

The Curriculum and Instruction Department

Undergraduate Program Newsletter

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

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Welcome Back!

Advisement Center Office Hours

102 Wilber Hall, 312-5641

Monday: 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Tuesday: 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Wednesday: 8:30 a.m.-4:15 p.m.
Thursday: 8:30 a.m.-6:00 p.m.
Friday: 8:30 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Graduate Coordinator Dr. Joyce Smith
Advisement Coordinator Sandra Kyle
Assistant Coordinator Beth Smith
Graduate Assistants Kaitlin Taylor
Sarah Connors
Lacey Moore
Nicole Higgins

Graduate assistants are available to answer questions and concerns when Sandra Kyle and Beth Smith are not available.

Appointment and Walk-in Hours are posted at www.oswego.edu/~ciugrad

Teacher Certification Exams

Test registration information sheets for the **New York State Teacher Certification Exams** (NYSTCE) are available in 102 Wilber Hall. It is recommended that you begin taking the exams the semester prior to student teaching.

Childhood, Adolescence and TESOL Education students take:

- **Liberal Arts and Sciences Test (LAST)** - junior year
- **Content Specialty Test (CST)** - junior or senior year
- **Assessment of Teaching Skills-Written (ATS-W)**- during student teaching

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The **CST** is the Content Specialty Test.

- **Childhood Education 1-6** majors will take the **Multi-Subject CST**.
- **Adolescence Education 7-12** majors will take the **CST in their content area** (i.e. English, Mathematics, etc.).
- **TESOL K-12** majors will take the **ESOL CST**.

The formats of these tests vary depending on the content area. These tests should be taken after completing a majority of the content area courses.

Required Workshops for Teacher Certification

All teacher candidates need to enroll in Safe Schools/Healthy Students (SSHS 1020).

This is an online course administered through the Division of Extended Learning, located at 166 Campus Center. SSHS 1020 fulfills the New York State workshop requirements for teacher certification.

Safe Schools, Healthy Students **SSHS 1020**

Fall I 2009: Aug. 31- Oct. 16
Fall II 2009: Oct. 19- Dec. 4
Winter Session: Jan. 4- Jan. 21
Spring I 2010: Jan. 25- Mar. 13
Spring II 2010: Mar. 8- May. 2

Register through the “myOswego” website. To obtain more information about SSHS visit:

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

Staying Healthy in the Classroom!

Swine Flu is in the news and the college is carefully following the advice of the CDC. If you are sick and have symptoms such as fever, cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose, body aches, headache, chills and/or fatigue, please go see a provider at Walker Health Center, if you are home see your own health care provider. This is very important for all students, especially student teachers and practicum students who are in contact with students at public schools on a daily or weekly basis.

Join the crowd in preventing swine flu by:

- Washing your hands often with soap and warm water. Alcohol-based hand cleansers are also effective.
- Staying home from work or school if you are sick.
- Using tissue when you cough, sneeze or spit, and dispose of the tissue in a covered trash bin.
- Keeping hands away from your face. Avoid touching your eyes, nose or mouth.
- Cleaning shared space more often such as phone receivers, keyboards, steering wheels and office equipment.
- Refraining from sharing personal items such as pens, pencils, forks, spoons, toothbrushes, and towels.

More information can be found at <http://www.cdc.gov/swineflu/>

Attention, Spring 2010 Student Teachers!

Student teaching applications for spring 2010 were due on **September 9, 2009**. If you have not submitted your application, submit it to Field Placement, 208 Park Hall.

Student Teaching Advisement Reminder:

All cognate courses must be completed **with a grade of C-** or higher prior to student teaching. Cognate courses include:

Childhood: PSY 100, PSY 322, Foreign Language, General Ed Computer Literacy course or competency exam, MAT 106, MAT 206, Natural Science with a lab.

Adolescence: PSY 100, PSY 323, Foreign Language, General Ed Computer Literacy course or competency exam.

TESOL: PSY 100, PSY 322 or 323, Foreign Language, General Ed Computer Literacy course or competency exam.

Graduating Dec. 2009, May/Aug. 2010? 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. Meet with your advisor to review and sign your checklist

Deadlines to File for Graduation:

December 2009: Deadline to file online is September 30, 2009

Checklists due back to Registrar: **11/1/09**

May 2010: Deadline to file online is February 15, 2010

Checklists due back to Registrar: **3/1/10**

August 2010: Deadline to file online is February 15, 2010

Checklists due back to Registrar: **7/1/10**

Please note: Students must file by the deadline dates in order to be sure that their names will be printed in the commencement program.

All students must sign their senior checklist to be eligible to graduate. August graduates **may** participate in the May graduation ceremony; no special permission needed.

Students **may not** file for December graduation if they have additional coursework to take after December.

Teacher Candidacy Admissions Process for Adolescence, Childhood and TESOL Majors

For students admitted into these majors when admitted to the college:

Candidates interested in pursuing a Bachelor of Science degree in one of the Curriculum and Instruction majors may enter the major conditionally as a freshman or as a transfer student. All candidates must complete Candidacy during the first block of education courses. Candidacy packets will be distributed in a Block One course.

For students admitted to majors outside of the curriculum and instruction department who wish to enter an Adolescence, Childhood, or TESOL Education major:

Meet with the Advisement Coordinator, Sandra Kyle, at 102 Wilber Hall to complete the Change of Major form and new major advisement. You will need to bring a CAPP report and a copy of any transfer summaries to the appointment. (See office hours at www.oswego.edu/~ciugrad)

Fall '09 Important Dates to Remember:

September 7 (Mon): Labor Day- No Classes

September 10 (Thurs): Final date to add an undergraduate or graduate semester course

September 16 (Wed): Block One Student College Hour Event at 12:40-1:35pm (college hour), room 118 Campus Center (Auditorium)

September 21 (Mon): Final date to drop an undergraduate or graduate semester course

September 28 (Mon): Yom Kippur —No Classes

September 29 (Tues): Classes will follow the Monday schedule.

October 14 (Wed): Registration begins for Winter Session

October 16—18 (Fri-Sun): Family & Friends Weekend

November 2-20 (Mon-Fri): Registration for spring 2010

***FINAL DATE TO ADD AN
UNDERGRADUATE COURSE:
Thursday, September 10***

***FINAL DATE TO DROP AN
UNDERGRADUATE SEMESTER COURSE:
Monday, September 21***

***COURSE WITHDRAWAL PERIOD:
(WP, WF, & WN)
September 23—October 30 ***

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COURSE WITHDRAWAL PERIOD:
(WP, WF, & WN)
November 2 —December 11***

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