JUNIORS AND DECEMBER 2014 GRADUATES
ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

ADVISING

- Sign up for an advising appointment with your Educational Studies faculty advisor who will only be available Wednesday, October 23 through Friday, November 1.
- A list of advisee assignments is located on the bulletin board outside CLA 343.
- Come to your advising appointment with the following materials: Detailed degree evaluation (print from myiwu), the IWU catalog, the Teacher Education Handbook, and a tentative list of courses you wish to take in the spring. *Note changes in spring 2014 schedule of classes.*
- You will not be able to register without a pin # obtained from your advisor.

REQUIRED EDUCATIONAL STUDIES COURSES

- Register for all of the following courses: Educ 303, 305 and 320 – enrollment is contingent on success in your fall semester 2013 courses. Register for Educ 257 in the spring, if you have not already taken it.
- Seniors (ninth semester students) planning to graduate in December 2014 should also enroll in Educ 498-1.
- You may not enroll in Educ 260 or Educ 351 concurrent with the above courses.
- Juniors who plan to student teach during a ninth semester and to graduate in the fall of 2015, should not enroll in any junior year curriculum courses. Do so your senior year.

ELECTIVE EDUCATIONAL STUDIES COURSES

- Educ 270 Theoretical Foundations of Bilingual Education and Teaching English as a Second Language. (Meets bilingual/ESL endorsement course requirement. No prerequisites. May be taken concurrently with Educ 225 or Educ 255.)
- Educ 270 (May Term) Child and Adolescent Literature (Counts toward Child/Family Studies concentration and reading endorsement. Prerequisite: Educ 225)
- Educ 351 Middle School Mathematics is open only to seniors, with permission of department chair.

FIELD PLACEMENT

- Plan on up to 40 hours of field work over the spring term. You must have blocks of time free during the school day between 8:30 and 3:30. Instructions regarding field requirements will be provided by your professors.
- Plan on the possibility that you will need to make additional field hour arrangements with your cooperating teacher in order to gain experience in the content areas specific to your Educational Studies courses.
- Do not arrange field placements on your own. Doing so will have serious repercussions.
- Field placements for the spring have been arranged and are based on student teaching placement survey information provided in March 2013. If that information has changed, contact the Director of Field Placement Jen Crider no later than Monday, October 28th. Note that placement changes are not guaranteed.
- You are responsible for your own transportation to the field site. Placements may be up to 45 miles from IWU, as explained in the Teacher Education Program Handbook and per the Pre-Student Teaching Agreement Form.

STATE REQUIREMENTS

- All teacher candidates must pass the state Content Area exam for elementary candidates no later than April 13, 2014, to be approved for student teaching. Registration information and study guides may be accessed at http://www.il.nesinc.com/.
- Proof of a negative TB result must be submitted to the Educational Studies Office no later than April 24th. A TB clinic will be held in April.
- All local school districts are requiring criminal history checks just prior to student teaching. Students are responsible for the cost of the check. More information will be sent out in the spring.

PROGRAM STATUS

- The status of all candidates will be reviewed in May 2014 to determine final eligibility for student teaching. (Refer to admission requirements outlined in the TEP handbook: http://www.iwu.edu/edstudies/handbooks/).