

Credential Office Newsletter

The History of the Education Department

Pacific Union College Education department has a long and rich history. Beginning in 1888, Pacific Union College had a “normal” school at their Healdsburg campus. A normal school was a school established for teacher training where the teacher training program and elementary school were both held in the same building. Teaching faculty demonstrated excellent teaching to the college students who worked alongside them in the classroom. Secondary students attended classes with the college students.

In 1909 the college moved to Angwin, CA and was renamed Pacific Union College. The original site for the normal school at the Angwin campus was in Mr. Angwin’s small, cramped house. The school was so full that the teacher’s desk stood in the doorway and the teacher stood behind it in the kitchen. In 1913 the school was moved to the old, dilapidated, and dingy Angwin Resort dance hall where it was located for 14 years.

In 1926 the first four-year Education major was established at PUC. PUC was the first Adventist college to establish an Education major. In 1927 the old dance hall building was torn down and West Hall, the current Education building was constructed. The building functioned as the elementary school and the normal department for teacher training. In 1930 a secondary education department was created. By 1945 PUC developed a 5th year credential program for teachers and teachers began to earn a graduate degree and complete a certification program. Just six years later in 1951 the first state-approved certification programs were offered in conjunction with graduate degrees in Elementary and Secondary education. Both SDA and California certification programs were offered as well as master’s degrees in Education. The elementary school moved to its current site on Cold Spring Road and the normal school was done away with. Now the Education department had the use of the whole building except for the ground floor.

Pacific Union College Education department has been modeling, and providing excellent education for 131 years. It is a place where many teachers have begun their journey of lifelong learning and teaching and where they can continue that journey. It is amazing to think of the countless students who have been blessed as a direct result of the work of teachers trained at PUC. We are excited to see where the journey takes you in the following year! Happy new school year. We know God has great plans for you!

Save The Date!

- **Classes Begin
9/23/19**
- **Pre-Vespers 9/27/19**
- **Placement Seminar
10/16/19**
- **Placement Seminar
10/23/19**
- **Placement Seminar
10/30/19**
- **CBEST Registration
Date 11/1/19**
- **LiveScan at PUC
Campus 11/9/19**
- **Student Teaching
Orientation 12/3/19**
- **Pre-Vespers 12/6/19**
- **CBEST Test Date
12/8/19**

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FALL STUDENT TEACHER

- Hannah Decolongon at Willow Elementary School, grade 5



“Are there amateur learning communities for student teachers?”

Mission Statement:

The mission of the Pacific Union College Education Department is to offer an excellent and distinctive Christian education for the purpose of developing professional teachers. These teachers will demonstrate the skills and teaching strategies necessary to create a rigorous, stimulating, and caring classroom climate where learning takes place for all students.

DEGREES AND CERTIFICATION PROGRAMS OFFERED AT PUC

A.S. and B.S. in Early Childhood Education

B.S. Liberal Studies

Seventh-day Adventist BASIC certification programs for secondary and elementary

California PRELIMINARY certification programs for multiple and single subjects

Seventh-day Adventist PROFESSIONAL certification program

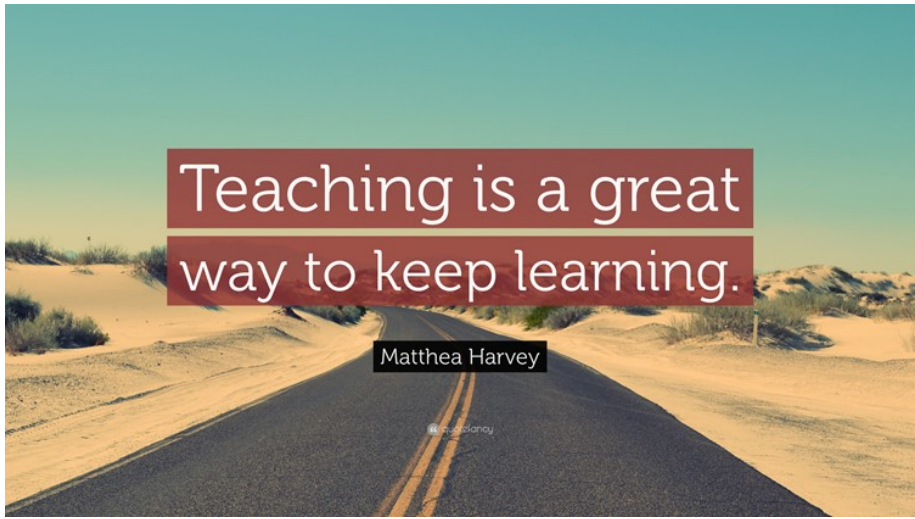
Master of Arts in Teaching Degree leading to elementary or secondary certification

Master of Education Degree for practicing teachers.

FIRST YEAR TEACHERS

- Michelle Camba-Miramonte Christian School, Grade 1.
- Tessa Corrales– Ukiah Jr. Academy, Grade 1.
- Erin Geluz-Wardlaw Elementary ,Grade 2.
- Tom Harrington-Sacramento Adventist Academy, K-8 Technology and IT director.
- Kyler Martin-Ukiah Jr. Academy, Grades 7-10.
- Tim Morita- Pleasant Hill Adventist Academy, Grades 7-8.
- Christy Solis-Valley Adventist Christian School, Grades T-K.
- Daniella Scarpino-VHM Christian School, Grade K.
- Seth Katada-Calexico Mission School, Grades 7-8 and high school PE.





Teaching is a great way to keep learning.

Matthea Harvey

ADVENTIST MISSION SCHOLARSHIP

We have great news! If you are pursuing education at PUC you may qualify for the Adventist Mission Scholarship of \$1,000 per quarter up to a total of \$3,000 per year. If you are interested in applying please contact the Credential Analyst in the Education Department.

If you are an Adventist Mission Scholarship recipient, please pay attention to these important reminders and deadlines

2018-2019 Credential Candidate Recipients:

In order to maintain your scholarship you must be formally admitted to the credential program by June. This includes passing CBEST, obtaining a Certificate of Clearance, and submitting application materials

2019-2020 Credential Candidate Recipients:

You are required to have a short interview with the credential analyst and your education advisor before the end of Fall quarter 2019 to discuss the requirements for maintaining the scholarship. You must also take EDUC 101 and EDUC 101L this school year and pass both courses. Finally, you must submit a partial application for admission to the teacher education program by June 2019. Please contact the Credential office with any questions!

NEW CANDIDATES ADMITTED TO THE PUC CREDENTIAL PROGRAM THIS FALL

Undergraduate Multiple Subject Candidates

- Jayla Cruse
- Roxanne Ferrolino
- Sydney Foliente
- Karla Ramos
- Chace Rogers
- Jordyn Washinger
- Morgan Williamson

Undergraduate Single Subject Candidates

- Hannah Beachboard
- Felicia Barnes
- Kyle Bullington

5th Year Program

- Nic Borchik
- Daphine (April) Moreno

Master of Arts in Teaching

- Michele Rafuse

Whose ready for a great year?



IMPORTANT REMINDERS!

CERTIFICATE OF CLEARANCE

Completion of the LIVE SCAN FINGERPRINTING and issuance of a CERTIFICATE OF CLEARANCE verifying you do not have a criminal record are prerequisites to formal admission to the Teacher Preparation Program and participation in field experiences in K-12 classrooms.

Pick up the LiveScan & Certificate of Clearance Packet in the Education Department and complete these important procedures.

CHECK YOUR EMAIL!

THE EDUCATION DEPARTMENT FACULTY AND STAFF COMMUNICATE WITH YOU USING YOUR PUC EMAIL ADDRESS. PLEASE CHECK IT REGULARLY AND OFTEN!



TESTING INFORMATION

CBEST

All applicants for admission to the Teacher Preparation Program must meet the Basic Skills Requirement. The CBEST exam is the most common option used by PUC candidates. It has three test sections, reading, writing, and math. CBEST is available as a paper-based test on campus five times a year and as a computer-based test off-campus on any date of your choice. CBEST may be repeated as many times as necessary to pass. A passing score report must be submitted to the Credential office as part of the application for program admission.

CSET

CSET is a test in which candidates demonstrate that they are competent to teach in the content area of the credential they desire. Multiple Subject Candidates must take and pass the Multiple Subjects Exam. Single Subject Candidates must take and pass the exam that matches their degree subject. The CSET must be passed IN FULL at least one quarter prior to the quarter when you are scheduled to student teach. Applications to student teach will not be approved and a student teaching placement will not be made until a passing CSET score report is on file in the Credential Office. Candidates should plan to take the CSET during their junior year so that they have plenty of time to re-take the test before the deadline if they do not pass all sections of the test on the first attempt. The CSET is available only as a computer-based test off-campus at a Pearson Test Center at a location and date of your choice.

RICA

RICA is a test required of all candidates for elementary credentials. This test demonstrates the candidate's ability to teach reading appropriately at the elementary level. The RICA must be passed before recommendations will be made for SDA or CA credentials. It should be taken during the quarter of student teaching. RICA is available only as a computer-based test off-campus at a Pearson Test Center at a location and date of your choice. RICA may be repeated as many times as necessary to pass. Dr. Buller provides a RICA Preparation Session during EDUC 498 which is taken concurrently with student teaching.

Study Guides to help you prepare for these tests are available at the circulation desk in the college library. Information about the content of the test, passing scores, and the process of registration is available in the Education Department in the brochure rack in the lobby.



**When you pass CBEST, CSET,
and RICA you will receive a
passing score report from NES via email.**

**IMMEDIATELY forward this email the Credential
Analyst at teachingcredentials@puc.edu so that
your passing score can be recorded!**

ORIENTATIONS, SEMINARS AND REVIEWS

RICA PREPARATION: Preparation for the RICA exam is provided by Dr. Buller for candidates who will take RICA this quarter at the conclusion of the student teaching experience. This review will take place during an EDUC 498-Student Teaching Seminar class period.

PLACEMENT SEMINARS: These special sessions are for all department candidates who will be ready to be hired into their first teaching position in the 2020-2021 school year. The seminars introduce candidates to the process of finding a job in both the SDA and public school systems, and prepares them for the Education Days experience in February. They are by invitation only. Watch for announcements!

APPLICATION SESSION #1: This session is required of all candidates who have been formally admitted to the program and who wish to complete Pre-Session Student Teaching and Full-Time Student Teaching during the 2019-2020 school year. The session provides candidates with information about the two experiences and provides the application materials needed to apply for each experience. They are by invitation only. Watch for further announcements.

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One child, one teacher,
one book, one pen can
change the world.

MALALA YOUSAFZAI

*“Educating the mind without educating the heart is no education at all.”
Ellen G. White*

HOW TO APPLY FOR ADMISSION TO THE TEACHER EDUCATION PROGRAM

- Complete one full quarter of college level coursework.
- Pass EDUC 101 (C- or better) and EDUC 101L (B- or better).
- Obtain and maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.75.
- Meet the Basic Skills Requirement with passing scores for the CBEST, SAT or ACT.
- Complete a Live Scan and obtain a Certificate of Clearance from the CTC (background check)
- Submit a Complete Application.



**Please stop by the Credential Office for
application materials!**



