



Physical Education Initial Licensure Program

with a Master's Degree Option

The Springfield College Physical Education Teacher Licensure Program is designed to prepare teachers in two to three years to teach students in regular and alternative school settings.

This program is Massachusetts state approved and offers a unique training experience to include:

- **A rigorous field-based training experience** - Participants complete a fifteen week practicum experience at both the elementary and secondary level.
- **A commitment to recruiting a diverse and academically talented candidate pool** – We seek candidates who represent a diverse range of life experience, ethnicity, and economic backgrounds.

The Graduate Level Initial Licensure Program in Physical Education is intended to meet the needs of those students who have earned undergraduate degrees in fields other than physical education and who wish to

complete the Massachusetts Teacher Licensure requirements in physical education. Completion of this program will therefore allow graduate students to qualify for initial licensure in elementary physical education (PreK-8) and secondary level physical education (5-12).

Participants can complete the licensure program without completing a Master's Degree or they can secure a M.S. or M.Ed. by completing additional requirements.

Enrollment:

Springfield College Graduate School
Applications can be obtained online at:

<http://www.springfieldcollege.edu/home.nsf/onlineApp/graduate>

For more information about this program please contact by e-mail/phone:
Dr. Michelle Moosbrugger at (413) 748-3486
or **mmoosbrugger@spfldcol.edu**.

If you have specific questions about getting licensed in Massachusetts as a teacher or administrator, please contact Dr. Linda Davis-Delano, Director of Educator Preparation & Licensure at **ldelano@spfldcol.edu** or (413)-748-3155.



Course of Study:

The program combines eight courses (24 s.h.) with a practicum (6 s.h.) for Educator Licensure. Additional research requirements (7-12 s.h.) are needed for a Master's Degree.

The following outline reflects the sequence of courses students are advised to follow (this is subject to change):

Fall

PHED 610: ELEM & SEC PE Teaching Methods 3 s.h.
*RSCH 610: Foundations & Methods of Research 3 s.h.
MOSK 140: Skill Themes (if needed for prereq)

Subtotal: 6

Spring

PHED 629: Curriculum Construction 3 s.h.
PHED 635: Motor Development & Analysis 3 s.h.
*HPER 626: Independent Study Proposal Design 2 s.h.

Subtotal: 8

Fall

MOST 624: Motor Learning and Control 3 s.h.
PHED 660: Advanced Instructional Strategies 3 s.h.
*PHED 692: Independent Study in Phys. Educ. 2 s.h.
Must successfully complete the poster presentation requirement.

Subtotal: 8

Spring

PHED 632: Analysis of Teacher Behavior 3 s.h.
PHED 684: Practicum in Phys. Educ. PreK-8 6 s.h.
AND/OR PHED 689: Pract. in Phys. Educ. 5-12

Subtotal: 9

Can be taken any semester

EDUC 607: Philosophical Foundations of Educ. 3 s.h.
OR EDUC 619: Contemporary Issues in Education
OR EDUC 637: Foundations of Multicultural Educ.
HPER 675: Legal Issues in Sport & Recreation 3 s.h.

Subtotal: 6

Total: 37

*Required for master's degree only, not for Teacher Licensure.

Research Option 2

Instead of HPER 626 & PHED 692, students may take:
RSCH 620: Educ. & Psychological Statistics I 3 s.h.
RSCH 612: Proposal Design 2 s.h.
RSCH 635: Thesis 4 s.h.

For a total of **42 credits**

Prerequisites:

The graduate level initial licensure program has been designed for students who meet the following entrance criteria:

1. A bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university with a satisfactory record;
2. A transcript review will be done to ensure the following prerequisites are met before/during enrollment in the Graduate Program:

- Anatomy & Physiology I and II
Physiology of Exercise
Kinesiology
Assessment in Movement and Sport
History/Philosophy of Sport
Psychology/Sociology of Sport
Adapted Physical Education
Sports First Aid & CPR (or certification)
Pre-practicum in Physical Education & Pre-practicum Seminar
Physical Education Activity Courses
Wellness - Fitness for Life
Team Sports and Individual/Dual Sports - 4 selectives
Aquatics - WSI OR Lifeguard
Dance/Rhythmic activity
Outdoor/Leisure - Outdoor Adventure
Movement Across Categories - Skill Themes & Movement Concepts
3. Commitment to the field of education as demonstrated through past experience and/or the admissions essay;
 4. Submission of Graduate Record Examination score taken within the last five years of the date of application

Massachusetts Tests for Educator Licensure (MTEL)

Students must pass the MTEL Communication & Literacy Skills (C & L) test and Physical Education subject test in order to make satisfactory progress in this program and do their practicum. All graduate students are advised to take the C & L portion of MTEL as soon as possible. For more information about MTEL, including test registration deadlines, go to: www.mtel.nesinc.com



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