

Rowan University is a comprehensive research university located in southern New Jersey with campuses in Glassboro and Camden. Recent data show an enrollment of 13,349 students (10,951 undergraduates, 1,650 graduates, and 748 professionals) from 31 States and 19 foreign countries and a minority enrollment of 24%. Of these students, in Fall 2013, 2,782 undergraduate and 1,092 graduate students were enrolled in the College of Education.

Since its beginnings in 1923 as Glassboro Normal School, Rowan University has been committed to the preparation of high quality education professionals, preparing candidates for careers in public and private schools, in private industry, government agencies, and non-profit organizations. The College provides initial preparation programs in early childhood education, elementary education, health and physical education and subject-matter (K-12) education in Art, English, mathematics, music, science, social studies, and Spanish. All early childhood, elementary and subject-matter candidates must have a dual major in an academic content area housed in our sister colleges in Communications and Creative Arts, Humanities and Social Science and Sciences and Mathematics. Initial teacher preparation in elementary education and some subject-matter disciplines is also available through a Master of Science in Teaching. Collaboration has begun with the Cooper Medical School at Rowan University in the development and implementation of a graduate Speech Pathology program.

The College of Education is a leading force in preparing and supporting reflective practitioners who use education to transform our global society. The College of Education's primary mission is to ensure that faculty and undergraduate and graduate candidates develop the knowledge, skills, and dispositions needed to foster academic achievement, social responsibility, personal responsibility, and social justice in themselves so that they can, in turn, facilitate high achievement in P-16 learners. Our programs provide an intellectually rigorous and challenging environment for all candidates and our faculty. Built on a liberal education, the College's programs combine the study of research, theory, and wisdom of practice in diverse setting with a variety of opportunities to apply knowledge, skills, and dispositions to practice.

Rowan University was among the first to have its teacher education programs accredited by NCATE in 1954. The unit has been continuously accredited with all programs nationally recognized since then. Some programs are accredited by other national bodies: Music Education is accredited by NASM; Counseling in Educational Settings, by CACREP; Athletic Training, by National Athletic Trainers Association; Wellness and Lifestyle Management program is pursuing accreditation through the National Wellness Institute.

A degree completion program in Early Childhood Education with a dual major of Liberal Studies: Humanities/Social Sciences will begin in September 2014 at Rowan College at Gloucester County. In September 2014, an elementary education program with a Literacy Studies dual major begins on the Rowan Camden campus, the first elementary education program offered fully on the Camden campus. At the graduate level are offered in both face-to-face programs and online. Graduate programs are also offered in a hybrid format. Currently, as an outgrowth of the awarding of a Woodrow Wilson Fellowship, the College of Education has developed an MA in STEM Education. This program is scheduled to begin in 2014.