EDUCATION

The School of Education offers programs that prepare individuals to lead in a wide array of educational settings, including teaching in K–12 classrooms, conducting educational research, developing evidence-informed policy and designing innovative learning environments both in schools and in community-based settings.

Graduate programs in the School of Education serve practicing teachers, higher education professionals, as well as those seeking to improve education through rigorous research and evidence-informed policy and practice. The School of Education's doctoral program is a cohort-based, full-time program that prepares individuals to lead in universities, research or policy institutes, state or government agencies and innovative non-profit organizations.

Mission

Our mission in the School of Education is grounded in a lived commitment to democracy, diversity, equity and justice. We teach and conduct research to make a positive difference with and in schools and communities. The work of our faculty, researchers, staff and students leads to evidence-based policy and practice. We aim for our graduates to be engaged and informed educators, researchers, policymakers and community leaders.

Licensure

The School of Education is authorized by the Colorado Department of Education and the Colorado Department of Higher Education to offer teacher preparation programs.

Because each state has its own laws and standards regarding teacher preparation, our teacher education programs do not prepare candidates for licensure in states other than Colorado. It is strongly recommended that students planning to seek professional licensure or certification in a state other than Colorado contact the appropriate licensing entity (https://www.colorado.edu/education/out-state-licensing-or-reciprocity-co-licensure-other-states/) in that state to seek information and guidance regarding licensure or certification requirements and how a degree from CU Boulder aligns with another state's requirements for licensure in advance of program completion.