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College of Education and Human Development

Continuing a Tradition of Success

• More than 40 major and minor programs to choose from.

• NCATE accredited since 1954.

• Exactly 100% of students in the college complete an internship.

• Awarded over $350,000 in new and renewed scholarships in the 2013-14 school year.

• Is the 1 and only institution in Michigan to host a TeachLIVE™ lab.

• Founded in 1903 as a Teacher’s College, WMU owes its roots to over 100 years of success to CoEHD.
Points of Pride

• The College of Education and Human Development has great outreach, providing about 55 percent of all programming at the seven WMU regional locations located throughout the state of Michigan.

• The College of Education and Human Development has “continuation agreements” with five Michigan community colleges. The agreements allow community college students with a two-year degree to seamlessly transfer to WMU and complete their bachelor's degrees.

• The College of Education and Human Development is housed in the new Sangren Hall, a $60 million state-of-the-art structure that opened in the fall of 2012. Upgraded use of technology and teaching and learning centers are all part of the new Sangren.

• The faculty of the College of Education and Human Development on average received over 3 million external funding annually over the last five years. The amount puts it as one of the top three colleges in grants and contracts production at WMU.

• The College of Education and Human Development has consistently contributed to WMU’s diversity initiatives. It was the first college to establish a college-wide diversity committee and, with the largest graduate enrollment on campus, it shares the distinction of having highest percentage of graduate students from under-represented populations.

• The students in the College of Education and Human Development are making a difference in local communities by their engagement in classrooms, community groups, small businesses, health care settings, and our own counseling centers. Our students and faculty frequently work in settings such as the Kalamazoo Juvenile Home, schools in the greater Kalamazoo, Grand Rapids, and Metro Detroit areas, sports teams, preschools and daycares, WMU’s Sindecuse Health Center, local health care providers, nursing homes and other care facilities.

• The College of Education and Human Development, in conjunction with the College of Arts and Sciences, has hosted 3 cohorts of the W.K. Kellogg Foundation’s Woodrow Wilson Teaching fellows since 2011. The Woodrow Wilson Teaching fellowship program is part of the Kellogg Foundation’s efforts to reform science and math education in America. The 4th cohort of the program will be starting in 2014.
Students interested in a career in education or human development can opt to live in the Education Community. Located in Harvey Hall (Valley II), the community houses 150 students seeking a seamless living and learning experience. The community offers several supports, including: students who are majoring in the College of Education and Human Development, exploring options in education and related fields, events with faculty, staff and upper-level students, and other special events and activities.

To join the Education Community, select it as your learning community option during the online housing sign up process that begins at noon February 4, 2014. It is possible to request a non-education student as a roommate request. Students who sign up by May 15 will have priority placement within the Education Learning Community.

24 Hour Card Access System for Interior and Exterior Doors
- evening guest check-in, security cameras, staff on call nightly

Dining Hall Located in Valley II Complex
- late-night carryout available open 8pm-12am

Public Spaces and Recreation
- 4 large lounges on main level and a small lounge on each floor
- Pool tables, ping pong tables, air hockey and big-screen TV

Coed floor with suites assigned by gender

Suite: 2 rooms connected by shared bathroom

Room Dimensions: 12’ by 12’2”

Furniture includes:
- 2 loftable beds and mattresses
- 2 desks with chairs
- 2 three-drawer dressers
- recycling bin and trash can
Quick Tip!
For priority placement in the Education Learning Community, send in your housing contract prior to May 15. If you choose to cancel your housing contract, please do so in writing to the Residence Life office prior to June 1 to avoid cancellation fees.

Questions?
For more information about the halls visit wmich.edu/housing or contact Residence Life at (269) 387-4735 or RL-info@wmich.edu.

Roommates
If you want to live with someone you know, it is possible to request each other as roommates. During the housing sign up process, you will be asked for the name and Bronco Net ID of the person you want as a roommate. Only reciprocal requests will be granted, and the earlier both housing contracts are submitted, the greater the chance of being placed together. If you are requesting a roommate, both signed contracts must be received by May 15.

Students interested in living in the Education Community can still request a roommate who may not be in the College of Education and Human Development.

If you do not have a roommate request, we will use answers to lifestyle and personal interest questions to match you with someone.

Learning Community Information: wmich.edu/housing/special
Housing and Dining Rates: wmich.edu/housing/contracts/rates
Room and Amenities: wmich.edu/housing/info/room
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PROGRAM MAJORS

Athletic Training
Career and Technical Education
Child and Family Development
Dietetics
Early Childhood Education
Elementary Education
Exercise Science
Family Studies
Food Service Administration
Health Education (Community or School)
Interior Design
Physical Education (Teacher/Coach)
Recreation/Sport Management
Secondary Education
Special Education
Textile and Apparel Studies

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ABOUT THE PROGRAM
Program graduates are highly educated and skilled allied health professionals specializing in athletic health care. Students learn in an actively engaging academic environment as well as in extensive clinical education assignments. Graduates of the Athletic Training program are eligible to sit for the national Board of Certification examination.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES
Certified Athletic Trainers work in a variety of settings from traditional professional, college and high school sports medicine programs to Sports Medicine Clinics, Industrial settings and Performing Arts environments. Athletic Trainers also work in physician practices as a Physician Extender.

PROGRAM STRENGTHS
Students in the Athletic Training program are provided with an exciting and comprehensive educational experience in the classroom and during assigned clinical rotation experiences in a variety of settings including intercollegiate athletics at the Division I and III levels, high schools, sports medicine clinics and a variety of special athletic events in the greater Kalamazoo area.
The WMU model for Career and Technical Education involves a core of professional education courses and an intern teaching experience taken by all CTE students, which is instructed and supervised by faculty from the College of Education and Human Development. Technical content requirements are delivered by faculty from the Colleges of Business, Engineering and Health and Human Services depending upon the selected major or minor.

This program leads to the following career opportunities: K-12 Teacher, Educational Resource, Educational Administrator, Corporate Training and Education, Adult Education Teacher, Curriculum Specialist, Educational Publisher, Regional CTE Coordinator, Child Life Specialist, Corporate Education Coordinator, Employee Training Instructor, Postsecondary Education Coordinator, and Grant Writer.

The Career and Technical Education program is unique in that it provides students with two career options: one in education and one in the business industry. It is a growing and high need content area and most graduates are presented with job opportunities shortly after graduation.
ABOUT THE PROGRAM

This program prepares students to effectively engage people in changing negative health behaviors, while at the same time altering their environments to help support healthy behaviors. Graduates are skilled at preventing disease and other health related problems in a variety of populations.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates typically work in hospitals, worksite health promotion programs, local health departments, public health departments, and a variety of community-based organizations, such as substance abuse agencies, pregnancy prevention programs, HIV/AIDS prevention programs, and heart and cancer associations. “Health educator” has been identified by the US Bureau of Labor as one of the most needed job positions for the future.

PROGRAM STRENGTHS

Coursework includes numerous hands on and practical experiences and projects, where students apply skills to engage in real life problems existing within communities. At the end of the program, students complete a 400-600 internship working in a community agency.

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DIETETICS

DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCES

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Dietetics is an allied health field that builds on the foundation of life and social sciences. The program provides graduates with foundational knowledge in dietetics and related disciplines, and the opportunity to develop professional skills and attitudes that will prepare them for post-graduate internships, advanced degree programs, and entry-level employment in dietetics related fields.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

A degree in Dietetics will prepare you for many exciting careers such as: Consulting Dietitian, Clinical Dietitian, Director of Food and Nutrition Services, Director of School Dining Services, Food Service Dietitian, Public Health/Community Dietitian, Research Dietitian, Nutrition Educator, Instructor/Professor at Institutions of Higher Education, Food and Nutrition Writer, Corporate Dietitian, Sports Dietitian.

PROGRAM STRENGTHS

The WMU Didactic Program in Dietetics (DPD) leads to a Bachelor of Science degree and is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics (ACEND) of the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics. Program graduates are eligible to apply for post-graduate internship programs.

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EARLY CHILDHOOD
ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

DEPARTMENT OF TEACHING, LEARNING AND EDUCATIONAL STUDIES

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Provides elementary and special education students with an Early Childhood Specialist (ZS) endorsement that uniquely qualifies them to work with children, including those with special needs, from birth through 3rd grade in a variety of educational settings and programs. To earn this credential students must complete additional coursework in child development and assessment, general and special early childhood education curriculum, family and community relationships, leadership and administration.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Early childhood education is a growing field due to expanded funding for high quality preschools at both the state and federal levels. There are many different jobs available for Early Childhood Specialists including: Infant/Toddler/Preschool Teacher; Early Interventionist; Early Childhood Special Education Teacher; Childcare Center Administrator; Elementary Education Teacher; Curriculum and Professional Development Specialist.

PROGRAM STRENGTHS

The Early Childhood Education program provides internship opportunities in 5-star quality private and public preschools; placements in high-quality urban, rural and suburban child care centers including the NAEYC accredited Children’s Center on WMU’s campus; field-based assessment and curriculum classes in Pre-K through 3rd grade and preparation to work effectively with children including those with special needs.
ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The Elementary Professional Education program includes coursework and experiences leading to Michigan K-8 certification. Students must complete content and methods courses in language arts, mathematics, science and social studies and complete a content major or two minors in the subjects listed above. The program is NCATE/CAEP accredited.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates of the Elementary Education option can be certified to teach:

• Kindergarten - 5 in all subjects
• Grades 6 - 8 in content area major or minors
• Kindergarten - 8 in all subjects when teaching in a self-contained classroom—one in which the majority of instruction is provided by a single teacher.

PROGRAM STRENGTHS

Students in the Elementary Education program have the opportunity to be a part of a program cohort where support and guidance are available. They will work closely with children in our local schools, grades K-8 in classes and during required part-time and full time internships. Finally, all students develop an electronic portfolio to represent professional expertise.
EXERCISE SCIENCE

DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN PERFORMANCE AND HEALTH EDUCATION

ABOUT THE PROGRAM
The undergraduate exercise science major is designed to prepare students to pursue careers focusing on exercise programming and supervision in fitness, athletic, or clinically-based settings. Students are also prepared to pursue graduate degrees in programs such as exercise physiology, physical therapy, and medicine.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES
A degree in Recreation will prepare you for many exciting careers such as: Personal Trainer/Group Exercise Instructor, Strength and Conditioning Coach, Cardiac Rehabilitation Specialist, Corporate Wellness Coach/Coordinator. Students are also prepared to apply to the following advanced graduate and professional degrees: Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy, Physician Assistant, Chiropractic Medicine, Medicine, Exercise Physiology, Biomechanic

PROGRAM STRENGTHS
The program includes a culminating 450 hour practical internship in your desired career. All undergraduate Exercise Science students are invited to join the student group, ExSci. Benefits of joining the group include: career-related volunteer opportunities, service projects on campus and in the community, travel to professional conferences, and networking with friends and peers with similar interests and goals.
The Family Studies program offers two majors: Family Studies and Child & Family Development. These inter-disciplinary majors are designed with flexibility for students to complete their major either on the main campus or primarily online. The program includes knowledge about how families work, the inter-relationship of the family and society, human growth and development throughout the life span and much more.

Those who complete the Family Studies major have found work as: Family Life Educator, Adult Education Instructor, Community Education Director, Drug Prevention Specialist, Family Case Manager, Foster Care Specialist, Juvenile Probation Officer, Project Manager, Social Services Director, Military Family Life Specialists, Director of a Childcare Center, Child Life Specialist, Parent Educator, Birth to Pre-Kindergarten Teacher/Caregiver.

The Family Studies program allows for graduates to be eligible to become Certified Family Life Educators and to be approved by the National Council on Family Relations. The program includes exciting courses both online and on main campus as well as multiple internship opportunities.
The food service administration program provides an in-depth study of foods in relation to the business field. Students may pursue supervisory/managerial careers in commercial food institutions in the equipment field, food research, public utility companies, mass media productions, quality testing, technical writing and governmental food agencies.

Career Opportunities
The program options leading to a bachelor of science in food service administration has many career possibilities: Restaurant manager, Food service manager, Food service director, Food and beverage manager, Banquet manager, Restaurant general manager, Catering manager, Food and beverage director, Kitchen manager, Dining room manager.

Program Strengths
The Food Service Administration program has an emphasis in sustainable food systems and will have a newly revised curriculum starting in the fall of 2014 which will be flexible with many electives. It is also a hybrid program with online courses offered. Exciting internships are available to students as well!
INTERIOR DESIGN
DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCES

ABOUT THE PROGRAM

Interior Design at WMU is a multi-disciplinary course of study that includes courses in art, business, and interior design. Graduates of the program are equipped to creatively design interior spaces that are functional and attractive. They are trained to meet all public health, safety, and welfare requirements including code, accessibility, environmental, and sustainability standards. They are also prepared to enter the business of interior design.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

A degree in Interior Design will prepare you for many exciting careers of employment in: Architecture and Design Firms, Facilities Management, Furniture and Interior Product Showrooms, Real Estate, Construction Firms, and Marketing.

PROGRAM STRENGTHS

The interior design program is accredited by the Council for Interior Design Accreditation (CIDA) and is also included in WMU’s Art and Design program accreditation by the National Association of Schools of Art and Design (NASAD). The program includes various internships, being in a studio environment, and is closely involved in two student organizations: Interior Design Student Organization (IDSO) and the American Society of Interior Designers (ASID).
ABOUT THE PROGRAM

This NCATE accredited program provides coursework and applied experiences reflecting professional practice that will allow students to develop the knowledge, skills and attitudes conducive to their employment. The program is dedicated to the development of leaders in teaching, research, learning, and service who impact the lives of the global citizenry through developmentally appropriate physical education programs.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates of this program will be prepared to find careers such as: Highly Qualified Physical Education Teacher, Activities Specialist/Director, Athletic Director/Trainer/Coach, Personal Trainer, Youth/Sports Camp Director, Strength/Conditioning Coach, Sports Coach/Manager, YMCA Director, and Health/Fitness Consultant.

PROGRAM STRENGTHS

A hallmark of the Physical Education Teacher Education Program is the incorporation of the most current theory-based coursework with applied, practical experiences. In addition to teacher certification, students also earn Coaches Advancement Program (CAP) certification Levels 1 and 2.
The recreation program focuses on educating students about recreation and leadership, program and service development, delivery and management. The recreation major or minor offers a variety of courses, experiences and guidance that allow students to develop professional skills and competencies for professional careers in community, campus, outdoor, commercial, government, or private settings.

A degree in Recreation will prepare you for many exciting careers such as: Park Director, Park Ranger, Naturalist Interpreter, Travel and Tourism, Intramural Sport Director, Campus Recreation Director, Climbing Wall Director, Camp Director, Camp Staff, Sport Supervisor, Theme Park Employee, YMCA Staff, Community Park Director.

This program utilizes faculty and recreation professionals to teach courses so that students learn from people in the field. The curriculum includes several service learning opportunities including two practical experiences working with the community and different populations on event planning and administration.
ABOUT THE PROGRAM

This nationally (NCATE/CAEP) approved teacher-preparation program prepares candidates based on Michigan and national professional health education standards. Candidates learn to plan curricula based on population needs, and implement lessons that engage and enable K-12 students to develop attitudes, skills, and knowledge that lead to a healthy lifestyle.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Graduates are qualified to work in schools or other youth-serving community organizations that require curriculum development and/or other teaching skills. The job category of “health educator” was identified by the US Bureau of Labor as one of the most needed job positions for the future, with the prediction of faster than average job growth through 2014.

PROGRAM STRENGTHS

Throughout the program, teacher candidates engage in 51 hours of practical, real-life curriculum development and teaching experiences with a cadre of expert teachers. In addition to these hours, candidates apply skills during a 1-semester internship where they work with an experienced teacher at the middle and/or high school levels. Program professors and instructors are also trained and experienced teachers.

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SECONDARY EDUCATION (6-12)

DEPARTMENT OF TEACHING, LEARNING AND EDUCATIONAL STUDIES

ABOUT THE PROGRAM
Secondary education focuses on the formal education of adolescents. Michigan Secondary Certification requires a teachable major and minor that can lead to a teaching credential for grades 6-12. WMU offers a wide variety of secondary education majors and minors.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES
Graduates of the Secondary Education program can find careers in many areas such as: Classroom Teacher, Grant Writer, Curriculum Specialist, Historic Site Administrator, Media Center Specialist, Educational Publisher, Educational Administrator, Education Non-profit Director, and Student Affairs in Higher Education Professionals.

PROGRAM STRENGTHS
Very strong STEM programs are offered to students in the secondary education program as well as multiple practical experience in 6-12 classrooms.

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ABOUT THE PROGRAM

This program offers preparation for teachers in the areas of emotional impairments/learning disabilities (EI/LD) and cognitive impairments/learning disabilities (CI/LD), at either the elementary or secondary level of special education. The special education program is nationally approved by the Council for Exceptional Children (CED).

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Students completing the Bachelor of Science can earn a State of Michigan Elementary Provisional Teaching Certificate (K-5) and an endorsement in one of the following areas: Emotional Impairments/Learning Disabilities (K-12) or Cognitive Impairments/Learning Disabilities (K-12). All students complete at least one minor, many of them leading to an additional endorsement at either the elementary or secondary level in a specific content area.

PROGRAM STRENGTHS

The Special Education program is one of only 10 programs throughout the nation to host a TeachLIVE™ Lab. The department has incorporated the lab into coursework. The lab is a mixed-reality teaching environment for developing effective teacher practices. The program also is the only education program to offer study abroad internships where students are housed on military bases and teach in the military schools.
ABOUT THE PROGRAM

The Textile and Apparel Studies program will prepare you to become a successful professional in the fashion industry. Working closely with experienced and creative faculty, you will gain basic knowledge about industry processes and products, and choose an emphasis that meets your specific career plans. Your studies will build on multiple disciplines to assure that you will be able to succeed in a culturally diverse and global industry.

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

A degree in Textile and Apparel Studies will prepare you for many exciting fashion careers. Including: Entrepreneur, Fashion Designer, Merchandise Planner, Product Developer, Retail Buyer, Retail Store Manager, Technical Designer, Visual Merchandiser.

PROGRAM STRENGTHS

The program has three degree emphases: Merchandising, Fashion Design, and Product Development, all of which have wonderful internship and study abroad opportunities. This program is also closely associated with M.O.D.A. and Design Student Showcase, two student organizations that provide opportunities for students to participate in fashion shows, and showcases.

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