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 EDUC 1111, “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.

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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 field experience:
- EDUC 1111 Education in the Community 4 SH
- EDUC 1112 Field Experience 0 SH
- EDUC 4504 Learning and Accomplished Practice 4 SH

**Advanced Courses**
Complete the following five courses with corresponding teaching preparatory lab and field experience:
- EDUC 4530 Race and Urban Education 4 SH
- EDUC 4552 Inquiry in the Humanities and Social Sciences at the Elementary Level 4 SH
- EDUC 4553 Inquiry in Math and Science at the Elementary Level 4 SH
- EDUC 4947 Teaching Preparatory Lab 3 0 SH
- EDUC 4570 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 Elementary Education with Licensure

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

**Introductory Courses**
Complete the following two courses with corresponding field experience:
- EDUC 1111 Education in the Community 4 SH
- EDUC 1112 Field Experience 0 SH
- EDUC 4504 Learning and Accomplished Practice 4 SH

**Advanced Courses for Massachusetts Licensure**
Complete the following five courses with corresponding teaching preparatory lab and field experience:
- EDUC 4530 Race and Urban Education 4 SH
- EDUC 4552 Inquiry in the Humanities and Social Sciences at the Elementary Level 4 SH
- EDUC 4553 Inquiry in Math and Science at the Elementary Level 4 SH
- EDUC 4947 Teaching Preparatory Lab 3 0 SH
EDUC 4567  Literacy Development and Instruction  4 SH
with EDUC 3521  Field Experience  0 SH
EDUC 4570  Inclusion, Equity, and Diversity  4 SH

Additional State Licensure Requirements
Students must pass the following Massachusetts Tests for Educator Licensure (MTEL) prior to taking the practicum:
- Communication and Literacy Skills
- Foundations of Reading
- General Curriculum
Students must also complete 36 semester hours in Massachusetts Department of Education Categories through the courses in the major, courses in the NU Core, and elective courses.

Practicum and Seminar
Enroll concurrently in and complete the following teaching practicum and seminar after passing all subtests of MTEL. Only 8 of the total 12 semester hours may be used to meet graduation requirements:
EDUC 4850  Teaching Practicum  8 SH
EDUC 4851  Teaching Seminar  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 field experience:
EDUC 1111  Education in the Community  4 SH
with EDUC 1112  Field Experience  0 SH
EDUC 4504  Learning and Accomplished Practice  4 SH

Advanced Courses
ADVANCED COURSES
Complete the following four courses with corresponding literacy fieldwork:
EDUC 4511  Curriculum Design and Assessment  4 SH
EDUC 4521  Language, Culture, and Literacy in Middle and High Schools
with EDUC 3568  Literacy Field  0 SH
EDUC 4530  Race and Urban Education  4 SH
EDUC 4570  Inclusion, Equity, and Diversity  4 SH

TEACHING IN THE DISCIPLINES
Complete one of the following courses with corresponding field experience:
EDUC 4522  Teaching the Language Arts  4 SH
or EDUC 4524  Teaching History and the Social Studies
or EDUC 4525  Teaching Science  4 SH
or EDUC 4526  Teaching Mathematics  4 SH
EDUC 4936  Disciplines Field  0 SH

Additional State Licensure Requirements
Students must pass the following Massachusetts Tests for Educator Licensure (MTEL) prior to taking the practicum:
- Communication and Literacy Skills
- Subject Matter Knowledge

Practicum and Seminar
Enroll concurrently in and complete the following teaching practicum and seminar after passing all subtests of MTEL. Only 8 of the total 12 semester hours may be used to meet graduation requirements:
EDUC 4850  Teaching Practicum  8 SH
EDUC 4851  Teaching Seminar  4 SH

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