

**GRADUATE CERTIFICATE:
INSTRUCTION IN URBAN SCHOOLS (INUS)**

Description:

The **Instruction in Urban Schools Certificate** is designed to provide K-12 professionals the historical, theoretical, research, and practical knowledge related to teaching and learning. This knowledge can be applied to all school settings, especially those with diverse student populations.

Application Requirements:

All candidates are admitted based on the following criteria: a valid teacher certificate; an undergraduate GPA of 3.0 (on a 4.0 scale) or above; completion of undergraduate deficiencies; for international students, a minimum TOEFL score of 550 paper or 213 computer. Two application forms are required: Graduate Application for Admission <http://www.unomaha.edu/graduate/prospective/applyforadmission.php> and the Teacher Education Department Graduate Application for Admission form <http://coe.unomaha.edu/ted/applicationprocess.php>.

Course Requirements:

Students will develop, with their certificate advisor, an individualized plan of study from the following categories. The plan of study must be approved by the student's assigned certificate advisor.

Students must complete 18 hours within the following guidelines:

Required pedagogy courses (9 hours):

TED 8190 – Contemporary Issues in Urban Education

TED 8180 – Culturally Responsive Teaching

TED 9200 – Critical Pedagogy: Teaching for Social Justice

Related courses (9 hours):

Courses acceptable for certificate: TED 8800 Multicultural Literature; UBNS 8020 Race, Ethnicity and American Culture; GEOG 8126 Urban Geography; HIST 8436 American Urban History; SOC 8100 Social Inequality; SOC 8110 Social Problems of the Disadvantaged, or other courses with advisor's approval.

The certificate coursework can be applied toward a Master's Degree in Elementary Education or Secondary Education.

***Advisors:**

Certificate + Masters in Elementary Education: Dr. Wilma Kuhlman, 402/554-3926, wkuhlman@mail.unomaha.edu

Certificate + Masters in Secondary Education: Dr. Sarah Edwards, 402/554-3468, skedwards@mail.unomaha.edu

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* Note: Students in the Secondary Education master's program may also have an advisor specific to their academic area.

TIMELINE
FOR STUDENTS COMPLETING A GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN
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✓ when completed	When	To Do
	Admission into the Graduate College	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Apply to be admitted to the Graduate certificate program http://www.unomaha.edu/graduate/prospective/applyforadmission.php - Discuss your sequence of courses with your advisor.
	As soon as possible	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Decide if you plan to complete a Master's degree in addition to this certificate. If so, contact one of the advisors listed on the reverse side of this timeline <i>and</i> the Office of Graduate Studies, (402)554-2341.
	Completion of 6-15 hours	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Complete both sides of the "Graduate Plan of Study" worksheet for this certificate (<i>form available in Kayser Hall 514 or online at http://coe.unomaha.edu/grad/graduatecertificates.php</i>) - Submit the plan to your advisor (<i>You may submit this to the Graduate Program Office Assistant in KH 514. The Office Assistant will pass this on for the required signatures.</i>)
	Beginning of your last semester/ session	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Submit "Application Form for Graduate Certificate Award" (see yellow box "graduation" online at: http://www.unomaha.edu/graduate/forms.php?t=r)
	After grades are posted	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Certificate is awarded after all grades have been submitted for coursework being applied to this certificate. - Completion of your certificate will be posted to your transcript at this time. - The certificate will be mailed to you.