Delta State University College of Education

Online Educational Specialist Degree in Elementary Education

Delta State University will offer a totally online Ed.S. in Elementary Education, beginning in the Spring 2009 semester. Students may enter the program any semester – Fall, Spring, or Summer. Each semester, we will accept 25 students into the program. The spring 2009 application deadline is December 29, 2008. Your first step is to apply for admission to the Delta State graduate program. You may apply online (www.deltastate.edu).

Below is a typical program of studies, which may be revised based on the needs and interests of the teacher candidate. Note that the courses with an asterisk are required.

- CEL 705 Practicum in Early Childhood Education (K-3) (6 credit hours) *
- CEL 706 Practicum in Upper Elementary Middle School (4-8) (6 credit hours) *
- Two courses focusing on the education of students with disabilities in inclusive elementary and middle school settings (3 credit hours each)
- One course focusing on using effective school counseling services in the elementary and middle school classroom (3 credit hours)
- One course focusing on instructional leadership (3 credit hours)
- CUR 701 Philosophy of Education (3 credit hours) *
- One course focusing on educational research design for elementary and middle school teachers (3 credit hours) *

For the Spring 2009 semester we will be teaching CEL 706.

Both in-state and out-of-state online students pay in-state tuition. The tuition for spring is \$247 per hour.

The admission requirements are as follows:

- *Holds a master's degree with an earned overall GPA of at least 3.25 on the planned program of study from an institution fully accredited by one of the recognized accrediting agencies.
- *Holds a valid AA teaching license.
- Satisfactory writing proficiency score on <u>one</u> of the following:
 - 1. CAAP minimum score of 3
 - 2. GRE Verbal minimum score of 370
 - 3. MAT minimum score of 30
 - 4. Praxis I Writing (PPST) minimum score of 174
 - 5. Praxis I Writing (CBT) minimum score of 320
 - 6. NTE (Communication Skills) minimum score of 653
- Has graduate credit for EPY 601, CEL 610, CEL 611, CRD 624, or equivalent.

- Has satisfactory writing proficiency score.
- Has passing score on PRAXIS II, Elementary Education: Curriculum, Instruction, & Assessment (K-5), or Elementary Education: Curriculum, Instruction, & Assessment (4-8); or passing score on test in Elementary Education approved by Mississippi State Department of Education.

*Applicant must submit this evidence before provisional or full admission is granted. All other requirements must be met within the first 12 hours of course work.

You may also want to access our graduate catalog at the Delta State website – Academics – Academic Catalogs.

Scholarship information is available from each of the following:

- Mississippi State Department of Education 601-359-3513
- Graduate Studies Office (Graduate Assistantship) http://www.deltastate.edu/pages/879.asp
- Workforce Investment Act (WIA) www.wininmississippi.org/

Information on financial aid is available at 662-846-4670 or by emailing the director, Ann Margaret Mullins (<u>amullins@deltastate.edu</u>).

If you have further questions, contact Dr. Corlis Snow (<u>csnow@deltastate.edu</u>) via email or by phone at 662-846-4370.