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Education Studies Newest Major at Keuka College

KEUKA PARK, N.Y.—Education studies is the latest addition to the major offerings at Keuka College.

The College received approval from the New York State Education Department to offer the bachelor of science degree program.

“This major does not prepare students to become classroom teachers,” said Diane Burke, associate professor and chair of education. “Rather, it provides them with the knowledge and skills to be successful partners in an educational setting.”

Those settings include publishing companies, law firms, businesses, museums, and social service agencies, among others.

“Instead of concentrating on clinical teaching skills,” explained Burke, “students would focus on an area of interest that relates to the educational setting in which they hope to pursue employment or further study.”

They do that by selecting 15 hours of courses in American Sign Language, business, communication, English, history, mathematics, political systems, science, technology, or an interdisciplinary emphasis of working with children or families.

Education studies majors are required to take 30 hours of education courses including five required offerings: *Diverse Learners*, *Literacy*, *Foundations of Education*, *Educational Psychology*, and *Systems Perspective of Special Education*.

