EDUCATION STUDIES

“The Berea College Education Department has been unwavering in its efforts towards preparing students to be excellent educators. I have been blessed to have such a committed group of professors. The journey has been nothing less than wonderful.”

Brittany Ruth

ABOUT THE DEPARTMENT
Graduates receive a Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Education Studies. Students majoring in Education Studies may study a general curriculum in education (BA in Education Studies) or seek certification to become a K-12 classroom teacher. Becoming a certified teacher requires that candidates meet specific criteria at stated points during the preparation process.

Students interested in classroom teaching choose from the following programs:
• Elementary education (grades K-5)
• Middle grades (grades 5-9) in the areas of math or science
• Secondary education programs in English, mathematics, social studies, biology, chemistry, and physics (grades 8-12)
• Music (grades K-12) in the areas of instrumental and/or vocal music
• Physical Education and health (grades K-12)
• Engineering & Technology education (grades 5-12)

Students seeking certification at all levels conclude their preparation with a professional term (9th term) of Student Teaching.

OPPORTUNITIES & INTERNSHIPS
• Education students have opportunities to travel to visit schools in different communities.
• Students have opportunities to work with faculty engaging in research.
• Students are encouraged to attend and present at conferences.
• Education students are encouraged to study abroad.
• Education students are supported in engaging in culturally diverse internships.
• All Berea College students are funded for two internships.

CAREERS & OUTCOMES
Education Studies majors find employment in private and public schools and/or continue their study at the graduate level in a wide variety of areas. Graduates are working in:
• Local and international schools
• Charter Schools
• School Administrators
• Adult education
• Child and youth organizations
• Non-profit agencies
• After school programs
• Peace Corps
People with a liberal arts education are able to think and view the world from several different perspectives . . . This ability to understand and adapt is very valuable in today’s workplace.

Edward B. Rust Jr.
Chairman and CEO, State Farm Insurance Companies