Wisconsin DPI Licenses for Educators in Gifted and Talented Education

http://www.uww.edu/coeps/departments/edfound/gt

Licenses

Gifted and Talented (014) add-ons to existing WI teaching licenses

- Only gifted and talented licensure program in Wisconsin
- Supplementary teacher license (014): see PI 34.33 (5g)
- Program Coordinator license (64-014): see PI 34.32 (7) (a) 5

Licensure Program Facts

- UW-Stevens Point and UW-Whitewater collaboration
- Most courses offered in a hybrid (mostly online) format
- Coursework for licensure-only or can embed in master's at UWW or UWSP
- 12 credits for teacher license; additional 3 for coordinator
- Combine with 18 additional credits for UWW's MSE-PD

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Program Description

<u>Purpose</u>. This program is for any licensed educator who is interested in learning more about the psychology and education of gifted and talented students, and how to identify and nurture gifts and talents in every socio-economic and cultural group. The teacher license is supplementary, and the program will address giftedness at all developmental levels.

Structure. The 12-credit program sequence begins with a foundations course, followed by psychology and curriculum courses (both are required, but they may be taken in either order), and ending with a practicum course. The program coordinator license requires an additional administration course with embedded practicum.

A typical sequence might be as follows:

Summer 1	Foundations course through UWW*
Fall Semester	Psychology course through UWW
Spring Semester	Curriculum course through UWSP
Summer 2 or arr.	Practicum course through UWSP
to be arranged	Coordinator course through UWW
	Summer 1 Fall Semester Spring Semester Summer 2 or arr.

^{*}The foundations course is also taught through UWSP each fall.

Path for Licensure Courses: Gifted Teacher and Gifted Coordinator

A cooperative program of UW-Stevens Point and UW-Whitewater

Core courses for both licenses

- Foundations of Gifted and Talented Education (UWW or UWSP)
 - Psychological Issues in Gifted Education (UWW)
- Curriculum Methods for Teaching Students with Gifts and Talents (UWSP)

For Teacher license (UWSP endorses) For Coordinator license (UWW endorses)

- Practicum in Teaching Students
 with Gifts and Talents (UWSP)
- Coordinating Gifted and Talented Education
 with embedded clinical/practicum (UWW)

Notes

- Students would take 12 units (or their equivalent) for <u>either</u> license; in order to get <u>both</u> licenses, the total would be 15 units (or their equivalent).
- The three core courses contain topics and standards-based competencies that are important for both the GT Teacher license and the GT Coordinator license.
- The gifted teacher license is NOT a prerequisite for the gifted program coordinator
 license, nor is the gifted teacher practicum course a prerequisite (pupil personnel staff
 members such as school psychologists can serve as program coordinators under PI 34).
- Teachers and administrators may apply for both licenses if they so choose.

SAVE THE DATE!!! CALA 2015 June 22-23 (M/T) at UW-Whitewater "Challenging Advanced Learners Academy"

Themes:

- (1) how best to serve gifted and advanced learners in the context of major education initiatives, and
 - (2) social-emotional needs and nurture!