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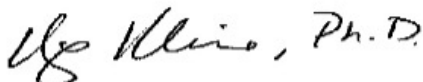
The College of Education and Social Sciences at Lewis University is wholly committed to developing highly skilled and dedicated professionals in the field of education. Our Lasallian heritage compels us to believe in delivering high quality education for all with an emphasis on vulnerable and marginalized populations. Our programs are designed for vital community partnerships. We work with school districts, social service agencies, Catholic schools, and with other academic colleges at Lewis University to offer programs that directly respond to the needs of the communities we serve.

We are extremely proud of the work we do in the College of Education and Social Sciences. Our faculty are excellent scholars and teachers. Not only do we prepare high quality teachers and administrators, we also educate school counselors and school social workers. Beyond this, we work with other academic program areas at Lewis University in preparing school nurses, speech-language pathologists, occupational therapists, cyber security specialists, and other professionals who work in schools.

In order to reduce barriers to obtaining a degree or certification, we commit valuable resources and time to continually increase the amount of scholarship funding we have available. We have received more than \$2.5 million from grants and donors to assist students pursuing degrees and certifications over the past three years. We are proud of what we have been able to accomplish with regard to helping students with tuition expenses.

If you are considering taking the next step in your career in the most rewarding of professions, if you are passionate about working with young people and helping them grow, and if you are committed to justice and making a positive impact on the world, we hope you'll join us in the College of Education and Social Sciences to pursue a degree or additional certification.

All the best,



Kip Kline, Ph.D.
Dean, College of Education and Social Sciences
Lewis University



Focus on Partnerships

Lewis University's Mission value of **Association** directs us to purposefully engage in cooperative partnerships with a variety of organizations. In this way we hope to form mutually beneficial relationships which demonstrate our commitment to serve our communities and empower us to impact our ever-changing world for the better.

PARTNERSHIP EXAMPLES

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS AND COMMUNITY PARTNERS

We view professional development as a commitment to continual, life-long learning that begins before graduation and continues across the careers of our graduates. Educator candidates and faculty work with professional organizations and in the community on varied service and professional development projects.

Recent partnerships:

- Disability Resource Center, drcjoliet.org/
- Will County Reading Council, illinoisreadingcouncil.org/will-county
- The Community Foundation of Will County, willcountycf.org

CENTER FOR COMMUNITY RESEARCH AND EDUCATION (CCRE)

The Center for Community Research and Education supports partnerships between Lewis University and local organizations to **develop research and educational programming that meets the social and educational needs of the community.**

During the first year, the Center partnered with several community organizations, such as the Spanish Community Center, Family Bridges, After the Peanut, Valley View Public Schools and District 86 Public Schools.

Research Examples include:

- research on trauma-infused education practices (District 86)
- the impact of quality after-school programming (Valley View Schools)

Educational Programming Examples include:

- the Multicultural Leadership Academy of Will County
- After the Peanut's STEAM camp for children ages 9-17
- parent training for families in Joliet's District 86 in the areas of social and emotional support for students
- summer professional development seminars

Have ideas for other partnership opportunities? Contact us (815) 836-5610 or grad@lewisu.edu.

DISTRICT AND SCHOOL PARTNERSHIP TUITION DISCOUNTS

Lewis is pleased to work with more than 60 schools and districts to provide discounts on tuition.

Partners include those in the private sector, not-for-profit institutions, and government. To view a complete list of discounts for partners visit lewisu.edu/partnership

CLINICAL PLACEMENT PARTNERS

Students are placed in varying discipline-specific educational settings to gain experience. Placements are secured by Lewis Clinical Coordinators.

In all, Lewis has 170 school partnerships and field work placement partners.

ACADEMIC PROGRAMS

LEARN TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE IN OUR SCHOOLS AND OUR COMMUNITIES.

Students and faculty – united by a common vision and shared dedication - work together to transform the classroom, our school systems and the communities around us. Faculty and advisors will work with you to develop a plan that helps you to meet your professional goals.

To discuss partnerships or any of our academic programs, please contact:
 Office of Graduate Admission, (815) 836-5610 or grad@lewisu.edu



Educators at all levels are in huge demand in Illinois, according to the latest study published by the Illinois Association of Regional Superintendents of Schools, as well as current Illinois State Board of Education data on open positions for licensed, highly-skilled teachers and administrators.

Why Lewis?

Lewis is especially good at preparing graduates who support the learning and development of our youth. We currently have 400 graduate students who are enrolled in education, school counseling, social work and our school nurse programs, all of which are nationally accredited.

EDUCATION

If you are preparing to become a teacher, we offer these programs:

- Early Childhood Education (Birth-2nd Grade)
- Elementary Education (Grades 1-6)
- Secondary Education (Middle, High School, Foreign Language)
- Special Education (K-Age 22)

Additional graduate programs and endorsements:

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| • Reading and Literacy, Reading Specialist | • Ed Leadership |
| • Bilingual/ELL | • Principal Preparation (online) |
| • Literacy and ELL | • Teacher Leadership |
| | • LBS1 |

HEALTH SCIENCES

- School Nurse
- Speech-Language Pathology
- Communication Sciences and Disorders
- Occupational Therapy
- Exercise Science with Athletic Coaching minor

SOCIAL AND PHYSICAL SCIENCES

- Clinical Mental Health Counseling
- Social Work
- School Counseling
- STEM Sciences

TECHNOLOGY

- Instructional Technology
- Computer Science
- Cybersecurity
- Data Science



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