



BACHELOR OF EDUCATIONAL STUDIES PROGRAM OVERVIEW



What is BES?

The Bachelor of Educational Studies (BES) Program offered by College of Education at the University of Missouri – St. Louis is a distinctive program for students excited about education, but looking for challenges outside the traditional classroom.

Flexibility is built into the program, allowing students to focus on one of the emphasis areas:

- (1) Early childhood;
- (2) Youth and adult development;
- (3) Park and museum program;
- (4) Exercise science and wellness.

Coursework is built around students' interests with a unique mix of education, management and selected content:

- One-third of educational courses;
- One-third of management-related courses;
- One-third of selected content (emphasis area).

Upon graduating with a Bachelor of Educational Studies degree a student will have earned:

- ✓ A minimum of 122 credit hours, with 42 hours of general educational courses;
- ✓ A successful completion of career-related internships that can lead to a permanent job.

Why BES?

Many institutions emphasize informal learning and offer a variety of settings for teaching to people of all ages. Employers at these institutions are eager to hire people who have training and relevant experience in education, management, and technology. Responding to this need, UMSL's College of Education has designed the Bachelor of Educational Studies Program - a creative, flexible and interdisciplinary degree that emphasizes practical skills in multiple settings. The BES degree is open to any student interested in a non-certification education degree.

Variety of settings for learning and applying practical skills

BES prepares students for a career as an educator in a variety of agencies, such as, science and history museums, child care and after-school programs, educational programs at parks or camps, wildlife field stations, and agencies providing various services to children and adults.

Wherever education happens outside the classroom, BES graduates are prepared to be skilled and confident leaders and innovators!

A program tailored to your career aspirations

UMSL has relationships with institutions, which are interested in employees with skills acquired through the BES program. In-depth internship opportunities with selected agencies offer BES students authentic work experiences, an opportunity to put their coursework into practice, as well as a possibility of network building for future employment.

In order to enroll in the program a student should:

- Complete an online application;
- Transfer with a GPA of 2.0 or higher.

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