

## TEACH WHAT YOU LOVE; LOVE WHAT YOU TEACH.

Have you considered teaching middle or high school students?

Would you enjoy sharing your knowledge and skills with young adults?

The Career and Technical Education program prepares students to teach middle and high school **business**, **family and consumer sciences**, **and technology** students. When you complete the program, you will receive a Bachelor of Science in Career and Technical Education with Illinois state teacher licensure.

# VERSATILE DEGREE NOT JUST FOR TEACHERS

This versatile degree prepares you for jobs such as:

- Teacher
- · Company Trainer
- · Program Director
- · Specialist in:
- Business, Marketing, Accounting
- Clothing Design, Food and Nutrition, Child Care, Hospitality
- Robotics, Manufacturing or Construction Management, Industrial Design

"The CTE program at EIU has opened many doors for me that I didn't know were there. There are so many new things to experience, from all the wonderful equipment we have, to the vast amount of knowledge from the professors. There is something new to do or learn every day and I don't think I could've gotten this amazing experience anywhere else!"

- Matthew N. Mullins

# **BS in Career and Technical Education**

Business,
Family and Consumer Sciences,
and Technology Education
WHY YOU SHOULD STUDY CTE AT EIU.

### **Professional Development**

Through participation in professional development activities such as serving as a judge at high school competitions, attending professional conferences at the state and national levels and participating in workshops held on Eastern's campus, you will learn more about your content area (business, family and consumer sciences or technology) and how to excel as an educator.

### **Practical Experience**

In your first Career and Technical Education class, you will begin developing practical experience by observing in middle school and/or high school classes in your content area. Through these experiences, you begin to see yourself as the teacher rather than the student.

### **Versatile Major**

Career and Technical Education majors develop strong presentation, communication, and critical thinking skills – which are desired in a wide range of career fields.

#### **Connections**

Small class sizes allow you to make connections with other Career and Technical Education majors who can share their own experiences, materials and tips. With a low faculty-to-student ratio, you get to know your professors and they get to know you – which helps you with recommendations for jobs, obtaining scholarships and networking opportunities. They can provide valuable resources and teaching materials.

### **Scholarships**

Eastern is dedicated to investing in our students and rewarding those who are committed to personal and professional success. While the cost of any college degree is expensive, Eastern provides several scholarships for students majoring in Career and Technical Education.

Visit: www.eiu.edu/scholarships



# CTE by the numbers.



## SAMPLE COURSEWORK

In addition to the required general education courses, students take education courses in both the College of Education and in the content areas of Business, Family and Consumer Sciences, or Technology.

## **HIGH-IMPACT LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES**

Students spend 100 hours working in school areas. In addition, professional teacher organizations and student organizations such as the Association of Technology Management and Applied Engineering (ATMAE), Student Association of Family and Consumer Sciences, and Pi Omega Pi promote professional development and opportunities to present research. Eastern has a variety of student clubs and activities for CTE majors, as well as opportunities to work with area youth, or study abroad.

# **TEACHING AREAS UPON DEGREE COMPLETION**

Students in the area of business will be able to teach courses such as accounting, basic business, marketing, information processing, keyboarding, web page development, consumer education, and computer programming.

Students in the area of family and consumer sciences will be able to teach courses such as child and daycare, food and nutrition, clothing and textiles, institutional and home management, consumer education, and family relations, among many others.

Students in the area of technology will be able to teach courses in areas like sustainable and alternative energy, integrated computer technologies, digital media technologies, robotics, 3D printing/rapidprototyping, construction, and manufacturing.

# 100%

the placement rate for students going into teaching from the CTE program at EIU

CTE teachers play a role in the education of the vast majority of secondary students.



of high school students will earn at least one CTE credit prior to graduation.

(Association for Career and Technical Education [ACTE], n.d.)

CTE teachers make up a significant portion of the teaching workforce.

Of the nearly one million middle and high school teachers nationwide, approximately 14 percent are CTE teachers.\*

# **(140,000 CTE teachers)**

\*(Bureau of Labor Statistics [BLS], 2013; National Center for Education Statistics [NCES], 2008; Walter & Gray, 2002).

To find the average salary in your location, visit www.isbe.net/research/htmls/teacher\_salary.htm

### **FOR MORE INFORMATION**

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### **About Eastern**

Eastern Illinois University, located in the east-central Illinois community of Charleston, has a rich tradition of preparing students to accomplish their life goals through a great combination of quality academics and personal relationships. Eastern offers a wide variety of programs taught by an experienced and caring faculty. Student graduation and retention rates are well above state and national averages, and Eastern ranks high in job placement, alumni satisfaction and employer satisfaction. For additional information, visit our website or call the Office of Undergraduate Admissions at 217-581-2223.

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