

Azusa Pacific University's School of Education

Preparing Educators to Cultivate Potential in Every Student

The School of Education at Azusa Pacific University stands as a trusted leader in the field, known for producing many of Southern California's finest professionals—classroom teachers, school counselors and psychologists, and administrators. Through APU's programs offered at the Orange County Regional Campus, candidates build a strong foundation of ethics, compassion, and competency with relevant coursework taught from a Christian worldview. Join a community of education leaders ready to make a difference.



Division of Teacher Education

Elementary Education
Learning and Technology
Secondary Education
Special Education
Teaching

Department of School Counseling and School Psychology

Licensed Professional Clinical
Counselor (LPCC)
School Counseling
School Psychology

Department of Educational Leadership

Educational Leadership
Preliminary Administrative Services
Clear Administrative Services

Orange County Regional Campus



School of Education Departments

Teacher Education

Combined master's degree and credential programs provide a comprehensive educational package taught by faculty with expertise as practitioners and researchers. Candidates gain the training and experience needed to qualify for California's multiple subject, single subject, and special education teaching credentials.

Highlights

- Clinical experiences comprise a significant portion of all teacher preparation programs, as candidates apply teaching methods directly to the classroom.
- Classes explore contemporary issues in education as they occur, enabling educators to remain at the forefront of knowledge.
- Graduates use technology to support instruction, creating innovative and engaging learning experiences for students.

APU is the

6th

largest
recommender
of teaching
credentials
in California

Source: California Commission on Teacher Credentialing, Teacher Supply in California, 2014-15

School Counseling and School Psychology

Recognizing the advantage of a master's or specialist degree for those in the field, APU offers a streamlined pathway to these advanced degrees with embedded credential requirements. Notable accreditation by the CTC, NASP, NCATE (transitioning to CAEP), and WSCUC means candidates receive practical training of the highest standard.

Highlights

- Azusa Pacific graduates know how to empower students to deal with life situations, change behavior, and make decisions for personal and academic growth.
- Specialized coursework in Applied Behavior Analysis, Clinical and Educationally Related Mental Health Counseling, and Licensed Professional Clinical Counseling preparation places candidates on the cutting edge of advancements in mental health.
- Graduates are equipped to meet the increasing demand for professionals adept at addressing learning disabilities, special needs, and behavioral issues.

Azusa Pacific is

1 of 4

faith-based California
universities with
NASP approval

Source: National Association of School Psychology

Educational Leadership

Master's degree and administrative credential programs prepare effective, innovative leaders who are well-equipped to fulfill roles as principals, assistant principals, curriculum specialists, and district leaders. At the Azusa campus, the department also offers a three-year Ed.D. in Educational Leadership with embedded dissertation process, enabling candidates to transform schools and districts.

Highlights

- Adding depth and relevance to APU's community of educators, current superintendents partner with faculty researchers to prepare 21st century educational leaders.
- Candidates learn qualitative and quantitative inquiry methods, gaining the insight needed to analyze and produce research that drives results.
- Faculty provide comprehensive support and mentorship throughout each program and integrate a Christ-centered perspective into professional practice.

We actively engage with

150+

school districts

Source: School of Education,
Office of Student Placements



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