

**THE PENNSYLVANIA STATE UNIVERSITY
COLLEGE OF EDUCATION
PROGRAM OF WORKFORCE EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT
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Certification for Cooperative Education Instructor

The prerequisite requirements for obtaining certification as a Cooperative Education Instructor at The Pennsylvania State University are as follow:

I. Non-Instructional Background* (earning an Instructional I certificate in co-op)

- A. Verify graduation from baccalaureate degree program
- B. Complete the following courses:

WF ED 001	3 cr.	WF ED 413	3 cr.	ECON 014	3 cr.
WF ED 105	3 cr.	WF ED 441	2 cr.	EDPSY 014	3 cr.
WF ED 207W	3 cr.	WF ED 442	2 cr.	EDTHP 115	3 cr.
WF ED 323	3 cr.	WF ED 445	3 cr.	WF ED 595C	10 cr.
- C. Course substitutions must be approved by WF ED certification coordinator
- D. Verify 4,000 hours of wage earning work experience outside of education
- E. Complete PRAXIS examinations: PPST in reading, writing, and math; Principles of Learning and Teaching 7-12; Cooperative Education specialty test

II. Instructional Background* (co-op added to existing instructional certificate)

- A. Complete the following courses:

WF ED 001	Education for Work 3 cr., or WFED 546 Work-Based Education 3 cr., or WFED 560 Historical and Philosophical Foundations 3 cr.
WF ED 207W	Assessment Techniques 3 cr., or WFED 573 Needs Assessment 3 cr., or an approved substitution
WF ED 445	Vocational Guidance 3 cr., or an approved substitution
WF ED 441	Conceptual and Legal Basis for Cooperative Education 2 cr.
WF ED 442	Operating Cooperative Education Programs 2 cr.
WF ED 495A	Cooperative Education Practicum 2 cr.
- B. Course substitutions must be approved by WF ED certification coordinator
- C. Verify 4,000 hours of wage earning work experience outside of education
- D. Complete the PRAXIS II Cooperative Education specialty test

III. Vocational Instructional Background* (co-op added to existing vocational certificate)

- A. Complete the following courses

WF ED 445	Vocational Guidance 3 cr., or an approved substitution
WF ED 441	Conceptual and Legal Basis for Cooperative Education 2 cr.
WF ED 442	Operating Cooperative Education Programs 2 cr.
WF ED 495A	Cooperative Education Practicum 2 cr.
- B. Course substitutions must be approved by WF ED certification coordinator
- C. Verify 4,000 hours of wage earning work experience outside of education
- D. Complete the PRAXIS II Cooperative Education specialty test

***Must fulfill the College of Education's pre-certification Special Education requirement through completion of SPLED 400, or WFED 413, or an equivalent.**