Dear Future Teacher,

Thank you for inquiring about the King’s College Post-Baccalaureate program. We currently offer post-baccalaureate programs in grades PK-4, grades PK-4 and Special Education PK-8, Spanish (grades K-12), French (grades K-12), Biology (7-12), Chemistry (7-12), English (7-12), General Science (7-12), History (7-12), Math (7-12), Physics (7-12), Special Education (7-12), Math 4-8 and Science 4-8. Special education grades 7-12 certification must complement another certification for the same grade level.

For candidates interested in certification in one of the content areas above and who hold a degree in one of the above subject areas, the typical time to completion is 18 months. For those seeking a certification in an area in which they did not receive the equivalent Bachelor degree, an accurate time frame cannot be established until King's College reviews your transcripts from all college courses taken. Students are expected to have earned a minimum of 3.0 GPA at the institution from which they graduated. The planner(s) that is being provided to you lists all courses that are required for certification in the area(s) in which you have expressed interest.

Courses in the post-baccalaureate program are offered in a variety of settings including on-line, accelerated, days and evenings. Some courses, such as methods courses, must be completed on-campus. Most education courses require field experiences that require our candidates to be in the schools during the school day, when schools are in session. The Field Experience Clearance Packet, which includes The Pennsylvania Child Abuse Clearance, Pennsylvania Criminal History Check, and FBI Fingerprinting, must all be submitted to the College prior to starting any field experience.

Each of our accelerated, on-line courses requires candidates to make two mandatory meetings—one during the first week of the class and one towards the end of the class. All other work is completed on-line using our course management system, Moodle.

Post-baccalaureate courses are offered at a reduced tuition rate of $275 per credit. Most courses are 3 credits. In order to be eligible for this reduced rate, students can register for no more than 11 credits in a single term.

In order to continue in the education program at King’s College, each student is required to meet the following requirements:

- Formally apply to the Education Department for acceptance after six credits are completed at King’s College, and no later than the semester prior to student teaching.
- Maintain a 3.0 GPA for classes taken at King’s
• Have six credits of college level English and mathematics
• Maintain all clearances as described above
• Pass the Basic Skills Test in Reading, Mathematics, and Writing (offered through Pearson: www.pa.nesinc.com or ETS www.ets.org/praxis)
• Complete all required field based experience hours, which include visits during the school day
• Provide King’s College with official transcripts from all colleges attended
• At least one-half of all education credits for the certification being sought must be taken at King’s College

The culminating semester of the post-baccalaureate program is the student teaching semester. By Pennsylvania law, this is required to be a full-time teaching experience. All candidates must be prepared to be placed in a local school (within 30 miles of King’s College) for the entire semester and for the entire school day. Typically during this semester, no course other than the companion seminar on Wednesday evenings (4-5 pm) and the Inclusive Education classes, should be taken.

In order to be certified in Pennsylvania, a teacher candidate must successfully pass a second set of tests (either Praxis II or PECT modules) in their content area. This testing is usually taken during student teaching. Once these tests and all classes/student teaching are completed, the teacher candidate will apply for certification through the Pennsylvania Department of Education.

Additional information can be discussed with an individual advisor once we receive your unofficial transcripts.

In order to begin the process of taking courses at King’s College, you will need to provide the Education Department with:

• The attached completed worksheet
• Unofficial copy of your college transcripts for evaluation

Our mailing address is:

Education Department

133 N. River Street

Wilkes-Barre, PA 18711

Sincerely,

Denise M. Reboli, Ph.D.
Chair, Education Department
Post-Baccalaureate Prospective Student

King's College

Name:

Mailing Address:

Email:

Phone number:

Area(s) of certification interest (indicate all that apply):

_____ Grades PK-4

_____ Grades PK-4 and Special Education PK-8

_____ Special Education PK-8*

_____ Spanish (K-12)

_____ French (K-12)

_____ Biology (7-12)

_____ Chemistry (7-12)

_____ General Science (7-12)

_____ Physics (7-12)

_____ English (7-12)

_____ Mathematics (7-12)

_____ History (7-12)

_____ Special Education (7-12)*

_____ Math 4-8

_____ Science 4-8

*If you are seeking Special Education, are you already certified in PA? If so, in what area(s)? All other applicants should check an additional certification area.

College(s) attended: ____________________________________________________________

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Undergraduate Major: __________________________________________________________