



## Career Development Center [www.sju.edu/careers](http://www.sju.edu/careers)

### EDUCATION COLLEGE OF PROFESSIONAL AND LIBERAL STUDIES

Educators shape future generations each day. Once field experiences have been completed, student teaching allows majors to take all they've learned in the classroom and apply it to classrooms in the region. Saint Joseph's program delves into the many psychological, emotional and mental developments that contribute to the learning process, equipping graduates with the insights needed to make the greatest impact in the classroom.

#### **LEARN MORE ABOUT THE EDUCATION MAJOR:**

- Visit the Education department website here: <http://www.sju.edu/majors-programs/adult-learner/bachelor-degrees/education>
- Contact the College of Professional and Liberal Studies (CPLS) for information about academic advising <http://www.sju.edu/int/academics/pls/advising/index.html>
- Call CPLS 610-660-1267 to schedule a meeting with a faculty member
- Speak with current students in the major
- Contact Adult Student Life at 610-660-1074 for general questions
- Schedule an appointment with the Career Development Center (610-660-3100)

#### **WHAT CAN I DO WITH A MAJOR IN EDUCATION?**

Whatever you put your mind to. You can learn much more at [www.onetonline.org](http://www.onetonline.org). Following are descriptions of just a few of the careers you might pursue:

**Distance Learning Coordinators:** Coordinate day-to-day operations of distance learning programs and schedule courses.

**Education Administrators, Preschool and Childcare Center/Program:** Plan, direct, or coordinate the academic and nonacademic activities of preschool and childcare centers or programs.

**Elementary School Teachers, Except Special Education:** Teach students basic academic, social, and other formative skills in public or private schools at the elementary level.

**Special Education Teachers, Kindergarten and Elementary School:** Teach elementary school subjects to educationally and physically handicapped students. Includes teachers who specialize and work with audibly and visually handicapped students and those who teach basic academic and life processes skills to the mentally impaired.

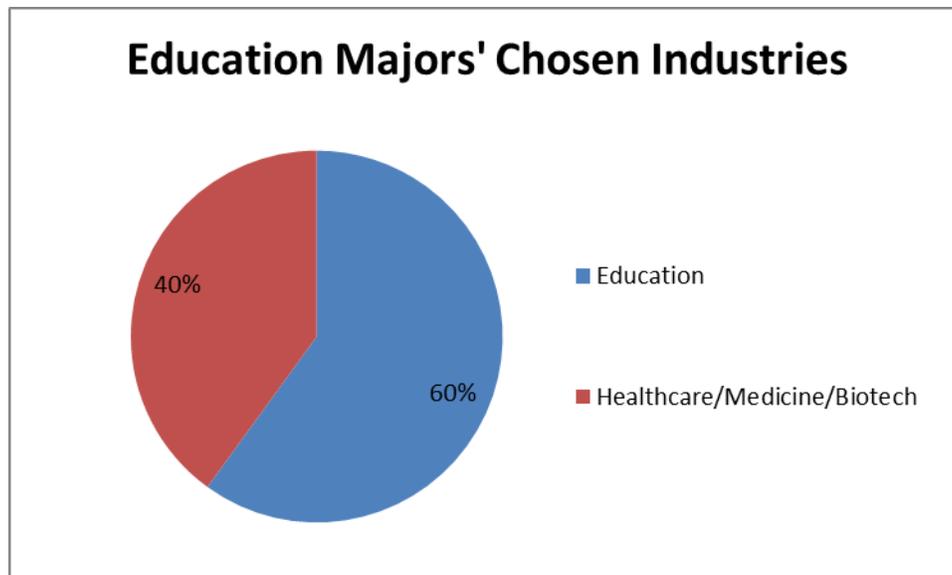
#### **HOW CAN I ENGAGE MY INTEREST IN EDUCATION OUTSIDE THE CLASSROOM?**

There are so many opportunities to get involved— and to develop experience in your major while doing so! Here are just a few:

Council for Exceptional Children  
Best Buddies  
Community Day  
Hand in Hand

American Federation of Teachers  
National Education Association  
Pennsylvania State Education Association  
American Education Research Association

**A CLOSER LOOK AT GRADUATES WITH DEGREES IN EDUCATION:**



**HERE'S A SAMPLING OF POSITIONS OUR GRADUATES HAVE ACCEPTED:**

Administrative Assistant  
Emotional Support Teacher  
Fourth Grade Teacher  
Teacher

HS Special Education Teacher  
Kindergarten Teacher/Camp  
Counselor

MS Special Education Teacher  
Inclusion Teacher

**ORGANIZATIONS THAT HIRE OUR GRADUATES INCLUDE:**

Clearview Regional High School  
Children's Hospital of Philadelphia  
Knowledge Learning Centers  
New Foundation Charter School

Cooper University Hospital  
J.F. Cooper Elementary School  
Pine Hill Middle School  
School District of Philadelphia

Washington Twp. Board of Ed.

**AVERAGE TOTAL SALARY – EDUCATION MAJORS – CLASSES OF 2008-2012**

# of Respondents	Average Total Salary
3	\$39,667

For more salary data visit: <http://www.jobsearchintelligence.com/NACE/salary-calculator-intro/>

**FURTHER ASSISTANCE WITH YOUR MAJOR AND CAREER OPTIONS**

The Career Development Center can help you with the process of choosing a major and exploring your career options. For assistance, please call 610-660-3100 to schedule an appointment to meet with a Career Counselor.

**GETTING THE JOB – SAMPLE EDUCATION MAJOR RESUME:**

See below.

## Susan Merion

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### **Objective:**

To obtain a teaching position where I can utilize my creativity, experience, and organizational skills to develop a positive, caring, and productive classroom community that will allow for student success.

### **Education:**

Saint Joseph's University, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania May 2013

**Bachelor of Science- Elementary/Special Education**

**GPA: 3.90 (cumulative)**

Camden County College, Blackwood, NJ May 2011

Program of study: Elementary/Special Education

**GPA: 3.5**

Academy of Culinary Arts, Mays Landing, NJ June 1985

**Associates in Applied Science- Culinary Arts**

### **Teaching Experience:**

6<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> grade Special Education (Multiple Disabled), Hill Middle School, Sewell, NJ

Student Teaching March 2013-May 2013

- Worked cooperatively with classroom teacher and related service providers.
- Planned and implemented lessons for Language Arts Literacy, Science, Social Studies, Mathematics, and social skills instruction to meet state standards.
- Differentiated instruction in all subjects to meet student's needs.
- Created and implemented Positive Behavior Support Plans.
- Completed a Functional Behavior Assessment.
- Created a variety of formative and summative assessments for all subjects.
- Participated in writing of Individual Education Plans (IEP) and attended meetings.

Washington Township Public Schools, Sewell, NJ

Student Teaching January 2013-March 2013

5<sup>th</sup> grade Elementary Education, Woods Elementary School

- Worked cooperatively with classroom teacher in an authentic fifth grade classroom.
- Planned and implemented lessons for Language Arts Literacy, Science, and Mathematics according to state standards.
- Differentiated instruction to meet students' needs.
- Created and implemented Positive Behavior Support Plans.
- Created a variety of assessments for all subjects.
- Participated in writing of Individual Education Plans (IEP) and attended meetings.

**HMS School for Children with Cerebral Palsy, Philadelphia, PA**

Observation placement September 2012-December 2012

- Used assistive technology for communication, observed various teaching strategies, assisted with instruction and recreational therapies.

**Professional Experience**

**Special Education Paraprofessional-** Woolwich Township Public Schools, Swedes, NJ  
1999-Present

Multiply Disabled Classroom Assistant 2009-present

- Assist the teacher to implement lesson plans, teach life skills, follow IEP positive support plans, reinforce academic and social skills, create and implement crafts and holiday events.

One to One Assistant 2003-2008

- Aided an autistic student with his daily educational and social goals, implemented a behavior plan to keep student on task, encouraged verbal conversations, monitored his progress, and communicated daily with parents.

Resource Assistant 2001-2002

- Assisted the special education teacher, reinforced lessons, small group instruction, help create lesson plans, and organized crafts and hands on activities.

Cafeteria Assistant 1999-2000

- Aided students during lunch, organized outside and inside recess activities.

**Community Service**

- Volunteer CCD instructor- 2001-2005  
Our Lady of Souls, Turnersville, NJ
- Coaching Assistant- softball

**Special Skills, Training and Certifications:**

- CPR certified
- Smart Board trained
- Autism workshop Diplomas
- Paraprofessional workshop Diploma
- Microsoft Word

**Academic Awards:**

Saint Joseph's University Dean's list 2012-present  
Saint Joseph's University Merit Scholarship 2011-present  
Kappa Delta Pi Honor Society 2008-present  
Dean's list Camden County College 2007-present