University of New Hampshire
B.A. in Educational Studies: Equity, Diversity, & Inclusion

Apply to the Teacher Preparation Program

In spring of the second year by April 15th, students must formally apply to the teacher certification program.

Send Application Materials to the Education Department (Sto.Austin@unh.edu)

- Minimum GPA: 3.0
- Successful Completion of EDUC 500 (The Department has direct access to the instructor’s assessment of your performance)
- Praxis CORE test:
  - Applicants must obtain, at a minimum, a qualifying score (as set by the state of New Hampshire at the time of testing) on all three (Reading, Writing, and Mathematics) Core exams in order to be considered for admission.
  - Current NH qualifying scores may be found at the ETS Praxis Website under the “Tests required for all licensure areas” page.
  - To have scores sent to our office, please use the recipient code 3922.
  - You need to have a passing score in all three areas. For general information about test scores required for admission into our programs please visit our Test Scores webpage.
- Personal Statement/Essay Questions:
  - In no more than two pages (double space), describe the reasons you wish to pursue the EDI program, including relevant personal qualities and life experiences that have shaped your beliefs about learning, development and teaching diverse learners.
- State and Federal Background Check
  - UNH Education Department’s information on the Background Check.
  - Please fill out the Mandatory Background Check #1.
    - Access the step-by-step instructions.
  - Please include the confirmation email verifying that you have applied for your background check as a document with your application.
    - (Please note that all applicants must forward the background clearance email to education.department@unh.edu Attn: Department Chair upon receipt from NHDOE to proceed in the Teacher Preparation Program. The final background check approval is not required for this application, but only the documentation confirming that you have applied for the background check with NHDOE.)
- EDI Field Experience hours log
  - Document 100 hours of working with students and families
  - Within those 100 hours, 40 hours should be with youth/families whose backgrounds are different from the student’s own.