Education

Typical Career Fields:

K-12 (projected growth 3% - 7%)
- Teaching
- Pre-school
- Elementary
- Middle
- Secondary

Administration (projected growth 3% - 7%)
- Principalship
- Superintendency

Higher Education (projected growth 8% - 14%)
- Teaching
- Administration
- Student Affairs
- Information/Library Services

☀️ = Bright Outlook  Source: O*NET

Top Ten Career Fields Chosen by ESU Education Grads: (Source: Linkedin)

Where Our Grads Go (top ten):
- Olathe School District
- Shawnee Mission School District
- Blue Valley School District
- Kansas State University
- University of Kansas
- Wichita Public Schools
- Butler Community College
- Topeka Public Schools
- Flint Hills Technical College
- Sprint

View a list of required courses for this major at http://www.emporia.edu/sac/list-of-majors.html.
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Education Majors
Strategies on how to become more marketable at graduation

K – 12 (Teaching, Administration, Special Services)
- **Definitions of Special Services:** (Reading, Title 1, Guidance Counseling, School Psychology, School Social Work, Occupational and Physical Therapy, Audiology and Speech Pathology, Library Services, Special Education, English as a Second Language, Curriculum Supervision, Subject Area Supervision)
- Obtain teaching certificate/license for desired subject area and/or grade level. Requirements for certification/licensure vary by state.
- Obtain multiple certifications to increase employability.
- Private schools may not require certification or licensure. Obtain master’s degree in subject area for increased employability.
- Get involved in student teacher organizations.
- Acquire teaching experience. Obtain Ph.D. and certificate in school administration.
- Graduate study required for “special service” fields. Obtain master’s degree in area to become specialist. Requirements for certification and/or accreditation vary by state.

Higher Education
- Earn Ph.D. to teach and research at four-year institutions. Master’s or Ph.D. degree is required to teach at two-year schools.
- Earn a Ph.D. in higher education administration for upper level positions in university administration.
- Earn master’s degree in student personnel, student development, or counseling for student affairs positions.
- Obtain master’s degree in library/information sciences.
- Gain related experience through student positions such as Resident Assistants, Orientation Leaders, etc.
- Seek leadership roles in campus organizations.

- Take some general business and computer courses.
- Earn a graduate degree in human resource development.
- Gain experience in organizational development or marketing.
- Become current with business and industry literature and news.
- Develop strong word processing, editing, and desktop publishing skills.

General Information and Strategies
- Demonstrate enthusiasm and energy for the field.
- Obtain part-time, summer, internship, or volunteer experience with the age group you intend to work with in various settings: pre-schools, daycares, camps, community agencies, etc.
- Participate in co-curricular activities and related organizations to broaden skills, interests, and opportunities.
- Bachelor’s degree is sufficient for certification/licensure to teach K-12 in most states. Obtain a master’s degree for advancement and increased earning potential.
- Advanced degree required for specialists, education administration, college teaching and other professional positions.
- Maintain current knowledge of state and national legislation regarding teacher licensure.