

Career Information for Elementary Education

A College of Education Major

General Overview Information

Elementary education and teaching programs prepare people to teach grades one through eight. Students learn to teach all subject areas to young children. They learn to plan lessons and projects designed to motivate and challenge students. They also learn to counsel students and work with families.

Do You Have These Characteristics?

Ability to Motivate Students · Understand Student's Educational & Emotional Needs
Organized & Dependable · Enjoy Working with Children · Patience & a Sense of Responsibility
Creativity & Enthusiasm · Work Cooperatively · Effective Communication Skills

Salary Information Can Be Found At:

www.bls.gov/bls/blswage.htm www.iseek.org www.stcloudstate.edu/careerservices

What Can You Do?

- Kindergarten Teacher
- Elementary School Teacher
- Special Education Teacher (with proper endorsement)
- Early Childhood Teacher
- Middle School Teacher
- Special Subjects
- School Librarian
- Reading Specialist
- Curriculum Specialist
- English as a Second Language
- Child Caretaker
- Preschool Teacher

Where Can You Work?

- Public Schools
- Private Schools
- Parochial Schools
- Early Childhood Education Programs
- Community Education
- Boards of Education
- Nursery School & Day Care Centers
- Montessori Schools
-and MORE!

Resources

- SCSU Education – <http://bulletin.stcloudstate.edu/departments/ed.asp>
 - Occupational Outlook Handbook – <http://www.bls.gov/oco/ocos069.htm>
 - National Council for the Association of Teacher Education – www.ncate.org
 - MN Department of Children, Families & Learning – <http://children.state.mn.us>
 - National Education Association – www.nea.org
 - American Federation of Teachers – www.aft.org
 - *101 Career Alternatives for Teachers*
 - *Careers in Education*
 - *Definitive Guide to Getting a Teaching Job, The*
 - *Expert Resumes for Teachers and Educators*
 - *Job Search Handbook for Educators (free magazine)*
 - *National Trade and Professional Associations*
 - *Non-Profits & Education Job Finder*
 - *Opportunities in Teaching Careers*
 - *Real Resumes for Teachers*
 - *Resumes for Social Service Careers*
 - *The Comparative Guide to American Elementary & Secondary Schools*
 - *The History Internship Book*
- (Books are available at SCSU Career Services Center)