Certificate of Proficiency (COP)

Paraeducator

This certificate prepares graduates for entry-level employment with school districts. Graduates acquire skills needed to become an important member of the instructional team, learning instructional strategies, behavior management, human development and interpersonal skills in the context of a diverse society. The program includes hands-on experiences in schools. This program will help open doors to a rewarding career as a paraeducator.

Certificate Requirements

- Communications:
 - 5 credits ENGL& 101 English Composition I
- Quantitative Skills:
 - 5 credits -MATH& 132 Math for Elementary Educators 2
- Human Relations/ Social Science:
 - 5 credits EDUC& 115 Child Development

Program Requirements

EDUC& 101	Paraeducator Basics	3
MATH& 131	Math for Elementary Educators I	5
EDUC 191	Field Experience I	5
EDUC& 204	Inclusive Education-Birth through 21 focus	5
EDUC& 205	Intro to Education w/Field Experience: DIV	5
EDUC 246	Linguistically Diverse Education	3
EDUC 240	Diversity in Education	5

Diversity and Distribution Lists (lowercolumbia.edu/publications/catalog/distribution-lists) are available in the Lower Columbia College Catalog located at lowercolumbia.edu/catalog.

Total credits required to earn this degree: 46

Students completing this program should acquire the following skills and abilities:

• Demonstrate appropriate strategies and techniques to provide instructional support to students of diverse populations.

- Assist licensed/certified staff with student instruction, behavior management and classroom preparation.
- Apply best practices in classroom management to optimize the potential for student learning.
- Practice ethical and legal standards of conduct.
- Demonstrate competence in written and oral communication, reading, and mathematics.

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Notes:

Program planning is based on information available at the time of preparation. It is the student's responsibility to meet with their LCC advisor. Consult the LCC catalog for LCC graduation requirements.