

Teacher Preparation News

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Have a Great Fall Semester!

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*If you have news that would be useful to teacher candidates, email edprep@semo.edu by 12:00 noon on the **Friday** prior to the publication date to have it included in the next newsletter. ***Some newsletter hyperlinks are not compatible with iPad*** Follow this [link](#) for recent past newsletters (near the bottom of the page).*

Welcome Back!

Welcome back, education majors! We have missed having you on campus and look forward to seeing you in our classrooms. We know there is much about this semester that will be different from the past, but there are some things in our Education Preparation program that haven't changed: caring, knowledgeable faculty, course work that prepares you well for a teaching career, an emphasis on using technology in instruction, an education program that is nationally accredited, and classmates that will become life-long friends. If you are a new freshman or transfer student, we want to extend you a special welcome and let you know you can stop by our department offices at any time with questions or concerns. Have a great semester!

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Technology Requirements for Education Majors

Students in educator preparation programs must have a device for teaching and learning beyond their phones. For information regarding minimum device specifications, please visit the [Student Device Specifications](#) webpage. If you have further questions, you can contact the EDvolution Center at edvolution@semo.edu.

Background Checks

If you are planning to do field work in PreK-12 school buildings during the Fall 2022 semester, you are required to have an up-to-date fingerprint background check on file with the Teacher Preparation Program. Field work courses include CE364, CE480, ED280, EL314, EL350, EL430, EL480, EX309, EX480, ME222, ME270, SE355, SE380, SE465, and any other course that requires field work in a school. (If you previously obtained a background check for the Southeast Missouri State University Teacher Preparation Program, it has not expired.) To see if your background check is up-to-date with the Teacher Preparation Program you can find this information in your Support Net Notes section. To obtain a new background check, you must go to the following [website](#) and follow the directions provided.

Thursday, August 25: Join the Edgy Educators Podcast

Are you looking for a fun activity and one that builds your resume? Join the Edgy Educators Podcast! We need hosts, editors, and producers! Does your club or organization want to make a commercial for the podcast? We need those too! Come for an informational meeting on Thursday, August 25 in room 423, at 5:00 p.m. Questions? Dr. Robin Smith at rlsmith@semo.edu for information.

Friday, September 9 – Face-to-Face Jackson District Substitute Teacher Training

The Jackson School District will be hosting a Substitute Teacher Training session from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. on Friday, September 9, in Scully Room 312. Substitute teaching is a great opportunity to gain experience and to have school personnel to get to know you. It will increase your teaching skills and improve your resume. This training will enable participants to substitute teach in the Jackson District. In addition, the district will pay \$45 after you have substituted in a district school for one day. A valid substitute certificate is needed in order to sub. If you do not have a sub certificate, please contact Charity Wills at cwills@jr2mail.org or 573-243.9501. To register, email your name and major to edprep@semo.edu.

Are you Eligible to Student Teach During the Spring 2023 Semester?

Here is the [link](#) to apply for student teaching for the Spring 2023 semester.

The deadline to apply for student teaching is **September 2, 2022**. Instructions for the application process can be found [here](#). (PLEASE READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS FOUND ON THIS PAGE).

Once you have filled out the student teaching application you will receive an email with the link to upload the required student teaching application documents (allow 3-4 days to receive this link after you have applied). The deadline to upload this document is **September 16, 2022**.

Please be aware that the deadline to apply for your substitute certificate (which is a required document) is **July 29, 2022**. Instructions on how to apply for your Sub Certificate can be found under "Sub Certificate" [here](#).

Also, know that you will be required to pass all sections of the Missouri Content Assessment (MoCA) exam prior to student teaching. Some students in the past were not able to student teach, because they waited too late to take the exam. Start taking the MoCA now so you meet the **December 2, 2022**, deadline!!! Follow this [link](#) to register for the MoCA exams.

If you have any questions or concerns about the student teaching application process, please contact the Candidate Status & Certification Officer, Alicia Lincoln at aelincoln@semo.edu or 573-651-5932.

meeting on Tuesday, August 23 in room 423, at 5:00 p.m. Questions? Dr. Robin Smith at rlsmith@semo.edu for information.

EDvolution Newsletter

The latest edition of the EDvolution Newsletter can be found [here](#).

Fall Career Expo

SEMO Career Services is excited to announce that registration is open for the Fall Career Expo on Wednesday, September 21, 2022! Mark your calendar now to attend the Fall Career Expo at SEMO!

This all-majors event is a great opportunity to connect with your future interns and employees. The Expo will get your company noticed by talented Redhawks seeking internships and full-time positions. Our events typically sell out several weeks in advance, and we encourage you to secure your booth by registering today!

Fall Career Expo

Date: Wednesday, September 21, 2022

Time: 10 am – 2 pm

Location: Show-Me Center (1333 N. Sprigg)

Register: [Fall 2022 Career Expo Registration](#)

Please call Amy Aldridge at (573) 651-2190 or email aaldridge@semo.edu if you have any questions about the Fall Career Expo or recruiting at SEMO.

240 Tutoring Study Guides Available

240 tutoring offers a monthly subscription to a library of study guide materials for MoGEA, Elementary Education, Middle School ELA, Middle School Math, Middle School Science, Middle School Social Science, Secondary Math, Secondary Social Science, Middle School Professional Knowledge, and Secondary Professional Knowledge. A 240 subscription includes timed diagnostic and practice tests, videos, flashcards, and quizzes. 240 also offers a refund of up to two months of the subscription fee if the user gets a 90% on the practice test but does not pass the MOCA exam. The monthly subscription fee is normally \$39.99 a month, but this [link](#) offers a 50% discount.

To learn more about 240 tutoring, visit [here](#) or see the linked flyer below.

[240 Tutoring Flyer](#)

MoCA/MoGEA Study Guides Available on Canvas

MoCA/MoGEA Study guides are available on Canvas. You should receive an invitation to a Canvas Course titled Pre-Service Teacher Resources, which will house study guides and

other resources related to educator preparation. If you would like access and don't have it, please email edprep@semo.edu.

Do you Want to Learn More about Student Teaching Placements?

Watch the [attached video](#) for information on the how this process works.

Do you have Items to Share on Facebook Related to Educator Prep?

There is lots of good information on our [Ed Prep Facebook page](#). Please share and like this page! If you have any items to post, please submit them to edprep@semo.edu!

Employment Information

New full and part-time positions are posted at REDHAWKjobs.com. You can also check out [Missouri Teaching JOBS](#) or MOREAP.net.