

Student Education Association (SEA)

SEA welcomes you! Why join SEA? When you join the National Education Association and its state and local affiliates, you become an integral part of the most influential and the largest professional organization in the nation. As a student preparing for the teaching profession, you will receive many of the benefits and privileges of a professional member. Membership in the SEA Student Program provides you with \$1,000,000 association professional liability insurance while in the classroom, workshops addressing issues of pre-professional developments, publications from national and state affiliates, opportunities to network with other pre-professionals, opportunities for leadership at the local, state, and national levels, and information regarding certification requirements. EMU's SEA is very active in helping with various community activities and events. You can expect email announcements.

This year's officers are:

President: Maria Zehr

Vice-President: Samantha Page (Fall Semester)

Secretary: Cassie Leatherman

Treasurer: Ethan Henderson

Faculty Advisors: Tracy Hough, Sandy Brownscombe

Attention Sophomores:

Applications for Admission to the
Teacher Education Program are
DUE NOVEMBER 30, 2010

*Revised applications are available in the Education
Office.*

Attention Juniors:

Applications for Admission to Student
Teaching are
DUE NOVEMBER 30, 2010

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TRANSFER STUDENTS MEETING

All students who have transferred to EMU this year,
please meet with Cathy Smeltzer Erb on
**Thursday, September 9, 12:15-12:50 p.m. in
Room CC 203. Feel free to bring your lunch.**

2009-2010 Graduates

Maria Bowman
Linville Edom Elementary, garden teacher
Bethany Broschinski
Nicole Chelgren
Daniel Morgan Middle School, SPED
Jennifer Christner
Seth Crissman
Lauren Derstine
Substitute teaching
Alyssa Derstine
Substitute for Rockingham County
Kristen Green
Ellie Hampton
Verona Elementary School, K&1 reading aid
Amy Histan
Harrisonburg High School, English
Elizabeth (Kennell) Mann
Childtime Learning Center, 3yr olds
Michelle Leaman
Harrisonburg High School, Spanish/ESL
Rachel Marsh
Hank Mast
Andrew Meade
Michelle Moore
Kimberly Schmucker
Waterman Elementary School, 1st grade
Rebekah Stutzman
Angela VanFossen
E.A. Gibson Middle School, Art
Regina Wenger
Amanda Yoder
Hide-n-Seek Christian Daycare & Preschool
Mitchell Yoder
Keister Elementary School, 3rd grade
Rebecca Yoder
MVS at Hopi Mission School (AZ)

TaskStream

As an education student, you will be creating an electronic portfolio that you will submit for admission to teacher education and during the student teaching semester. The portfolio, in its broadest sense, is a developmental history of a student's journey toward teacher certification. The department annually updates the Teacher Education and Student Teaching portfolio requirements (as listed on BlackBoard) that are to be submitted via TaskStream.

TEACHER EDUCATION APPLICANT INTERVIEWS

Tuesday, February 22, 2010
Between 4:00-7:00 p.m.
More information to come!!

Who are the Education Faculty and what did they do this summer?

Sandy Brownscombe – spent the summer reading and revising her fall and spring courses while at a lake house in Massachusetts with friends, and attended the ATE Summer Conference in Kansas City, MO. She teaches Exploring Teaching and Physical Education classes. As Field Placement Coordinator, Sandy is the one to talk to if you have questions about student teaching or other placements.

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Cathy Smeltzer Erb - taught MA in Ed courses, wrote an article for publication, and enjoyed vacationing with her husband and three children, all of whom are at EMU this year! Cathy is Chair of Undergraduate Teacher Education and teaches Exploring Teaching and General Methods. She eagerly anticipates a sabbatical in spring semester.

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Toni Flanagan - taught an MA in Ed course at the Lancaster campus and spent time at Emerald Isle, NC with her entire family: 2 married sons, their wives, and 4 grandbabies who flew in from Montana. Toni will be teaching LMA, Curriculum Block, and Special Methods.

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Tracy Hough - is the Early Childhood Education Coordinator and Literacy Block Instructor. She is continuing her doctoral studies at UVA. This summer Tracy taught an MA in Ed three week reading clinic, and took a Statistics class.

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Lori Leaman - is Coordinator of Special Education. She teaches Needs of Diverse Learners, Special Education courses and supervises student teachers. She had the privilege of driving to Colorado with her husband and children, to reconnect with faculty who taught with them in Kenya and to visit family in the Rockies.

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Maureen Gallon – spent time in Louisiana visiting family and friends and spent the rest of the summer enjoying time with her husband and kids at home. She also provided training to several Childcare programs on Early Literacy and took refresher training on rating and evaluating infant and toddler programs. Maureen teaches a number of education courses and supervises student teachers.

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Don Steiner - is Director of the Master of Arts in Education programs in both Harrisonburg and Lancaster, PA. This summer, Don taught MA in Education classes and took time to be with family and grandchildren at a lakeside resort.

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Adjunct Professors

Jenny Martin - is the Praxis I Coordinator, teaches English Methods and supervises student teachers. Her office hours are 6:30-8:00 p.m. on Monday evenings.

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Tom Long - teaches History/Social Studies Methods and supervises student teachers.

Dianne Koontz-Lowman - teaches two special education courses: Supporting Positive Classroom Behavior, and Assistive Technology.

Stephanie Danker - teaches Computers in Ed and supervises student teachers.

University Consultants

Sandy Whetzel, Fred Kennon, and Patty Stuhlmiller will be supervising student teachers this year.

Office Staff

Sara Halteman - spent time visiting family and friends in Indiana and Ohio and preparing for the birth of her 2nd child in October. As the Administrative Assistant, Sara will be able to help you with all the details of program completion and licensure. During Sara's maternity leave, **Yvonne Martin** and **Beth Brunk** will share the role of administrative assistant.

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Yvonne Martin - works part-time with the MA in Education program. Yvonne spent the summer watching baseball games, bicycling, and going on an Alaskan cruise. She also kept busy planning and organizing the MA in Ed courses that were held over the summer.

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IMPORTANT TESTING INFORMATION

The Virginia Department of Education requires multiple standardized tests for licensure. For admission to Teacher Education you must submit passing scores on the basic skills assessment (Praxis I, VCLA & Praxis I math, or SAT/ACT). For more information on testing and admission requirements see the Education Department home page: www.emu.edu/education

Remember that you must meet the basic skills assessment in order to be admitted to Teacher Education which is a prerequisite for registering for Literacy Block, Special Methods, or PE Block

Virginia Communication & Literacy Assessment (VCLA)

As of January 2007, the VCLA has become a licensure requirement of the Virginia Department of Education. **For all teacher education candidates**, passing scores on the VCLA is required for admission into the program. More information at: www.va.nesinc.com.

Virginia Reading Assessment (VRA)

The VRA is a graduation requirement for teacher education candidates who are specializing in **Elementary Education: PreK-3, PreK-6, and Special Education PreK-12**. It is recommended that students take this test while in Literacy Block, but it must be completed prior to student teaching semester. More information at: www.va.nesinc.com.

Praxis II

Praxis II Subject Assessments measure specific subject area content knowledge. Praxis II is a graduation requirement **for all teacher education candidates** and must be taken prior to the student teaching semester.