Explore today’s educational field through the UC Davis School of Education’s undergraduate courses and Minor in Education. Students from any major are encouraged to enroll in our Minor in Education.

From learning about the complexities of special education, to discovering more about bilingual classrooms, to researching educational policy and theory, our courses and Minor in Education provide a foundation for undergraduates who wish to obtain a teaching credential, a master’s or doctoral degree, enter a profession focused on training and mentoring people, or develop a better understanding of the critical role education plays in our society.

“The education minor was a perfect fit with my sociology major. It allowed me to explore education in ways that were sociological, historical, philosophical, psychological and hands-on.”

DAVID LADD (BA ’16, CREDE ’18)
THE MINOR IN EDUCATION

The Minor in Education requirements cover educational issues you will encounter as educators, researchers, policymakers, business leaders, parents and citizens. Students must complete 20 units in the Minor program, 12 of which are covered by three of the required 4-unit courses listed below. The remaining eight units may be chosen from elective courses in Education or from approved courses offered by other academic units. Please refer to our website for current elective listings and approvals.

REQUIRED MINOR COURSES

- EDU 100 Introduction to Schools (4 units) - Science and Math majors can substitute EDU 181 and 183
- EDU 110 Educational Psychology - General (4 units)
- EDU 120 Philosophical & Social Foundations of Education (4 units)

Many of the Minor courses also satisfy campus General Education (GE) requirements such as Social Science, Domestic Diversity, Writing Experience & Writing Intensive, Visual Literacy, Oral Literacy and Quantitative Literacy.

"I worked hands-on in a classroom in my Minor coursework, and gained insight on how the educational system works and different theories and methods that affect students directly in the classroom. More so, I was able to learn what it takes to be a teacher."

EDITH SUAREZ (BA '17, CRED. '18)

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS TAKING COURSEWORK IN EDUCATION

- K-12 teacher
- College professor
- Psychologist, social worker or counselor
- Careers in government and advocacy organizations, such as policymaker or lobbyist
- Education administrator
- Careers in curriculum design, such as instructional coordinator or standardized test developer
- Researcher
- Recreation and student life coordinator
- Careers in human resources, workplace training or organizational development
- Librarian
- Museum educator

MORE INFORMATION

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