



EDUCATION – SECONDARY (OPTION B – AGES 10-21)

UW-EAU CLAIRE UNDERGRADUATE FACT SHEET

Teaching is a people-oriented profession that requires a broad background of experiences and academic preparation. Through a series of courses and experiences, UW-Eau Claire students develop knowledge, process skills and attitudes necessary for effective teaching. At the completion of the program, students are prepared for middle-level grades and high school teaching or for grades K-12 in selected areas.

WHY STUDY SECONDARY OR MIDDLE/SECONDARY EDUCATION?

- The program leads to **early adolescence through adolescence** licensure to teach in the state of Wisconsin.
- Teaching is one of the most important and personally rewarding occupations in our society today.
- While studying education, you will develop a variety of skills that will be useful in other fields including time management, the ability to think on your feet, teamwork and communication.
- Explore general educational principles and practices while learning about the operation of middle and secondary schools.

THE EAU CLAIRE ADVANTAGE

- UW-Eau Claire has earned an excellent reputation for the quality of its preparation of teachers for secondary schools – its graduates are employed throughout Wisconsin and the United States.
- Our curriculum and instruction programs are accredited by Northcentral Association of Colleges and Secondary Schools and the Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction.

- Students learn the teaching profession firsthand through continuous field experiences. In the sophomore year, students will teacher assist secondary and middle school learning environments to become acquainted with the responsibilities of teaching and the organization of the secondary or middle school in general. In the junior year, students receive classroom teaching experience by serving as teacher assistants. Finally, a full semester of student teaching or interning is required during the senior year.
- Students may participate in overseas student teaching experiences through Global Student Teaching and meet Wisconsin Department of Public Instruction requirements. Students

UW-EAU CLAIRE FACTS AT A GLANCE

- Location: Eau Claire, Wis.; city pop. 64,000, metro. pop. 151,000
- Average enrollment: 10,500
- Undergraduates: 10,063
- Graduate students: 503
- International students: 124
- Multicultural students: 485
- Average men-women ratio: 2-to-3
- Students who spend at least a semester studying abroad: 24%
- Students doing undergraduate research with faculty/staff: 710+
- ACT composite average: 24+
- Average high school rank: 77%
- Average class size: 28
- Faculty-student ratio: 1-to-20
- Computers-student ratio: 1-to-9
- Student organizations: 224
- Walk across campus: About 10 minutes
- Nickname: Blugolds
- Colors: Navy and old gold

also may participate in student teaching experiences in the Milwaukee Public Schools or the Aldine School District in Houston, Tex.

- Instructional and information technology are well integrated throughout the program, providing for mastery of emergent tools and materials.
- Our on-campus Future Teacher's Club and Student Wisconsin Education Association provide social and learning opportunities for education students.

UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS

Students who pursue Option B are required to complete a major and minor, double major or comprehensive major, and a professional sequence consisting of teaching methods and related courses. Completion of the program provides certification to teach at the junior high/middle school, high school and post-high school levels. Following is a list of programs for teaching majors:

Comprehensive Majors (require no minor)

- Earth and Space Science
- English
- Physical Science
- Physics – Mathematics with Mathematics emphasis
- Physics – Mathematics with Physics emphasis
- Social Studies

Majors

- Biology
- Chemistry
- Economics
- English
- Geography
- History
- Mathematics

- Physics
- Political Science
- Sociology

Minors

- Biology
- Chemistry
- Coaching
- Economics
- English
- French
- Geography
- Geology
- German
- History
- Learning Disabilities
- Library Science
- Mathematics
- Physics
- Political Science
- Sociology
- Spanish
- Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages (TESOL)
- Theatre Arts

Program admission requirements

Before seeking admission to the program, students choosing Option B must complete CI 210 and CI 211. Upon completion of these courses, students can apply to the program and should file a formal application during the first week of October (for spring admission) or of March (for fall admission). Candidates prepare a portfolio based on the 10 Wisconsin Teaching Standards for the department of curriculum and instruction. Additionally, content departments have requirements for admission. Students are admitted on a selective and limited basis from a pool of candidates who meet minimum criteria.

Suggested program sequence

To learn more about the sequence that students should follow to successfully move through the program, go to the Curriculum and Instruction Web site.

Professional semester admission requirements

All students seeking licensure through programs in the department of

curriculum and instruction must complete a full semester of student teaching or an internship. Before doing this, applicants must meet the following requirements:

- Earn a minimum grade of B- in each of the professional education courses (CI 210, 211, 312, 317, 318, 328, content methods).
- Have resident, total and professional education course GPAs of 2.75 or higher.
- Receive departmental approval.

HIGH SCHOOL PREPARATION

- Prospective teaching majors are encouraged to develop their personal skills by tutoring, working at summer camps or other youth activities and by getting involved in volunteer activities.
- All students who enroll at UW-Eau Claire are required to have a minimum of 17 college preparatory units including:
 - 4 years of English (at least 3 composition and literature)
 - 2 years of a single foreign language
 - 3 years of math (algebra, geometry, 1 advanced college preparatory math)
 - 3 years of natural science
 - 3 years of social science (1 must be world or American history)
 - 2 additional units in the areas already mentioned or other academic areas

FOR MORE INFORMATION

For more information about UW-Eau Claire's programs in secondary and middle/secondary education, contact:

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