### Metropolitan College – UPS – University of Louisville Program Overview

### **Degree Program & Certification Offerings:**

- ✓ Bachelor of Science in Early Elementary Education: Individualized Track
- ✓ Bachelor of Science in Early Elementary Education: Moderate & Severe Disabilities
- ✓ Bachelor of Science in Early Elementary Education: Learning & Behavioral Disorders
- ✓ Bachelor of Science in Early Elementary Education: Interdisciplinary Early Childhood

### **Pre-Professional Phase**

First Two Years – Professional Advisor Assigned Includes Fall, Spring, & Summer Term Enrollments

### **Cardinal Core Gen. Ed. Requirements**

- Approximately 31 Credit Hours.
- C or Better Required in ENGL 102 & Oral Communication for admission to Professional Phase.

### **Pre-Professional Education Requirements**

- Approximately 18-30 Credit Hours of EDTP/EDSP courses at the 100 – 200 Level depending on track.
- B Minus or Better Required in all courses for admission to Professional Phase.

# **Elementary Education Math Requirements**

- 6 Credit Hours & needed for Elementary and LBD tracks only.
- C or Better Required in the below courses for admission to the Professional Phase:
  - MATH 151: Math for Elementary Educators I
  - MATH 152: Math for Elementary Educators II

## **Application to Professional Program**

- Qualifying Test Scores in ONE of the following:
  - Praxis CASE: RDG 156, WTG 162, & MATH 150, OR
  - ACT Composite: 22, OR
  - ACT: RDG 20, ENGL 18, MATH 19, OR
  - Combination of ACT & CASE Minimum Scores, OR
  - Minimum Cumulative GPA of 3.0 within 5 points of one or more of the minimum CASE scores.
- 2.75 Cumulative GPA OR 3.0 in Last 30 Hours Earned
- o Professional Writing Requirements (2 Essays)
- o 3 Letters of Recommendation
- o Potential Interview

### **Professional Phase**

Last Two Years – Faculty Mentor Assigned Includes Fall, Spring, & Summer Term Enrollments

### **Faculty Mentoring**

- Students are assigned a Faculty Mentor who are subject matter experts in the field of Elementary, MSD, LBD, & Early Childhood Education.
- Students will continue to collaborate with Professional Advisor on course planning and degree completion.

#### **Cohort Model**

 Students are grouped in a cohort model to facilitate learning and collaboration amongst teacher candidates. This helps in building community and support as they progress through the rest of the program.

## **Field Experience Requirements**

 Students will complete remaining 200 hours required by Kentucky Department of Education prior to Student Teaching & Capstone Semester.

#### **Professional Education Requirements**

- Approximately 48-60 Credit Hours of upper division EDTP/EDSP courses with embedded field experiences depending on chosen track.
- Students will complete one semester of Student Teaching a Capstone Seminar in the Fall or Spring of their senior year.

### **Kentucky Teacher Licensure Exam Requirements**

 Prior to graduation, candidates are encouraged to register and take their designated licensure exams leading to Initial Teacher Certification from the Education Professional Standards Board.

#### **Graduation Requirements**

- Minimum of 120 Degree Applicable Credit Hours
- Minimum of 60 Degree Applicable Credit Hours of the 120 Earned at the University of Louisville.
- Minimum of 50 Degree Applicable Credit Hours of the 120 Eared at the 300 Level.
- 2.75 Cumulative GPA and 3.00 Professional GPA Required.

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