



College Connections

DEGREES IN EDUCATION

New York state's independent colleges and universities play a vital role in preparing students studying to teach at any grade level. Each year, more than 17,500 students, earn degrees in education at 86 Independent Sector campuses. The Independent Sector awards 46% of the bachelor's degrees and 69% of the master's degrees in education*.

The Bureau of Labor Statistics projects that through 2016, overall student enrollments in elementary, middle, and secondary schools—a key factor in the demand for teachers—are expected to level off as children of the baby boom generation leave the school system. However, projected enrollments will vary

regionally. Fast-growing states in the South and West—led by Nevada, Arizona, Texas, and Georgia—will experience the largest jumps in enrollment.

Overall, employment of school teachers is expected to grow by 12 percent between 2006 and 2016, resulting in a projected need for 479,000 additional teacher positions.

Students interested in becoming a teacher may choose to major in a particular subject for a bachelor's degree and then work toward a master's degree in education, while others may prefer to enter a teacher training program at the undergraduate level (which also requires an academic major). To learn more about the

variety of ways to prepare for a career in teaching, go to "Which Pathway is Right for Me?" at:

<http://www.highered.nysed.gov/tcert/certificate/pathways.htm>

There are hundreds of teacher preparation programs in New York state. The list on the reverse side represents a small selection of some of the many majors, minors or areas of concentration related to education offered at the 100+ independent colleges and universities in New York.

*Source: New York State Education Department, Office of Research and Information Systems, 2006-2007

THE TEACH GRANT PROGRAM

The Teacher Education Assistance for College and Higher Education (TEACH) Grant Program, created by the U.S. Congress through the College Cost Reduction and Access Act of 2007, provides grants of up to \$4,000 per year to students who agree to teach in a public or private elementary or secondary school that serves students from low-income families. A recipient must teach for at least four academic years in a high-need field within eight calendar years of completing the course of study supported by his or her TEACH Grant. Examples of high-need fields are: bilingual education and English language acquisition, foreign language, mathematics, reading specialist, science, special education. For more information about the TEACH Grant Program, go to: <http://studentaid.ed.gov/PORTALSWebApp/students/english/TEACH.jsp>. To be eligible for a TEACH Grant, a student must:

- Complete the FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid), but is not required to show financial need.
- Be a U.S. citizen or eligible non-citizen.
- Be enrolled as an undergraduate, post-baccalaureate, or graduate student at a college or university that participates in the TEACH Grant Program.
- Be enrolled in coursework needed to begin a career in teaching or have plans to complete such work. Coursework may include subject area courses (e.g., math courses for a student intending to be a math teacher).
- Meet certain academic standards (e.g., scoring above the 75th percentile on a college admissions test or maintaining a cumulative GPA of at least 3.25).
- Sign a TEACH Grant Agreement to Serve. This requires a student to serve as a full-time teacher for at least four academic years at a low-income school, and the teaching service must be in a high-need field.

ANNUAL MEAN WAGES FOR TEACHERS IN NEW YORK STATE AND THE U.S.:

Kindergarten teacher:	\$62,320 (NYS)	\$47,750 (U.S.)
Elementary school teacher:	\$62,490 (NYS)	\$50,040 (U.S.)
Middle school teacher:	\$64,140 (NYS)	\$50,630 (U.S.)
Secondary school teacher:	\$64,020 (NYS)	\$52,450 (U.S.)

A student interested in the TEACH Grant Program should contact the financial aid office at the college where the student is enrolled to find out if that college is participating in the program. For more details, a TEACH Fact Sheet is available at: http://studentaid.ed.gov/students/attachments/sitesources/4807Teach_FactSheet_v3.pdf.

New York State independent colleges and universities participating in the TEACH Grant Program (as of February 16, 2009)

Bank Street College of Education	Houghton College	College
Boricua College	Keuka College	St. John Fisher College
Canisius College	Le Moyne College	St. John's University
The College of Saint. Rose	Maria College	St. Lawrence University
Daemen College	Molloy College	Syracuse University
Elmira College	Mount Saint Mary College	Teachers College/ Columbia University
Hofstra University	Nazareth College	Wells College
	Nyack College	
	Roberts Wesleyan	

Source: U.S. Department of Education: Federal Student Aid – TEACH Grant Program, <http://studentaid.ed.gov/PORTALSWebApp/students/english/TEACH.jsp>

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SELECTED PROGRAMS IN EDUCATION AT INDEPENDENT COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

This list represents a small selection of the many associate and bachelor's degree majors, minors or areas of concentration related to education offered at the 100+ independent colleges and universities in New York. The list is not exhaustive. As always, contact the colleges directly to confirm program offerings.

You can search a database containing more than 500 academic programs on New York's private (independent) colleges and universities' admissions and financial aid Web site, www.nycolleges.org. (To access the database directly, please click [here](#)) How to search:

- At Step 1, select a degree-level (associate or bachelor's); (let's pick *bachelor's degree* as an example)
- Step 2 will prompt you to choose an area of study; (let's now select "Education")
- At Step 3, in this list you'll see the programs of study offered (continuing our example, let's pick "Special Education").

A list of colleges and universities offering "Special Education" will appear at the bottom of the screen. Click on one of the colleges to go to their campus profile and link to the college's Web site.

The database is a general listing to start you searching academic programs. Always be sure to consult with the colleges directly for details on their programs and to distinguish registered degree programs from minors and major areas of concentration offered within larger programs.

ASSOCIATE PROGRAMS

Education Studies

Villa Maria College of Buffalo

Nursery/Early Childhood Education/Development/Assistant

Maria College
Metropolitan College of New York
Villa Maria College of Buffalo

Teacher Assistant

Maria College

BACHELOR'S PROGRAMS

Early Childhood Education, Birth – 2/ Special Education, Birth – 2

Canisius College
The College of Saint Rose
Concordia College
Daemen College
Dowling College
Roberts Wesleyan College
St. Bonaventure University
St. Joseph's College/Brooklyn Campus

Elementary Early Childhood Education N – 6/K – 6

Adelphi University
Alfred University
Barnard College
Boricua College
Canisius College
Cazenovia College
Colgate University
College of Mount Saint Vincent
The College of New Rochelle
The College of St. Rose
Columbia University
Concordia College
Daemen College
Dominican College
Dowling College
Elmira College
Fordham University
Hartwick College
Hobart and William Smith Colleges
Hofstra University
Houghton College
Iona College
Keuka College
Le Moyne College

Long Island University/Brooklyn and
C.W. Post Campuses

Manhattan College
Manhattanville College
Marist College
Marymount Manhattan College
Medaille College
Metropolitan College of New York
Molloy College
New York Institute of Technology
New York University
Niagara University
Nyack College
Pace University
Skidmore College
St. Bonaventure University
St. Francis College
St. John Fisher College
St. John's University/Queens and Staten
Island Campuses
St. Joseph's College
St. Thomas Aquinas College
Syracuse University
Touro College
Utica College
Vassar College
Wagner College
Wells College
Yeshiva University

Physical Education K – 12

Adelphi University
Canisius College
Hofstra University
Houghton College
Ithaca College
Long Island University/Brooklyn and
C. W. Post Campuses
Manhattan College
The Sage Colleges/Sage College of
Albany
St. Bonaventure University
St. Francis College
Syracuse University

Secondary Teacher Training 7–12

(Preparation to teach biology, business, chemistry, Chinese, earth science, English, French, German, Greek, Hebrew, Italian, Japanese, Latin, mathematics, physics, Russian, science, social studies, Spanish; Check with colleges for specific programs):

Adelphi University
Alfred University
Barnard College
Canisius College
Colgate University
College of Mount Saint Vincent
The College of New Rochelle
The College of St. Rose
Columbia University
Cornell University
Daemen College
Dominican College
Dowling College
Elmira College
Fordham University
Hartwick College
Hobart and William Smith Colleges
Hofstra University
Houghton College
Iona College
Ithaca College
Keuka College
Le Moyne College
Long Island University/Brooklyn and
C.W. Post Campuses
Manhattan College
Manhattanville College
Marist College
Marymount Manhattan College
Molloy College
Mount Saint Mary College
Nazareth College
New York Institute of Technology
New York University
Niagara University
Nyack College
Pace University
Roberts Wesleyan College
Siena College
St. Francis College
St. John Fisher College
St. John's University/Queens and Staten
Island Campuses
St. Joseph's College
St. Lawrence University
St. Thomas Aquinas College
Syracuse University
Union College
Utica College
Vassar College
Wagner College
Wells College

CICU HONORS INSPIRATIONAL EDUCATORS

Twenty-one graduates of New York state's private, independent colleges and universities were honored at the 2009 Alumni Hall of Distinction Awards Ceremony and Legislative Reception, held on March 2nd at the New York State Capitol as part of clcu's 53rd Annual Meeting for college and university presidents.

This year's focus was on elementary school educators and leaders who have inspired their students and brought attention to the important role of New York State's Independent Sector in preparing teachers, educating students at all levels, and administering essential school programs. Each year, more than 17,500 students earn degrees in education at 86 private colleges and universities. Those honored at the Alumni Hall of Distinction Awards Ceremony were joined by Robert M. Bennett,

Chancellor of the Board of Regents, John Sexton, President of New York University, and Abraham M. Lackman, clcu President, along with independent college and university presidents, higher education leaders, state legislators, and policymakers.

The 2009 Alumni Hall of Distinction honorees are:

- Alfred University - Peggy Wozniak
- Clarkson University - Richard F. Seifert
- College of Mount Saint Vincent – Rose G. Kelly McTague
- The College of Saint Rose - Cecily Wilson
- Daemen College - Jeffrey Rabey
- Dominican College - Bernadette Kappen
- Dowling College - Wendy Power
- Excelsior College - Charles Dedrick
- Fordham University - Patricia Kelly-Stiles
- Hofstra University – Bonnie Kaufman Epstein
- Nazareth College – Cynthia Lowenguth

- New York University - Danielle Dubno
- Nyack College - Renee Horrey
- Pace University - Debra Barbosa-Galarza
- Roberts Wesleyan College - Barbara Murray
- St. Bonaventure University - Marc Vachon
- St. Joseph's College - Marianne Ferrara
- St. Lawrence University - Trudy Hall
- Syracuse University - Daniel Lowengard
- Teachers College, Columbia University - Sabrina Hope-King
- University of Rochester - Joy Moss

To learn about these honorees visit <http://www.cicu.org/successStories/alumniHall.php>

To learn about the many ways independent colleges and universities are educating teachers, read "The New Education of Teachers" at http://www.cicu.org/publicationReports/article.php?Article_ID=81 and "The Fine Art of Teaching" at <http://www.cicu.org/>