



NEW YORK INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY

SCHOOL OF EDUCATION
AND PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Social Studies Education



Undergraduate

At a time the United States has such a prominent global role, decisions made by our country and its citizenry have the potential to impact the future of Americans and others like no period in history. At such an important juncture, it is imperative that secondary school students have the academic experiences that develop their intellectual skills, civic values, and understanding of history, politics, and other social studies needed for them to participate with satisfaction in our democracy. The Social Studies Education program at NYIT prepares teachers by providing a substantial background in American and world history, economics, philosophy, political thought, international relations, and government. In addition, the program provides a theoretical foundation in curriculum design, in methods and materials in Social Studies education, educational psychology, and strategies to help all children learn. Extensive field experiences linked to courses help candidates translate theory into practice. Candidates' teaching expertise is developed through experiences observing good teaching, then beginning to teach one-on-one, with small groups, and then with a whole class and a full semester of student teaching. The program integrates instructional technology with a broad range of teaching strategies and develops candidates' expertise using technology as a significant tool for teaching and learning Social Studies in grades 7-12.






The Social Studies Education program offers you:

- ✓ Career preparation in a valued profession that makes a difference
- ✓ Eligibility for NYS certification as a Teacher of Social Studies Education for Grades 7-12
- ✓ Opportunity to nurture children's cognitive, social, emotional and physical development
- ✓ Guided experiences that develop technological know-how and strategies
- ✓ Extensive Social Studies concentration with study in politics, American and world history, philosophy, economics, international relationships, and government
- ✓ Development as a reflective practitioner, melding learning theory with classroom practice to achieve student success
- ✓ Caring, creative learning environment with faculty committed to excellence in education



Program of Study

-  Concentration in Social Studies
-  Liberal Arts and Science Core



Educational Foundations/Professional Core

-  Educational Foundations
-  Introduction to Educational Technology
-  Curriculum and Instruction
-  Teaching, Learning and Growth
-  Serving Special Needs Students

Pedagogical Applications

-  Teaching Reading
-  Methods and Materials of Teaching Social Studies

Clinical Practice/Professional Semester

-  Supervised Student Teaching
-  Student Teaching Professional Seminar

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Admissions

- ✓ Candidates begin their Social Studies concentration in freshman year, their education course work as early as sophomore year. NYIT students: Apply for this program by the end of your freshman year.
- ✓ A GPA of at least 2.75 and effective written and oral communication skills in English are required.
- ✓ Applications for teacher education programs are reviewed throughout the year by a faculty Professional Teacher Education Committee.
- ✓ Contact the Coordinator or faculty member for further information or to request a catalog and application.
- ✓ Visit the NYIT website at www.NYIT.edu
- ✓ For a campus visit or an appointment with an advisor, call 516.686.7777