

THE PROGRAM

VWU students interested in teaching in either elementary or special education are urged to apply to the Teacher Education Program as soon as possible.

Program admission requirements include:

- *Passing scores on Praxis Core Math Assessment (or SAT equivalent)*
- *Passing scores on Virginia Communication and*

major allows teaching candidates in the above areas to pursue studies in the University's four academic schools while meeting state and national teacher education regulations and standards.

THE COURSES

Coursework in the Comprehensive Liberal Studies: Curriculum Emphasis major provides students initial teaching experience and a broad foundation of cross-disciplinary content knowledge and skills. After acceptance into the Education Program, students take an increasing amount of Education Program coursework relating pedagogical theory to core content knowledge and skills while providing opportunities to apply what they have learned in diverse teaching contexts.

INTERSHIPS/UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH

The coursework provides VWU students multiple diverse teaching contexts which average over 400 hours of teaching experience before VWU students graduate. Innovative internship opportunities include but are not limited to student teaching abroad, instructing campers at Y Camp Red-Feather, and teaching for grant-funded K-12 VWU summer programs.

BEYOND THE CLASSROOM

Education students have multiple opportunities to learn about or share their passion for teaching. Presenting at professional conferences, volunteering at partner schools, volunteering to assist with K-12 field trips on our campus, and membership in the Kappa Delta Pi International Honor Society are just a few opportunities for students hoping to become teacher leaders.

THE PROGRAM

Students interested in pursuing an MAEd at VVU are urged to apply to the MAEd Program by their Junior year.

MAEd admission requirements include:

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THE COURSES

Coursework in the undergraduate content major provides students in-depth and expansive knowledge and related skills needed to teach in their chosen content area. After acceptance into the MAEd, coursework provides students knowledge of pedagogical theory and effective teaching strategies to teach in their content area. The yearlong MAEd incorporates practical teaching experiences to apply learning in diverse teaching contexts.

INTERNSHIPS/UNDERGRADUATE RESEARCH

The 4+1 MAEd program provides undergraduate students the time to study abroad and/or pursue undergraduate research opportunities in their field. Students admitted to the MAEd program average over 300 hours of supervised experiences in multiple diverse teaching contexts. Innovative internship opportunities include but are not limited to student teaching abroad, instructing campers at Tidewater Collegiate Academy, and teaching for grant-funded K-12 VVU summer programs.

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