

The Curriculum and Instruction Department's Undergraduate Program Newsletter

The monthly newsletter that provides important dates, club meetings and advisement tips!

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Welcome Back!



C & I Advisement Center Office Hours

102 Wilber Hall, 312-5641

Monday: 8:30am–4:30pm
Tuesday: 9:00am–4:30pm
Wednesday: 8:30am–4:30pm
Thursday: 10:30am–6:00pm
Friday: 8:30am–4:00pm

Dr. Smith's and Ms. Kyle's office hours are posted online at: www.oswego.edu/~ciugrad/.
Graduate Assistants are available to advise students during regular office hours.

Important Dates for January & February 2008:

- 1/24:** Classes Begin
- 2/4:** Final date to add an undergraduate or graduate semester course
- 2/4:** Final date to select pass/fail option for semester courses
- 2/6:** Fall 2008 student teaching applications due
- 2/6:** Block One Advising & Welcome Session
- 2/8:** Practicum Orientation for Block One Students
- 2/13:** Final date to drop an undergraduate or graduate semester course
- 2/14-4/4:** Course withdrawal period (WP, WF, WN) in effect

Attend the 7th Annual Public School Education Job Fair!!!

If you're looking to get ahead on your job search in 2008 then we've got the place for you! Attend the **7th Annual Public School Education Job Fair** on Saturday March 1, 2008 at Arlington High School in LaGrangeville, NY. This event will feature two sessions, 9am-12pm and 1pm-4pm. Session one is for adolescence education and TESOL majors and session two is for childhood education majors. Admission to this event is FREE when you pre-register online and the cost at the door is \$10. All certification areas are welcome to attend this event. To register or to find out more about the event please visit www.dcboces.org/.

Do you know who your advisor is?

To find out, log in to "myOswego" at <http://myoswego.oswego.edu/> and click "Registration." On that page, scroll down and click "Check Your Registration Status" and your advisor will be listed. All students are strongly encouraged to meet with their advisor each semester.

Block One Advising & Welcome Session

On February 6th there will be an Advising & Welcome Session from 12:40-1:35 (College Hour) in 305 Park Hall for Block One students. The session covers what to expect in your education program, the requirements necessary to graduate and become certified in New York State and department requirements that you need to be aware of. All students in Block One should attend. Look online at www.oswego.edu/news/events/college_hour/ for other events to attend during the College Hour throughout the semester.

Graduating? Complete a Senior Checklist!

Seniors need to file for graduation online by doing the following:

1. Go to "myOswego"
2. Log in
3. Click on "Registration"
4. Click on "Apply for Graduation" and complete the required information
5. Print the confirmation notice for your records.
6. Allow a couple of weeks for processing, and then come to the C&I Advising Center to review and sign your checklist. If your advisor is Dr. Burrell or Dr. Russo, you will meet with your advisor to review and sign your checklist.

The deadline to file for **May 2008** graduation is **February 15, 2008** and your checklist is due back to the registrar by **March 1, 2008**. The deadline to file for **August 2008** graduation is **February 15, 2008** and your checklist is due back to the registrar by **July 1, 2008**. Students expecting to graduate in **December 2008** may file online from **April 1, 2008 to September 30, 2008**.

Call the SUNY Oswego Information Line at 312-3333 for class cancellation announcements

Field Placement Orientation & Meeting Information:

Information regarding the various field placements in the Adolescence Education, Childhood Education, and TESOL programs will be given via a meeting to be scheduled by the Field Placement Office (208 Park Hall, 312-3098). The meeting dates and times will be posted at the beginning of each semester at http://www.oswego.edu/academics/colleges_and_departments/education/placement/index.html

Fingerprinting Information

Fingerprinting packets can be picked up in Pathfinder Hall at University Police or at 102 Wilber Hall. The New York State fingerprinting processing fee is \$99.00 and additional fees may be charged by the agency you choose to do your fingerprinting. This should be completed by the beginning of your student teaching semester to ensure timely processing of your New York State Teacher Certification.

Attention Fall 2008 Student Teachers!

Student Teaching applications are due **February 6th 2008**. If you do not have an application, you should pick one up immediately from the Field Placement office in 208 Park Hall. You must have the following requirements completed by August 2008 to be eligible to student teach:

1. Minimum 2.5 cumulative GPA
2. Completion of Safe Schools/Healthy Students (SSHS 1020—online course)
3. **All** cognates completed with a C- or better:
Childhood Education Cognates: PSY 100, PSY 322, MAT 106 and MAT 206, one lab science, computer literacy or computer competency exam, foreign language requirement
Adolescence Education Cognates: PSY 100, PSY 323, computer literacy or computer competency exam, foreign language requirement
TESOL Cognates: PSY 100, PSY 322/323, computer literacy or computer competency exam, foreign language requirement
4. Complete a minimum of 80 semester hours of course work
5. Grades of C- or better for all **concentration** courses
6. Complete a minimum of 80% of concentration.
7. All professional education courses must be completed with a grade of C- or better

Teacher Recruitment Days

Teacher Recruitment Days will be April 7th and April 8th 2008 at SUNY Cortland. For more information, contact Career Services at 312-2255 or go to:

<http://www.oswego.edu/student/career/trd/>
Student teachers must obtain permission from your supervisor and host teacher to attend.

New York State Teacher Certification Exams

Test information sheets are available at 102 Wilber Hall and you register online at: www.nystce.nesinc.com. There are three exams teacher candidates are required to take for initial New York State Certification:

- **Liberal Arts and Sciences Test (LAST):** Taken during junior year or a semester before student teaching.
- **Content Specialty Test (CST):** Taken during junior year or a semester before student teaching. *Childhood Education majors take the “Multi-Subject CST,” Adolescence Education majors take the CST in their content area (i.e. English, Mathematics), TESOL majors take the “ESOL CST.”*
- **Assessment of Teaching Skills-Written (ATS-W):** Taken during student teaching. *Childhood education majors take the Elementary ATS-W and Adolescence and TESOL majors take the Secondary ATS-W.*

Safe Schools, Healthy Students (SSHS 1020)

All teacher candidates planning to obtain teaching certification need to enroll in Safe Schools/Healthy Students (SSHS 1020), which is an online course offered through the office of Continuing Education (*the Safe Schools, Healthy Students Office is now located at 166 Campus Center*). This course is required for graduation for all Childhood, Adolescence, and TESOL majors. Registration for SSHS 1020 is now online at “myOswego.” To obtain more information visit:

<http://www.oswego.edu/safeschools>

Teacher Resource Center

All Curriculum & Instruction students should be aware of the Teacher Resource Center on the second floor of Penfield Library. It contains children’s books, young adult books, student and teacher versions of textbooks, professional journals and professional books.