Think with Clarity.
Act with Integrity.
Serve with Purpose.
Dream with Confidence...

AT SOUTHERN NAZARENE UNIVERSITY, WE DON'T JUST BELIEVE IN YOUR DREAMS. WE EQUIP YOU WITH THE BEST EDUCATION WHICH GIVES YOU THE CONFIDENCE TO MAKE YOUR DREAMS A REALITY.

We know you are selecting a college for more than just its location or school colors. You want to go somewhere that will prepare you for the future. Your future.

At Southern Nazarene University, we want that for you too. That is why we work hard to make sure our degrees are supported by some of the top curriculum available.

We hire highly-qualified faculty who not only know the ins and outs of the profession you seek, but who truly wish to see you succeed individually. We make sure you leave SNU prepared to meet the challenge of today's classroom. That's why we can encourage you to not just dream, but to dream with confidence.

WITH UNIQUE PROGRAMS
As an Elementary Education Major at SNU, you will be immersed in multiple kinds of experiences qualifying you for a diverse range of teaching opportunities. This ensures that you will have a broad knowledge base and strong experiences making you an excellent teaching candidate upon graduation. Unique and early field experience. Hands-on practicum. State of the art technology.

Technology drives education. So at SNU we utilize state of the art technology in all classrooms. That's right, you will use technology in every course you take. And not just technology, but the latest integrated, cutting-edge technology, allowing you to learn how to integrate technology into your own classroom.

WITH UNIQUE OPPORTUNITIES
At SNU we know your education needs to extend beyond the classroom. That's why we work hard to provide unique experiences that will enhance your learning and prepare you for your career.

SNU features practicums starting your Freshman year, which gets you real world experience from that very beginning. You will teach two Junior Achievement units in an urban setting and will experience two different student teacher settings. You will also participate in three semesters of our tutoring program where you can work with local elementary students needing special attention in curriculum and classroom training. This program gives you excellent practical and real-world experience.

Or consider working with School for Children—the only university state-accredited private laboratory school in Oklahoma. In this pre-K through 6 grade school, you will have the opportunity to observe teachers and students starting in your first semester. Try to find field experience that early!
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WITH HIGHLY-QUALIFIED PROFESSORS
When you begin at SNU, you will be advised by a SNU faculty mentor who will follow you all the way through the program and into the field. Every faculty member in the education department at SNU has private or public school experience. Experience that will benefit you as you work to begin a career of your own.

WITH PREPARATION FOR GREAT JOBS AFTER GRADUATION
Every spring the SNU education department is flooded with phone calls from schools looking for SNU graduates to fill their education needs. Public schools. Private schools. SNU education graduates are known to be top-drawer educators.

Educators like Gabby Behrens who double majored in Elementary Education and Sociology at SNU currently teach 2nd Grade teacher at Rhoades Elementary in Broken Arrow, OK.

“I am where I am today because of SNU through the professors who supported me when I felt called to become a teacher,” says Behrens who hopes to one day complete her masters, doctorate and become a professor herself. “I added elementary education as my second major my junior year of college and they made it possible for me to be successful in what I do now. Dr. DeVries helped me through every step, even driving to Broken Arrow, after I got married, to observe me student teaching my last semester before I graduated. She gave me, along with the other professors in the education department, the tools that I use on a daily basis.”

Behrens says both of her majors play a part in her day-to-day classroom, “sociology and education go hand in hand with working with kids. The education side taught me how to teach my students in a way that they are excited to learn and the tools to make them successful, and my sociology taught me how to better relate to people and help understand what it is like to be in someone else’s shoes.”

Behrens and her husband recently bought a house in Broken Arrow. They are busy staying involved in their church, where her husband is a youth and children’s minister, and taking care of their new dog.

If a dream is a blueprint of a goal not yet achieved, at SNU we partner with you to focus your efforts to attain whatever it is you hope to accomplish. Thus, we say DREAM WITH CONFIDENCE.