

UW System
Institute for Urban Education

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A Brief History

*Never doubt that a small, group of thoughtful, committed **education deans** can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has.*

With apologies to Margaret Mead

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Mission

*To prepare educators that can effectively
work with diverse learners*

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Goals

- Expand upon existing pre-service and in-service professional development opportunities in urban education
- Facilitate the integration of science and practice in the area of Urban Education
- Increase the collaborative teaching and research efforts of UW System Programs of Education and K-12 Schools

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Program Components:

Short-range (Initiate in 2006-2007)

- **Pre-service Program Offerings**

Create curriculum and school and community experiences where pre-service teachers can gain relevant knowledge, skills, and dispositions that will enable them to effectively teach in urban settings

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Program Components:

Long-range Recommendations (2008+)

- Residential Pre-Service Program
- In-service Program
- Master Teacher-in-Residence Program
- Scholar-in-Residence Program

Phase I 2006-2007

Initiate Pre-Service Program

Components:

- Supervision Support for Student Teachers (Coordinate among all participating UW institutions)
- Seminar on Urban Education (for all participating student teachers)
- Community Experience (for all participating student teachers)
- Program Evaluation

Phase I Pre-Service Program Funding 2006-2007

\$100,000.00 provided from UW System PK-16 Initiative Grant to:

- Hire project coordinator
- Conduct program evaluation
- Hire faculty for urban education seminar
- Hire student teaching supervisors
- Support meetings of System Governance Board and Project Steering Committee

Sustaining Phase I 2007 and Beyond

- Participating campus contributions from tuition and fees for student teaching
- Secure external funding to allow for phase out of PK-16 Grant support and exploration of long-range recommendations

Phase II
Recommendation
Residential Pre-Service Program

Goal: To secure urban residence for student teachers to allow for creation of community-based learning model and emersion experience in urban setting

Phase III

Recommendation

In-Service Program

Goal: to provide ongoing professional development in the area of urban education

Components:

- Certificate in Urban Education for In-Service Teachers
- Biannual conference on Urban Education

Phase IV

Recommendation

Master Teacher-in-Residence Program

Goal: Access expertise of Master teacher for pre- and in-service offerings

Components:

- co-lead the Seminar on Urban Education
- provide supervision of pre-service and in-service teachers
- complete a project of personal interest

Phase V

Recommendation

Scholar-In-Residence Program

Goal: Opportunity for UW faculty to advance research and/or teaching in urban education

Components:

- Work in-residence on a relevant research and/or teaching project within the program
- Other involvement based on interests and expertise of the scholar

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Next Steps...

- Organize governance board and steering committee
- Establish program policies
- Hire project coordinator
- Hire program evaluator
- Develop seminar
- Identify community experiences

Common Challenges

- Competition to recruit “best and brightest” into education
- High-stakes testing (PRAXIS II)
- Geographic composition of communities

Common Challenges

- Lack of adequate resources to:
 - Support out-of-region recruitment
 - Fund scholarships for historically under-represented populations
 - Expand non-traditional offerings

Solutions

- Collect relevant data
- Reallocate existing resources
- Secure additional resources
 - State Budget Request
 - Professional Organizations/Foundations