



*“The program here at Adrian allows for a great deal of personalized attention, critical and in-depth discussion on the important roles and responsibilities of the American education system, and on-site professional development opportunities in both Teacher Leadership and the International Baccalaureate Programme.”*

*- Kevin Sunde, Program Student*



## ***TED Mission Statement***

The Department of Teacher Education empowers competent, caring, creative, committed educators who will demonstrate the Ribbons of Excellence by:

### **CARING FOR HUMANITY AND THE WORLD**

- Differentiate instruction
- Hold high expectations for all
- Establish a safe and nurturing learning environment
- Examine and respect multiple perspectives and ways of thinking
- Demonstrate professional ethics

### **LEARNING THROUGHOUT A LIFETIME**

- Equip students with disciplinary tools, skills, and content
- Strengthen thinking, problem solving, and teamwork skills
- Identify and apply technological solutions
- Set and pursue goals for continued growth

### **THINKING CRITICALLY**

- Support student growth
- Monitor and guide student progress through ongoing assessment
- Utilize curriculum standards, educational research, and professional resources

### **CROSSING BOUNDARIES and DISCIPLINES**

- Implement interdisciplinary approaches
- Work collaboratively

### **DEVELOPING CREATIVITY**

- Prepare and lead engaging instruction
- Creative teachers develop a myriad of strategies to engage students in learning

# Adrian College Teacher Education Post-Graduate Certification



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# Our Faculty and Staff

The Adrian College Teacher Education Department 21 credit hour post-graduate certification program will yield students an International Baccalaureate Organization (IB) Primary Years Program (PYP) Certificate in Teaching and Learning as well as a Michigan Department of Education (MDE) Teacher Leadership endorsement.

This course of study complements the Adrian College's Ribbons of Excellence (<http://adrian.edu/academics/ribbons-of-excellence/>) and is designed to introduce and cultivate research-based best practices in instructional and assessment strategies and methods. In addition, students who complete this program will embody the IB Primary Years Programme's Standards of Excellence. Finally, this sequence will improve the skills of the candidates and advance the competencies within the MDE Teacher Leadership Preparation Standards as these courses are directly aligned with the standards and are focused on the development of leadership skills.

## Year 1 Fall

Course #	Class Name	Credit
TED 571	IB- Beliefs and Values of PYP	3
TED 572	IB- The Written Curriculum	3

## Year 1 Spring

Course #	Class Name	Credit
TED 573	IB - The Taught Curriculum	3
TED 574	IB - The Assessed Curriculum	3

## Year 2 Fall

Course #	Class Name	Credit
Choose One:	TED 575, 581, 582, or 583	3
TED 576	Research in Education	3

## Year 2 Spring

Course #	Class Name	Credit
TED 577	Project/Thesis	3

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Specialization: Reading Endorsement K-12  
Education Curriculum Center Director.

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