

## **UMaine's** ADVANTAGE

- A comprehensive liberal arts foundation
- A faculty actively engaged in research
- Internship opportunities in rural, urban and international settings
- Close interaction with faculty
- Top-notch advising
- An education that prepares our students to thrive in any career

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# COLLEGE OF EDUCATION AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT Secondary Education

# WHY STUDY SECONDARY EDUCATION AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MAINE?

Secondary education majors at the University of Maine have the opportunity to work within the community of the College of Education and Human Development, yet take advantage of the vast resources available at Maine's largest and most comprehensive university. The College of Education and Human Development is nationally accredited for its teacher certification programs and provides many opportunities for students to gain professional experience in schools locally, statewide and internationally. Students build a strong liberal arts background by drawing from the many departments on campus to fulfill general education and concentration requirements. Students in the College of Education and Human Development also have the option of studying in the Honors College, which offers intensive work in small classes, as well as the chance to pursue undergraduate research.

# WHAT CAN I DO WITH A DEGREE IN SECONDARY EDUCATION?

In addition to becoming certified to teach in middle and high school classrooms in the United States and internationally, graduates may work in nonschool settings, such as research units, industry or museums. Our students acquire skills they can use in a variety of careers, including the ability to collaborate, to work effectively in team environments, and to communicate clearly. In addition, graduates may pursue careers in schools outside the traditional classroom role, such as a technology integrator.

#### OUR UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAM

The secondary education program builds on strong partnerships the College of Education and Human Development has created with school districts locally, statewide and internationally. This gives students the chance to combine academic work in a university environment with field-based work in a wide range of settings. Our students are prepared to teach and work in diverse educational situations. The curriculum allows an indepth exploration of such topics as multiculturalism in the classroom, adolescent psychology and adapted instruction for students with disabilities. Students who are interested in teaching a particular subject, such as science, social studies or history, are able to tailor their coursework to their career goals. A diverse range of student-teaching and internship opportunities ensures that our graduates are prepared to teach in a variety of classroom settings.

The College of Education and Human Development has a nationally recognized Advising Center, which assists students in their first two years at UMaine. As juniors and seniors delve deeper into their major, they work closely with faculty advisers who provide academic and professional guidance. We also offer introductory seminars to acquaint students with program requirements and expectations. Our students have opportunities to build their technological skills, while learning how to utilize technology to enhance the learning of middle and high school students.

#### **OPPORTUNITIES AFTER GRADUATION**

For those students wishing to continue on to graduate school, a degree in secondary education is preparation for a variety of graduate programs. Students might pursue further work in general education, or pursue specialties such as instructional technology, special education, counselor education, educational leadership or a discipline such as science or mathematics education.

#### OUR FACULTY

Faculty members in the secondary education program are nationally recognized scholars in their fields and have received national and

#### ABOUT UMAINE

The University of Maine, founded in Orono in 1865, is the state's premier public university. It is among the most comprehensive higher education institutions in the Northeast and attracts students from across the U.S. and more than 73 countries. It currently enrolls 11,286 total undergraduate and graduate students who can directly participate in groundbreaking research working with world-class scholars. The University of Maine offers doctoral degrees in 35 fields, representing the humanities, sciences, engineering and education; master's degrees in roughly 70 disciplines; 90 undergraduate majors and academic programs; and one of the oldest and most prestigious honors programs in the U.S. The university promotes environmental stewardship on its campus, with substantial efforts aimed at conserving energy, recycling and adhering to green building standards in new construction. For more information about UMaine, visit umaine.edu.

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Bachelor of Science in Secondary Education

Concentrations in English Math Social Studies Science (Life Science and Physical Science) Modern Languages

Master of Education in Curriculum, Assessment and Instruction Educational Leadership Secondary Education Higher Education Instructional Technology Literacy Education Science Education Social Studies Education Special Education

Ph.D in Educational Leadership Higher Education Literacy



state level teaching awards as secondary school educators and as college instructors. They are also well-represented in professional organizations both statewide and nationally. Our faculty are from a diverse range of professional backgrounds and draw on a variety of pedagogical perspectives. Many have taught in the United States and abroad, in urban, suburban, and rural schools. Equally important, the faculty are accessible and available to students as a resource for assistance with classwork, advising, and research.

#### **OPPORTUNITIES TO EXCEL**

Scholarships are available to academically qualified students in the college. Students who have a 3.0 GPA can apply to be a

member of Kappa Delta Pi, an international honor society for educators. Through a partnership with AustraLearn, UMaine education students are able to take advantage of student-teaching opportunities in Australia and New Zealand. The Student Education Association of Maine, a campus offshoot of the Maine Education Association, hosts workshops and professional development events. In addition, visiting professors and guest lecturers provide valuable insight into contemporary issues in education.

#### HOW DO I APPLY?

Visit umaine.edu for an application, as well as information about academics and life at UMaine.

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I always wanted to study abroad, and I think it's even better that I was able to student-teach abroad through AustraLearn rather than just take classes."

Megan Nichols, Class of 2011
 Wiscasset, Maine, secondary education major, history minor

