



## Why choose Thiel

No doubt about it, when you graduate college, you'll be entering an exciting and highly competitive global market place and you'll want to be ready.

Thiel College provides a flexible, innovative, interdisciplinary education that lets you explore a range of options before choosing the specialty that suits you best.

#### Come to Thiel and you will:

- Work closely with teachers in small classes thanks to our 11:1 student teacher ratio.
- Discover the Tomcat Way a comprehensive four-year leadership development model designed to give every Thiel student the necessary tools for success on campus and beyond.

- Develop the creative and critical thinking skills that employers look for.
- Gain competency in business and individual analytics, strategic planning, communication and project management.
- Grow your interpersonal skills.
- Confront the ethical dilemmas faced by people in the field.
- Get support for entrepreneurial activities through the **Haller Enterprise Institute.**
- Network with distinguished alumni during weekly seminars in your junior and senior year.
- Complete an internship or practicum before graduation for hands-on experience.
- Year-over-year, within three months of graduation, 100% of Thiel accounting graduates are employed in their field of study.

# DISCOVER why education is so important

# Why earn a degree in education



In order to educate the next generation, you must obtain all the skills you need to become an outstanding educator.

We'll work with local school districts to place you in pre-student teaching mentoring programs so that you have classroom experience before you begin student teaching.

Then we'll guide you through the assessments required by the Pennsylvania Department of Education.

Most importantly, we'll help you acquire multiple endorsements to ensure that you have the knowledge, skills and credentials you need to compete in the job market.

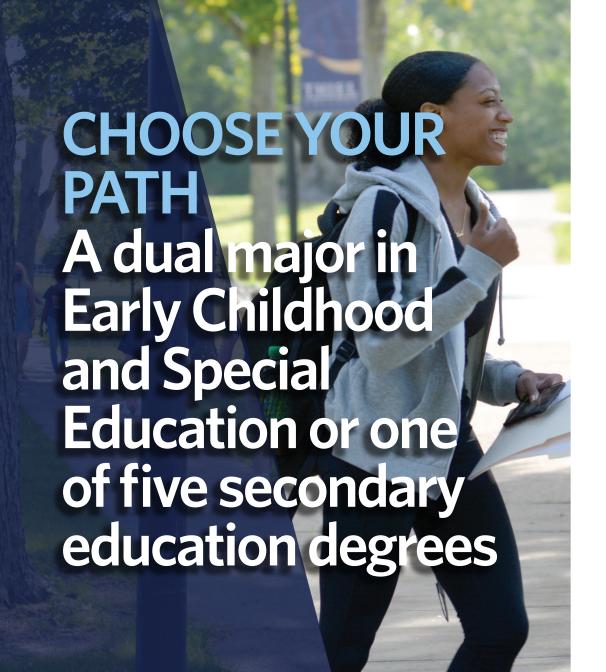
That's why year after year, Thiel's graduating education majors are either employed or continuing their education within six months of graduation.

Here are just a few of the classes Education majors can't wait to take:

- Effective Collaboration and Communication in the Academic Setting
- Integrating Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment

- Integrating the Arts for the Developing Child
- Language Development for Early Childhood
- Math Foundations for the Preschool Years
- Presentational Literacy
- Teaching Students with Behavioral Disabilities
- Teaching Students with High and Low Incidence Disabilities
- Using Instructional Technology and Universal Design





At Thiel College, education majors not only receive an outstanding liberal arts education and in-depth training in the classroom skills they need, but they also get the hands-on experience they need to be successful on Day 1. You'll also have the opportunity to earn multiple endorsements with one program so that you'll have the credentials to get the job you want.

By law, teachers are required to be certified to teach in public schools. So, you'll also receive the preparation you need to sit for state certification exams.

#### EARLY CHILDHOOD/ SPECIAL EDUCATION

This program equips you with the tools and knowledge you'll need to make a positive difference in the lives of young children and their families, regardless of ability, income level or cultural and linguistic backgrounds.

Careers and Skills: Training consists of general education classes as well as content classes in the area, field work, and student teaching.

Annual Median Wage: \$42,584\*

\*Average Salaries for Pittsburgh, Pa. according to Payscale.com (July 2021)

#### **SECONDARY EDUCATION**

Gain all the foundational knowledge and skills you need to effectively teach middle school or high school students in public or private settings.

Annual Median Wage: \$45,000\*

# SECONDARY EDUCATION CONTENT AREAS:

#### **TEACHING BIOLOGY**

Biology teachers guide students to understand how things happen in the



natural and physical environment, and illustrate the simplicity of design that underlies the complex events that occur in nature.

#### **TEACHING CHEMISTRY**

Help students learn about compounds, elements, molecules, atoms, ions, and

chemical reactions. Lead them in laboratory experiments that teach them the importance of the scientific method. Skills include decisionmaking, innovative thinking, listening, oral and written communication.

#### **TEACHING ENGLISH**

Work with students to improve their written communications skills and help them develop both an understanding of and a love for English literature and writing.

#### **TEACHING HISTORY**

As a history teacher, you'll do more than simply teach the facts, events and dates. You'll also impart the ethical standards and wisdom developed over centuries of human history.

#### **TEACHING MATHEMATICS**

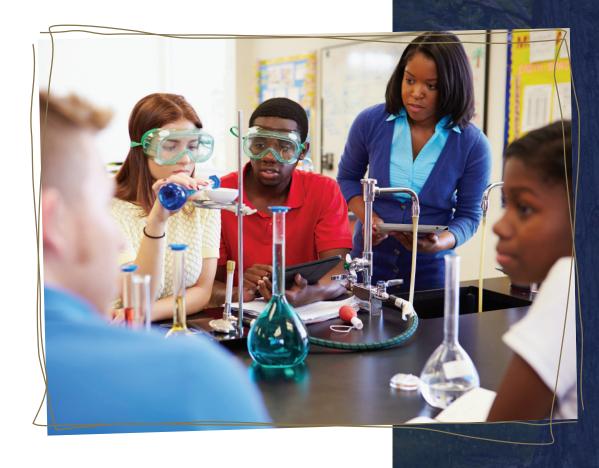
It's not enough to be good at mathematics in order to teach the subject. So, you'll not only hone your skills in mathematical concepts and applications, you'll also acquire a solid foundation in educational methods, learning and development, and instructional technologies.

#### **EXPERIENTIAL LEARNING**

Thiel Education majors are in demand because they have plenty of classroom experience.

That's because they are required to complete at least 190 hours of field

experience before student teaching. Much of this will happen as you complete your coursework. You are also highly encouraged to seek out additional opportunities.



SCHOLARSHIPS for education majors

You may be eligible for one of the following scholarships set aside exclusively for students majoring in education:

- The Patti McKee Bock Scholarship Fund
- The John T. Egbert Jr. and June Smith Egbert Scholarship
- The Rev. Dr. Luther E. and Ruth (Potts) Fackler Scholarship
- Ellwood and Sara Hauser Scholarship
- William Randolph Hearst Scholarship Endowment Fund
- Ralston Memorial Scholarship for Education
- The J. Fred Reinhardt Scholarships
- Elijah G. Paraskos '99 History Scholarship
- Charles E. Rogers '36 and Ruth G. Rogers Education Scholarship
- Beverly Birkenmeier Thomas Memorial Scholarship
- Dorothy E. Whitehill Endowment Fund

Information regarding eligibility can be found in the Academic Catalog or by contacting the Thiel College Financial Aid Office at 724-589-2006 or finaid@thiel.edu.



99% of all Thiel students receive some form of financial aid!



Thiel supports a well-rounded academic/co-curricular environment with more than 100 clubs, organizations, and teams including many that directly align with your field of study.

#### Kappa Delta Pi

This international education honorary society fosters excellence in education and promotes fellowship among those dedicated to teaching. Using a variety of programs, services, and resources, KDP supports and advances educators throughout the phases and levels of their teaching careers.

#### **Dietrich Honors Institute**

The Dietrich Honors Institute helps students become full human beings whose breadth of knowledge, strength of character and thoughtfulness of action make them natural leaders in the world.

#### Alpha Chi

This national college honor scholarship society recognizes and promotes academic excellence among college and university students of all disciplines to encourage a spirit of service and leadership, and to nurture the elements of character that make scholarship effective.

#### **Chi Alpha Epsilon**

This national honorary society for academic achievement promotes continued high academic standards, fosters increased communication among its members, and honors academic excellence achieved by those students

#### **National Society of Leadership and Success**

NSLS provides a life-changing leadership program that helps students achieve personal growth, career success and empowers them to have a positive impact in their communities.





# **Beyond Thiel**

We encourage you to start thinking about your future from Day 1 and take advantage of opportunities to gain work experience, study abroad, or work in research as part of your degree. Thiel's Career Development Center is here to help you identify opportunities and support you as you consider your career after college. As a result, you, and each of your classmates, will graduate with a unique combination of skills, experiences and relationships that will set you apart as you embark on your chosen career path.

# Find the Teaching Position You'll Love

With a Thiel education degree, you're sure to make a good impression. Thanks to hours of hands-on experience before student teaching begins, our students have the professional competence and confidence that makes them stand out. This means you are more likely to find the position you want in the school you want at the salary you want.



#### **Continue Your Education**

If the notion of continuing your education with a master's degree appeals to you, look no further than Thiel. With Thiel's 5-year program, you'll earn both your undergraduate degree and an M.B.A., saving you time and money. Thiel does not require the GMAT test for acceptance, and you'll gain hands-on, real world experience through the Graduate Assistant program.

## Successful Alumni

"Thiel really prepared me for writing IEPs and IEP meetings. I received so many compliments from faculty about exceeding their expectations as a first year teacher. I am thankful for Thiel preparing me so well."

Logan Addison '20.

9th-12th Grade Special Education Teacher, Susquehannock High School, York County, PA





"The Thiel College Education department in conjunction with the English department provided me with a solid foundation to begin my teaching career. The written and verbal interaction skills I learned while a student in the Education department paved the way for my career in school administration, which is at its core, centered around building positive and productive interpersonal relationships through effective communication."

**Jeff Keeling Ed.D. '07**, Principal (former 7th-12th Grade English Teacher)
Greenville Area School District, Greenville, PA

"I really enjoyed our field experiences. It was so helpful to be in so many different placements – from special education placements to varying grade levels. Thank you for everything, Thiel College Education Department! It has been a blessing to be a TC Education Department Alumna."

Alexa Banic '21, 5th Grade Learning Support Teacher

Hermitage School District, Hermitage, PA



### **Start Your Career**

Great companies and institutions that hire Thiel graduates:

Academy Charter School Butler Area School District Charlotte Parent Magazine Child Focus Inc. College Art Association Cranberry School District Greenville School District Harvard University Hermitage School District Hopscotch Early Learning Center Hubbard High School Jamestown Area School District Language Masters Los Angeles School District Mercer School District North Hills School District Pearson Education Pittsburgh Penguins Pittsburgh Public Schools Pittsburgh Steelers Reynolds Area School District Sharpsville School District St. Matthews Early Education Center University of Pittsburgh Viewmont Baptist Pre-school Wake Forest University Walt Disney World

