

The Minority Educator Recruitment and Retention Scholarship provides financial assistance for minority students enrolled in teacher education programs at Kentucky's public universities and community colleges. If a recipient does not complete the program in the prescribed time or does not render qualified teaching service, the scholarship becomes a loan and the recipient is required to repay the scholarship.

Eligibility Requirements:

- Be a U.S. citizen and a Kentucky resident.
- Declare Teacher Education as major field of study.
- Be an undergraduate or graduate student pursuing initial certification.
- Maintain continuous full-time enrollment OR be a part-time student within 18 semester hours of receiving a teacher education degree
- Maintain 2.5 G.P.A.
- Complete a teacher education program in the prescribed time.
- Obtain a Kentucky Teaching Certificate.
- Teach one semester in Kentucky for each semester or summer term the scholarship is received. The maximum yearly award is five thousand dollars (\$5,000).

Scholarship Renewal:

An application must be completed for each semester for which a student is seeking to receive the award.

Murray State University College of Education Recruitment and Retention Center

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ABOUT THE COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

The College of Education, accredited by the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education and the Kentucky Education Professional Standards Board, offers undergraduate programs in each of its three departments:

- Adolescent, Career, and Special Education (ACS)
- Early Childhood and Elementary Education (ECE)
- Educational Studies, Leadership, and Counseling (ESLC)

The mission of the College of Education is to build partnerships that provide leadership, service and research at regional, state and national levels; and to create a community that fosters excellence in teachers and other educational professionals which prepares them to make significant contributions in a diverse, global society.

Each department offers exceptional undergraduate and graduate programs that provide students with outstanding faculty, low student/faculty ratio and a modern facility designed to bring the latest technology into the learning environment. The college faculty is composed of educators in various fields from reading and elementary education to educational psychology and administration. Professors are routinely available to assist students. They provide support and encouragement while challenging students to continuously improve their knowledge and skills.

After completion of the baccalaureate degree, students have the opportunity to explore one of the many graduate programs offeed by the College of Education. Graduate programs are offered at the master's and specialist in education degree levels. Programs are available for certificate extensions and renewals.

Located in Alexander Hall, the College of Education is a state-of-the-art facility with approximately 100,000 square feet of space. As a leader in technology, extensive resources have been utilized that expand access to instructional technology and promote student learning. Students have opportunities to take advantage of the college's wireless classrooms and three computer labs and a Curriculum Materials Center that houses teacher resources and testing preparation materials. Additionally, all classrooms have Smart Boards, projectors, document cameras, computers and access to a classroom set of iPads.

ADMISSION AND EXIT REQUIREMENTS FOR EDUCATION PROGRAMS

Admission to Teacher Education Requirements:

- Attend an Admission to Teacher Education Orientation
- Cumulative GPA of 2.75 and maintain throughout the Teacher Certification Program
- Complete three PPST (Pre-Professional Skills Test) with following minimum scores Mathematics 174, Reading 176 and Writing 174
- Have completed a minimum of 24 credit hours with a grade of B or higher in: ENG 101, 102 104 or 105/ MAT 117/ COM 161/ EDU 103 or 104 or AED 380 or CTE200 or MUS 123
- An interview with Academic Advisor
- Complete a Declaration of Eligibility

Admission to Student Teaching

- Attend and Admission to Student Teaching Orientation
- Be admitted to Teacher Education
- File a formal application
- Have a minimum 2.75 GPA in major/areas, professional education and overall

Program Exit Requirements (Kentucky Certification)

- Successfully completed 70 days of Student Teaching
- File an application for Certification
- Pass the PRAXIS II exams and PLT (Principles of Learning and Teaching) exam.

Additional information may be found on the College of Education website:

www.murraystate.edu/coe