) For students seeking careers as high school teachers, the minor in secondary education offers preparation to teach biology, chemistry, English, history, mathematics, physics, political science, and Spanish.
- Have a GPA of 2.750 or higher.

To be eligible for student teaching (a licensure requirement), a student must:

- Pass all required Massachusetts Tests for Educators Licensure.
- Maintain a 2.750 GPA and earn a C or better in all education courses.
- Earn satisfactory evaluations from three previous field experiences.
- Complete all education courses required for licensure.
- Apply for student teaching at least one semester in advance.

Academically strong candidates may also apply for admission to one of the combined bachelor’s plus Master of Arts in Teaching programs in elementary or secondary education. These combined BA/BS/MAT programs include yearlong teaching internships in BPS schools. Upon successful completion, students graduate with both their bachelor’s and MAT degrees.

Students apply to the combined programs during their middler years. To qualify, students must have:

- At least a 3.000 GPA and completed at least 80 semester hours of course work.
- Passed all required Massachusetts Tests for Educators Licensure.
- Completed at least one co-op experience in either education or their major.

The MAT admissions committee also evaluates letters of recommendations, writing proficiency, and the applicant’s ability to be successful in graduate courses. Students should consult with their advisors in both the Department of Education and their home departments before applying. The Title II Report Card of Northeastern University’s teacher-preparation programs is available online at www.education.neu.edu.

Combined BA or BS with MAT in Education—Elementary Education

Undergraduate students apply to the combined program through the graduate school. Once admitted, students may count a limited amount of graduate credit toward the undergraduate degree. Consult the department for information on this program.

Combined BA or BS with MAT in Education—Secondary Education

Undergraduate students apply to the combined program through the graduate school. Once admitted, students may count a limited amount of graduate credit toward the undergraduate degree. Consult the department for information on this program.

BS in Psychology and Education

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Minor in Elementary Education

**REQUIREMENTS IN ADDITION TO BA OR BS DEGREE REQUIREMENTS**

**Introductory Courses**
Complete the following two courses with corresponding teaching preparatory lab:
- ED U111  — Education in the Community 4 SH
- ED U945  — Teaching Preparatory Lab 1 0 SH
- ED U504  — Learning and Accomplished Practice 4 SH

**Advanced Courses**
Complete the following five courses with corresponding teaching preparatory labs:
- ED U530  — Race and Urban Education 4 SH
- ED U552  — Inquiry in the Humanities and Social Sciences at the Elementary Level 4 SH
- ED U553  — Inquiry in Math and Science at the Elementary Level 4 SH
- ED U947  — Teaching Preparatory Lab 3 0 SH
- ED U567  — Literacy Development and Instruction 4 SH
- ED U946  — Teaching Preparatory Lab 2 0 SH
- ED U570  — Inclusion, Equity, and Diversity 4 SH

**GPA/GRADE REQUIREMENTS**
2.750 GPA required and a grade of C or better in all required education courses

Minor in Secondary Education

**REQUIREMENTS IN ADDITION TO BA OR BS DEGREE REQUIREMENTS**

**Introductory Courses**
Complete the following two courses with corresponding teaching preparatory lab:
- ED U111  — Education in the Community 4 SH
- ED U945  — Teaching Preparatory Lab 1 0 SH
- ED U504  — Learning and Accomplished Practice 4 SH

**Advanced Courses**
Complete the following four courses with corresponding literacy fieldwork:
- ED U511  — Curriculum Design and Assessment 4 SH
- ED U521  — Language, Culture, and Literacy in Middle and High Schools 4 SH
- ED U947  — Teaching Preparatory Lab 3 0 SH
- ED U530  — Race and Urban Education 4 SH
- ED U570  — Inclusion, Equity, and Diversity 4 SH

**TEACHING IN THE DISCIPLINES**
Complete one of the following courses with corresponding field experience:
- ED U522  — Teaching the Language Arts 4 SH
- ED U524  — Teaching History and the Social Studies 4 SH
- ED U525  — Pedagogy for Teaching Science 4 SH
- ED U526  — Pedagogy for Teaching Mathematics 4 SH
- ED U936  — Disciplines Field 0 SH

**GPA/GRADE REQUIREMENTS**
2.750 GPA required and a grade of C or better in all education courses