IDS Education Sophomores: Apply to TE

The undergraduate application for admission to the Teacher Preparation Program for Fall 2014 is available via the College of Education’s website at www.educ.msu.edu. The application must be submitted prior to November, 2013. Note: the target audience is primarily sophomores and above but freshmen/first year students with substantial AP or dual enrollment credits may also be good candidates to apply. The full application instructions can be found at: http://education.msu.edu/academics/undergraduate/apply-teacher-prep.asp

The undergraduate application is intended for MSU undergraduates who (1) are currently enrolled, (2) have reached sophomore status - or nearly so (25 or more credits), (3) will have a 2.75 cumulative GPA by the end of the current fall semester, (4) have passed (or are registered to take) all three parts of the MTTC Professional Readiness Exam or Basic Skills test, (5) will have completed any required remedial coursework in math and/or writing by the end of the current fall semester, and (6) wish to be considered for admission to the teacher preparation program for Fall Semester 2014.

Applicants should understand that meeting minimum requirements makes them eligible to have their application considered. It does not guarantee admission. Each application receives a thorough and holistic review by several evaluators.

Michigan Test for Teacher Certification (MTTC) Professional Readiness Exam (PRE) or MTTC Basic Skills Test. Before students can be admitted to the teacher preparation program, MSU must receive official notification that they have passed all three sub-parts (Reading, Writing and Mathematics) of the MTTC Professional Readiness Exam (PRE), formerly known as the Basic Skills test. Taking the PRE requires separate registration and fee payment. See the MTTC website for information about test preparation and registration. Students should request that official results be sent to MSU when they register to take the test. Both the paper-based test (PBT) and the computer-based test (CBT) are acceptable (but the paper-based version is less expensive). Students should take the test or be registered for the test before completing the application. That means students must have taken/passed the test before FS13 or take the test in September (CBT), October (PBT) or November (CBT) of 2013. Note that the October 2013 test will
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not be offered in the Lansing area.

Other admission requirements include:

- Successful completion of the web-based, proctored application essay (essay date and time arranged through the on-line application)
- Students admitted for Fall 2014 must be at junior status or higher (56 earned credits) by the end of summer 2014.
- For current juniors or seniors wishing to accelerate their teacher education program in order to intern teach by Fall 2015: required submission of an acceleration planning grid (available via the application website) to show an approved plan to complete all degree and teacher education undergraduate requirements by summer 2015. Note: Secondary Education applicants should do their acceleration grid with their major secondary advisor. Completed, signed grids are to be turned in to 134 Erickson prior to November 28.

Questions can be directed to advisors in 134 Erickson Hall, or call 353-9680.

Teacher Education offers information sessions that go through all of the steps of the application process and admissions requirements. The sessions will also give a brief overview of the certification programs. Get all of your questions answered in one place.

- Wed, Oct 16 noon 209 Berkey Hall
- Thu, Oct 17 9:00 am 145 Natural Sciences Building
- Tue, Oct 29 11:00 am A236 Wells Hall

International Student Career Conference

Attention international students: The Global Future Conference, Kellogg Center, Oct. 11th, from 1:00-5:30 p.m. is a career development conference for YOU! Hear from international students who have had success in the U.S., how to talk to employers about your immigration status, entrepreneurship in the U.S. and more. This includes networking opportunities!

Registration Required: www.oiss.msu.edu
Spring Break Opportunities

Applications to participate in an Alternative Spartan Break over Winter or Spring breaks are now available. More than 20 different trip options working on an array of social justice issues are being offered this year.

The ASB E-Board has planned new trips, going to new destinations from past years. To view a list of all trips being offered this year, visit: http://www.servicelearning.msu.edu/students/alternative-breaks-student-organizations/asb-information-trip-listing

Applications for Winter trips are due October 9, while applications for Spring trips are due October 31. All trips cost $400, broken into convenient payment installments. Fundraising will be conducted to help defray these costs. This fee includes meals, housing, ground transportation, a group t-shirt, and all supplies/materials. Some trips will require a flight, in which case participants will be responsible for the cost of the flight in addition to the standard trip fee.

Apply at http://www.servicelearning.msu.edu/students/alternative-breaks-student-organizations/asb-participant-application

Another option is the MSU International Engagement in Mexico (IEM) Study Abroad program, which is looking for students who are interested in a service-learning (volunteering) experience in Mexico during spring break 2014. This program immerses students in Mexican culture. Join 140 other students as you engage in communities in Mexico through Service Learning. Volunteer at designated nonprofit agencies that work with children and youth, senior citizens, youth with disabilities and more. Students choose one of four vibrant city locations in Mexico:

- Puebla
- Campeche
- Oaxaca
- Merida

All cities are safe and full of cultural opportunities. Archaeological sites are part of the experience too. For more details, contact Carlos Fuentes at fuentes@msu.edu or 353-1671.

Grad School Fair and Workshops

130 institutions offering graduate programs in law, health, science, business, public affairs, arts, humanities and more will be at the Graduate and Professional School Fair Thursday, October 10, from 3:00 - 6:00 pm, in Spartan Stadium (4th floor). Students from all majors are encouraged to attend. This event is sponsored by the MSU Career Services Network.

Check out a Steps to Success Workshop “Getting Into Grad School”:
- Thursday, October 10, from 2:00 - 3:00 pm in the James Madison College Library (3rd Floor Case Hall), or,
- Monday, November 11, from 4:00 - 5:00 pm in 112 Bessey
Career Fair

The Agriculture and Food Industry Career Fair is Wednesday, October 9, 3:00 – 6:00 pm in Spartan Stadium (4th floor). This event is for all students interested in agriculture and food industry careers. Explore opportunities for internships and full-time employment in sales and marketing, research and development, quality assurance and production. Employers represent the various segments of agriculture, horticulture, landscape and the food industries. Bring your student ID to be scanned when you enter and make sure your major is updated in your MySpartanCareer.com profile.

For details, go to CareerNetwork.msu.edu, select “Career Fairs” under the “Jobs + Internships” pull down menu.

Alumni Presentations – using your MSU degree

Don’t miss this chance to get to know what MSU alumni are doing with their degrees! These are top notch professionals in their fields.

The event is Friday, October 11, 2-3:30 pm in C20 Snyder Hall. This is an auditorium style room and can be easily located by taking the elevator. There will be an informal reception afterward. Dress in casual pants or nice jeans with an appropriate shirt.

For more information, and to RSVP (required): https://docs.google.com/forms/d/1YlLmvLhEgenuNoHUlg9eU3O8DEDLGfZ6ISjk7Oug8Q/viewform

Study Abroad: Medical Ethics in London

There are two general information meetings for the Medical Ethics and Health Policy in London Summer 2014 Study Abroad Program. You can learn more on Monday, October 21st, 7:00 - 8:30 pm, or on Wednesday, October 23rd, 7:00 - 8:30 pm. Both sessions will be held in C104 Holmes.

Visit https://osa.isp.msu.edu/Programs/program/index/104957 or email bhs@msu.edu for more information.