

TEACHER LICENSURE PROGRAM (TLP)

An accelerated, flexible, fully online program
training highly-qualified teachers

LICENSURE AREAS

MIDDLE GRADES, 5-8

- English
- History / Social Science
- Mathematics
- Science

SECONDARY GRADES, 9-12

- English
- History / Social Science
- Mathematics
- Biology

ADDITIONAL CONTENT AREAS

- Early Childhood Education
- Elementary Education
- Physical Education
- Spanish / Bilingual Education
- Special Education

THE BLACKBURN ADVANTAGE

Robust Online Program

- Comprehensive focus on reading and writing in content areas, with experts preparing you to lead your own classroom

Mentoring & Personal Attention

- Faculty teach live online and offer direct support, a community is available to help prepare you for success

Accelerated & Accessible

- Fully online and three semesters, you can be ready to transform student lives in the classroom full-time

Special Education

- Blackburn is the only institution to offer an accelerated Special Education pathway

Financial Aid

- A partner with Golden Apple Accelerator program
- May be PELL Grant eligible, must submit FAFSA to determine eligibility

CHANGE LIVES IN JUST 3 SEMESTERS

Blackburn College is meeting the teacher shortage crisis in Illinois by accelerating the training and mentoring of highly qualified educators for areas most in need. In just 12 months, you can learn with our tremendous Teacher Education Department, gain hands-on experience in the classroom, and officially enter the classroom by Fall 2026. Students deserve excellent teachers, and you deserve the best preparation available. Help change lives and make a difference in your community with Blackburn.



“I would DEFINITELY recommend the TLP. It was seamless--there was a lot of work involved, but it was definitely achievable while working at the same time. I always knew my TLP class schedule, what assignments were due when, what to do in case of an absence, and I felt supported to succeed. I am so grateful that this program is an option for those with undergraduate degrees who want to get into teaching--I would not have chosen this career change if more classwork had been involved.”

SIRI ENGSTROM
TLP CERTIFICATE SPRING 2024

ADMISSIONS REQUIREMENTS

Blackburn accepts applications for the following candidates:

- Candidates accepted as Golden Apple Accelerators
- Candidates who will be employed at a school during the upcoming school year in any of the listed content areas

Other requirements include:

- Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university
- Minimum undergraduate GPA of 2.5 (4.0 scale), students with advanced degrees from accredited institutions are excused from this requirement
- Evaluation of content coursework in official transcripts

TUITION

\$5,600 per semester—no hidden fees, unexpected increases, or testing requirements!

Next cohort begins June 2025!

96%
[**TLP CANDIDATES
SUCCESSFULLY BECAME
LICENSED EDUCATORS**]

More Early Childhood Options

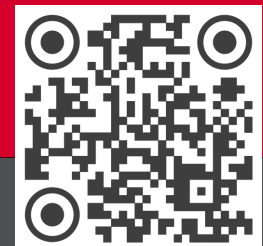
For more ways of boosting your early childhood career, you can discover the pathways available at blackburn.edu/eceonline

QUESTIONS?

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