Major Day Information Sheet

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Major:

- Childhood Urban Education
- Adolescence Urban Education
- Physical Education

Description of Major:

All TAL programs are designed to lead to NYS Teaching Certification. Students are prepared to teach diverse learners in an urban context. Programs include both foundation and methods courses leading to a student teaching semester in one of our partner schools especially selected for excellence and diversity.

Is a minor available?

- Majors in Childhood Urban Education complete a 30-credit concentration in one of the Liberal Arts and Sciences.
- Majors in Adolescence Urban Education complete a second major in English, Math, Chemistry, Biology, History, or Spanish.
- Majors in Physical Education complete a concentration in Sports Sciences.

Students in this major should enjoy the following subjects:

TAL majors should enjoy the hands-on interactive nature of all their classes. Fieldwork is an integral part of almost every course. Students are in NYC public school classrooms - observing, learning, and doing, - from the very beginning of the program.

Special requirements to be accepted into this major:

To proceed past the first 6 credits in the program, students must:

- Have a 2.5 GPA (gradually rising to 2.67 by graduation)
- Complete required core English and math courses
- Maintain a 3.0 average in their TAL courses throughout the program.

Classes to consider if you are interested in this major:

• TAL 201 Teaching: Imagine the Possibilities

Examples of jobs alumni of this major have obtained:

Our graduates teach in elementary, middle, and secondary schools, both public and private, throughout the city and beyond.