SPECIAL SERVICES

Public School Placements

The Field Placement Office in the School of Education assists in making placements to enable teachers and other school personnel to complete their various practicum experiences. All field placements require students to have a current background clearance check.

Students admitted to the Teacher Education program are required to complete practicums within one of the School of Education’s nine partner districts (Center School District, KCMO, KCKS, Grandview, Hickman Mills, Independence, North Kansas City, Raytown, Turner and UMKC-sponsored charter schools). All Teacher Education programs require students to complete at least a semester-long student teaching experience. During student teaching, students are under the guidance of cooperating mentor teachers and members of the University’s education staff. Weekly seminars are a required part of the program.

Career Services at UMKC

The Career Services Office offers a variety of career and job-related services to students and alumni. Through Career Services, students can receive resume, interview and job search assistance. Teacher Education and School Counseling students in their last year of coursework can interview with representatives of area school districts through a Career Day sponsored by Career Services.

Students or graduates seeking a teaching or administrative position are urged to register and keep their records current in the Career Services Office, 4825 Troost, phone (816) 235-1636 or check their Web site: http://www.career.umkc.edu/.

The Career Services Office will be located in the new Student Success Center.

Technology Learning Laboratory

The Technology Learning Lab is located in the STAR Center in room 129 in the Education Building. The TLL is operated by the School of Education specifically for Education students. It offers specialized equipment for scanning, digital video and digital video edition. In addition, one-on-one assistance with software applications, electronic portfolio construction and technology integration techniques for the classroom is available.

Customized training is available by appointment and on a first-come, first-served basis. Computers with the PC and Mac platforms are available. For more information, visit http://education.umkc.edu/tll.

Office of Continuing Education

Through Continuing Education, hundreds of courses are offered to teachers and other community members throughout the Greater Kansas City area and beyond. Credit and non-credit courses are offered throughout the year at various locations and at various times. Continuing Education also has numerous online offerings to fit any schedule. For course topics and additional information, visit our Web site at http://education.umkc.edu/CE/ or call (816) 235-1188.