



Educator Preparation Institute (EPI)

Earn your Professional Certificate through DC's EPI Program's EPI Program

Our state-approved Educator Preparation Institute (EPI) provides an alternate pathway to certification for non-education majors and career changers who hold a minimum of a bachelor's degree. The EPI program provides candidates the education coursework necessary to fulfill state requirements, as well as guidance and assistance in passing the certification exams necessary to earn a professional certificate. Courses are offered throughout the year in eight-week terms via a fully online, asynchronous model, which provides the flexibility required to meet the needs of working adults. There is also a culminating 15-week internship**. This program can be completed in one year, but two years are recommended if time allows.

REQUIRED COURSES

- EPI Program-long Non-credit Orientation Course
- EDG 3321 Managing the Teaching Environment (3 cr.)
- EDG 4343 Instructional Strategies (3 cr.)
- EDF 3430 Measurement, Evaluation, and Assessment in Education (3 cr.)
- RED 4044 Teaching Foundations of Reading Instruction and Application of Research-Based Instructional Practices (3 cr.)
- RED 4654 Foundations of Assessment and Applications of Differentiated Instruction (3 cr.)*
- RED 4854 Reading Practicum (Reading Competency 5) (3 cr.)*
- EDF 4943 Student Teaching Internship (9 cr.)**

Program without Reading Endorsement: 21 credits

Program with Reading Endorsement: 27 credit*

ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS

- Hold a minimum of a Bachelors degree
- Hold a valid Statement of Eligibility (SOE) from the State of Florida, indicating the applicant is eligible for a Certificate.
- Have, at minimum, taken the General Knowledge exam

EXAM REQUIREMENTS

Students must either pass or qualify to waive, as per the DOE, each of the following exams:

- General Knowledge Exam
 - Reading
 - English Language Skills
 - Essay
 - Mathematics
- Professional Educator Exam
- Corresponding Subject Area Exam



Flexibility

Online classes you can access from anywhere and complete on your schedule.



Quality

Accredited programs designed to help you meet your career goals



Support

A personalized, student-centered experience that encourages success



Savings

Affordable, all-inclusive tuition rates that help you finish without debt.

*RED 4654 and RED 4854 only required for certain subject areas as per current FLDOE certification requirements.

**Candidates who are employed as classroom teachers at the time of internship may complete this component within their own classrooms.

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