

What Can I Do With a Major in...

Elementary Education?

The School of Education at Gwynedd-Mercy College prepares teachers to meet the educational challenges of the 21st Century. The undergraduate and graduate divisions of the school offer a variety of programs to meet the pre-service and in-service needs of education professionals.

Skills/Competencies Associated with Elementary Education Degrees:

- Desire and ability to work with children
- Enthusiasm for teaching
- Ability to handle classroom situations
- Ability to speak and write clearly
- Sense of humor
- Ability to incorporate technology into the curriculum and instruction
- Training, instructing, advising, counseling, supervising, directing
- Assessing, answering, questions, making presentations, analyzing, evaluating, planning, making decisions
- Sensitivity to the differences and needs of others
- Develop excellent organizational and planning skills
- Pleasant, positive, and friendly personality
- Ability to work on a team of educators

Related Occupations:

Art Education Teacher
Adventure/Outdoor Education
Alumni Relations Coordinator
Assistant Principal
Athletic Coach/Director
Business Education/Teacher
Child Life Specialist
Classroom Teacher
College President
College Professor/Dean
Community/Public Service
Administrator
Counselor
Day Care Administrator
Director of Guidance
Education and Training
Administrator
Education Management
Specialist
Educational Administrator
Education Consultant
Educational Materials Sales

Educational Researcher
Educational Resource
Coordinator
Educational Therapist
Elementary School Teacher
Employee Training Instructor
Financial Aid
Counselor/Director
Grant Writer
Guidance Counselor
Historic Site Administrator
Librarian
Library Consultant
Media Center Specialist
Missionary Worker
Peace Corps/ VISTA Volunteer
Personnel Director
Preschool Administrator
Preschool Teacher
Principal
Registrar
Religious Education Teacher

Resource Teacher
School Psychologist
School Social Worker
School Superintendent
Secondary School Teacher
Social Services Volunteer
Special Education
Administrator
Special Education Teacher
Speech Pathologist
Student Admissions
Administrator
Student Affairs Administrator
Curriculum Specialist
Textbook Writer
Training Specialist
Tutor
Vocational Rehabilitation
Counselor
Vocational/Technical Teacher

*This is only a partial list and not meant to limit you. Come to Career Services to explore your options further.

Strategies:

- Work in a nursery school, day care or summer camp
- Volunteer or work part time in an elementary school or secondary school
- Teach Sunday School or Bible Camp lesson
- Tutor on campus and in the community
- Attend education lectures or workshops
- Strengthen communication and computer skills
- Study diversity issues and learn a second language

Resources:

National Education Association
www.nea.org

Pennsylvania State Education Assoc.
www.psea.org

The College Central Network
www.collegecentral.com/gmc

O*NET OnLine
<http://online.onetcenter.org>

Occupational Outlook Handbook
www.bls.gov/oco

US Department of Education
www.ed.gov

Teachers Support Network
<http://teachersupportnetwork.com>

PA School Board Association
www.psba.org

Education Week
www.edweek.org

PA-Educator.net
www.pa-educator.net

Teachers-Teachers
www.teachers-teachers.com

Chronicle of Higher Education
www.chronicle.com

American Counsel on Education
www.acenet.edu

American Federation of Teachers
www.aft.org

Education Job Page
www.nationjob.com/education

Teaching Jobs
www.schoolspring.com

Academic Employer Network
www.academploy.com

ABC Teaching
<http://abcteach.com>

Job Profiles for Educators
www.jobprofiles.org

K-12jobs.com
<http://k12jobs.com>

Pennsylvania Teaching Jobs
www.pareap.net

School - Jobs
www.schools-jobs.net

Clearinghouse School Staff
www.schoolstaff.com

Higher Education Jobs
www.higheredjobs.com