

## **University of ABC College of Education**

Education is the foundation upon which advanced societies are built, which is why the mission of the College of Education is fundamental to the vision of University of ABC. In the College of Education, the next generation of teachers, counselors, administrators, and special educators will shape their knowledge through established pedagogy, research, and hands-on teaching experiences with partnerships throughout the community.

### **Our Educational Philosophy**

The College of Education could not exist alone; it thrives through partnerships with local schools as well as other colleges within the university. We aim to provide our students with real-life experiences and training that will benefit both the educators of today and the students of tomorrow. In shaping the skills of future educators, we are also able to inspire educational reform within the community through research- and engineering-based programs for development.

### **Degrees Awarded**

Any student with a desire to work in the school environment at the early childhood, elementary, secondary, and college levels may seek a degree through the College of Education. Below you can see the types of degrees we award:

- Bachelor's Degrees – Four-year degree programs focusing on early, elementary, or special education. Graduates will be prepared to receive certification and enter the workforce as teachers after attaining their degrees.
- Postbaccalaureate Certification – One-year certification program for elementary and secondary education. Certification will include one semester of student teaching in the classroom setting under the direct supervision of an experienced teacher.
- Master's and Doctoral Degrees – Graduate programs of varying lengths focusing on educational administration, leadership, counseling, pedagogy, or classroom research. Studies may take place largely off campus in the classroom environment, depending on the specific area of specialization.

### **Student Experiences**

Undergraduate students who are seeking bachelor's degrees in education will enter the university as pre-education majors. After completing prerequisite general studies coursework as well as paid or volunteer work with school-aged children, students may apply for the College of Education with a specific degree track. Before graduating, students will gain a wealth of

experience in their own coursework as well as one semester of student teaching.

Postbaccalaureate certification and graduate degree programs will offer rigorous, intensive coursework, classroom research, and various hands-on experiences. Programs may range from 1-4 years, and students will work directly with faculty members to stay on track throughout their graduate coursework.

Graduates of the University of ABC College of Education include all types of educators, principals, and thought leaders shaping the future of educational policy on local and national levels. To become a part of our tradition, contact us to make an appointment with one of our academic advisors.