Teacher Education

Jefferson College

Associate of Arts in Teaching (AAT)

Have you ever thought about teaching any of the following?

- ☐ Pre-school
- Kindergarten
- ☐ Elementary School
- Middle School
- ☐ High School
- Special Education



If your answer is YES, then start your journey at Jefferson College by earning the Associate of Arts in Teaching (AAT) degree! Now is the time to take your first step toward a rewarding career!

Why should you earn your AAT at Jefferson College?

- Our alumni and our transfer institutions say that our students are **extremely prepared for success** in their next steps in their education.
- Our small class sizes provide you with personal attention and feature collaboration with others in a highly student-centered, engaging environment.
- Our AAT degree transfers easily to four-year colleges/universities.
- You will have multiple opportunities for **real-world teaching experience** in PK-12 schools during your first two years of college.
- We strive to help our students become teacher leaders at their future schools!

Why pay more for a fouryear program when Jefferson College offers you high-quality teacher education at an affordable cost close to home? Two years at Jefferson College to earn your AAT degree costs vs approximately \$8,800*

First two years at a public

Missouri four-year university

costs approximately \$18,990*

Did you know? If you are eligible for the **A+ Scholarship**, your tuition at Jefferson College is **FREE!**

* Two years of average annual costs. Source: IPEDS Data Center/Jefferson College Student Financial Services







How can the Jefferson College Teacher Education Program help you become a great teacher?

Our Associate of Arts in Teaching (AAT) degree will help you prepare for your future.

Jefferson College's AAT degree allows graduates to **transfer easily** into programs at most four-year colleges/universities in the state to earn a bachelor's degree.

You will spend over 30 hours variety of PK-12 classroom environments during your time in the program in order to help you determine your best fit as a teacher and develop your understanding of the teaching and learning process.

Our Teacher Education Program is designed with the future in mind - for you and your students.

The AAT degree will provide you with a solid foundation, both in the **general education** and in **teacher education** coursework, thus ensuring a positive and effective start for you on your journey into the field of teaching.

We believe this foundation will not only effectively prepare you for your educational experiences as you continue your professional development at a four-year college/ university, but it will also help you develop the skills for becoming an outstanding teacher in your own classroom.

In addition to learning about about effective teaching, you will develop the skills you need to succeed as a teacher.

We believe that your active involvement is the best way for you to understand what you learn. Therefore, our classes are highly interactive in order to give you the opportunity to discuss your knowledge and ideas about teaching and learning with your peers and instructor.

You will have many opportunities to interact with and assist teachers and students. In addition, you will have real-world experiences of tutoring and teaching lessons, both to your peers in college classes as well as to students in PK-12 schools.

Individuals who are interested in the field of education can also choose from career options other than teaching!

Librarian
Athletic Trainer
Grant Writer
Consultant
Camp Director
Human Resources

School Counselor Reading Specialist Speech Pathologist Manager or Supervisor College Faculty or Staff Educational Administrator

Median Salary in the U.S.A.

Elementary School Teacher \$61,690/year High School Teacher \$61,820/year

Employment Projected Growth 4-5% by 2031

Source: bls.gov Bureau of Labor Statistics,



Aspiring Educators: All Jefferson College education students are invited to join our club for future teachers. Club activities include community service opportunities, leadership opportunities, guest speakers, and many others!

For more information about the Associate of Arts in Teaching degree,

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