

Saint Peter's University was founded in 1872 as a Jesuit, catholic, liberal arts college. It is committed to academic excellence and provides an education that seeks to develop the whole person in preparation for a lifetime of learning, leadership, and service in a diverse and global society. It is located in Jersey City, New Jersey with a branch campus for adult students in Englewood Cliffs, New Jersey. It serves approximately 3,000 students.

Saint Peter's University offers over 60 undergraduate and graduate programs. The core curriculum which is part of the undergraduate degree programs provides opportunities for studies in various fields. There are seven graduate degree programs in Education, Business, Accountancy, Criminal Justice, and Nursing. In addition, the university offers pre-professional programs in conjunction with neighboring universities.

Student life at the university is rich and fulfilled by the fielding of 19 NCAA Division I Intercollegiate athletic teams and more than 50 student-run organizations. Intramural sports programs are available to provide social and physical interaction among students through the various sports. Saint Peter's University is committed to fostering relationships with local, national, and global associations. With the volunteer efforts of our students, we provide service to various organizations.

The School of Education is one of five schools on the campus of Saint Peter's University. It houses the graduate and undergraduate programs in education.

The mission of the School of Education is to provide students with a value-oriented education based on the Catholic and Jesuit traditions. The programs are grounded in educational psychology and the methodologies of teaching. Students in the programs develop professional attitudes and behaviors that emphasize the enormous responsibility they assume as education professionals.

The undergraduate program in education provides pre-professional training for teaching on the elementary, middle, and secondary school levels. It offers undergraduate programs in Elementary Education, Middle School Education, and Secondary Education. These programs prepare students to become certified teachers in the state of New Jersey.

The goals of the Instructional Certification Programs in Graduate Education are to enable classroom teachers to continue their professional development by equipping them to move into positions of broadened responsibility and to train qualified candidates who are interested in making a career change to the teaching profession. The goals of the Leadership programs in Graduate Education are to prepare teachers to move into positions of increased responsibility and to take on leadership roles in a K-12 setting. Saint Peter's University offers the degree of Master of Arts in Education in five concentrations of study: Educational Leadership, Reading, Teaching, School Counseling, and Special Education. Additionally, the University offers

certification programs in the following areas: Director of School Counseling, Professional/Associate Counselor, Principal, Supervisor, Middle School Mathematics, School Business Administrator, Teacher, and Teacher of Students with Disabilities.

Saint Peter's University is accredited by the Commission on Higher Education of the Middle States Association of Colleges and Schools. It is recognized by the New Jersey Department of Education as an approved training college. The teacher preparation program is accredited by the Teacher Education Accreditation Council.