Winona State University-Rochester (WSU) and Public School Districts in Southeastern Minnesota are joint participants in a Teacher Preparation Collaborative (TPC) at the secondary level. The program is currently designed to provide individuals who hold a bachelor’s degree in an appropriate content area with an opportunity to complete a middle school and/or high school licensure in one of the following categories:

- Business (grades 5-12)
- Communication Arts & Literature (grades 5-12)
- Mathematics (grades 5-12)
- Social Studies (grades 5-12)
- Chemistry (grades 9-12)*
- Earth Science (grades 9-12)*
- Life Science (grades 9-12)*
- Physics (grades 9-12)*
- Sciences Specialty (grades 5-8)

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Applicants selected to participate in this program will be required to complete a year-long, full-time internship under the supervision of a licensed teacher in Rochester Public Schools or other area public schools. The internship will follow a summer of intensive pedagogical coursework and will include coursework after school hours throughout the academic year.

The Teacher Preparation Collaborative is enhanced by the selection of master teachers in Rochester Public Schools and other area public schools to be intern coaches. Each supervisor coaches interns in the content area and pedagogy during the year-long internship. Responsibilities of intern coaches include demonstration teaching, observation, and instructional feedback.

Requirements for applicants include the following:

1. Hold a bachelor’s degree in an appropriate field from a regionally accredited institution.
2. Have an overall GPA of 2.75 along with a GPA of 3.0 in major for licensure area.
3. Provide by March 1st:
   - completed application form
   - official transcript(s)
   - letter of application
   - a resume
   - two TPC recommendation forms
   - evidence of successful completion of the Praxis I (PPST) test and Praxis II content test
4. After initial review, and upon request, submit an application to WSU and pay an application fee.
5. Participate in a finalist interview and selection process by WSU/District Committee.
6. Be available for Summer Sessions I and II, the year-long practicum and fall and spring evening coursework.
Summer term:
- ED 623 Foundations of Education .......................................................................3 credits
- ED 640 Current Issues in Education..................................................................3 credits
- ED 675 Action Research and Assessment of Student Learning .......................3 credits
- ED 618 Field Experience in Classroom (Action Research Paper).....................2 credits
- Graduate credits in content area.......................................................................6 credits

Fall term:
- Education 600: Improvement of Instruction and Curriculum Planning (3 credits)
- Education 605: Adolescent Development, Learning and Assessment (5 credits including field experience)
- Education 608: The Diverse Learner (4 credits including field experience)
- Education 529: Secondary Reading and Teaching Strategies (4 credits including field experience)
- Education 650: Teacher Induction and Curriculum Orientation (3 credits)
- Education 651: Induction Practicum (4 credits)

Spring term:
- Education 559: Professional Educator (3 credits)
- Education 651: Induction Practicum (4 credits)

Total credits for licensure program...........................................................................30 credits

*This schedule of coursework is subject to change by WSU-Rochester.

Students who complete the licensure program have the option of completing a Master of Science in Education Degree with an additional 17 credits.

- ED 623 Foundations of Education.......................................................................3 credits
- ED 640 Current Issues in Education....................................................................3 credits
- ED 675 Action Research and Assessment of Student Learning .......................3 credits
- ED 618 Field Experience in Classroom (Action Research Paper).....................2 credits
- Graduate credits in content area.......................................................................6 credits

Total credits required for Master’s option...............................................................17 credits
Total Credits for combined licensure and master’s option...................................47 credits

Any questions, please contact the Teacher Preparation Collaborative at RochesterTPC@winona.edu