

HAVE YOU THOUGHT ABOUT

BECOMING A Teacher?

You **can** make a good living, and there are a lot of other benefits too:

- Community respect and recognition
- Professional growth pathways
- Excellent health/retirement benefits
- School calendar work schedule
- Time to pursue other passions
- Coaching and mentoring opportunities

Whatever your passion is, there is always a way to bring it into the classroom.



“As a young African American male, I think the field of Education needs us because so many of our students look like I look. It’s important when you sit in the classroom to have someone that looks like you that you can relate to. It’s about relationships. Ohio University is a great place for African Americans students to become educators. It’s a great environment and it’s somewhere where they will be able to make relationships and connections and be nurtured.”

—Jason Rawls
Patton College Alumnus



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BROTHERS RISE

RALLYING TO
INSPIRE AND
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EDUCATION



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The Patton College of Education's Brothers RISE program is an initiative powered by African American students, faculty, community educators, and alumni of the College with the intent to recruit and retain African American males into the profession of teaching and thereby empower future generations of diverse learners and educators.

WHY YOU?

As an African American male teacher, you make a difference in a child's life every single day, and you are helping to shape the next generation. And as an African American teacher, you will increase the success of students of color. Benefits for students of color include:

- Gains in test scores
- More likely to stay in high school
- Increased intentions of going to college
- More likely to take college entrance exams
- Less likely to be chronically absent
- Less likely to experience discipline incidents

However, while African American students make up 16.8% of the student population in Ohio, less than 1% of their teachers are African American males.

“In the fifth grade I had a teacher who allowed me to be comfortable as a black male and understand that I have the same opportunities, goals, and drive as anybody else. He pushed me in ways that no one else was able to and gave me the confidence I needed. He was somebody who helped you express what you need to say but aren't able to as a fifth grader. He was interested in my life. He was a great inspiration to me. I want to become a teacher because I want to be that person—to have an effect on someone for their long-lasting lives is something special.”

—Elijah Williams
Early Childhood Education Major



WHY OHIO?

Ohio University's Patton College of Education recognizes the importance of a diverse educator workforce to achieve equity and provide an effective learning environment for all students. Our reimagined Teacher Education program is designed to prepare pre-service teachers to incorporate culturally relevant pedagogy into their teaching styles using theoretical constructs from Hip-Hop Based Education (HHBE).

Our college has a national reputation for providing individualized experiential learning, academic advising, and career-preparation. You will graduate with more hours in the classroom than graduates from most education programs in the country.

We will help you find your calling and secure your future...and in doing so, brighten the future of generations to come!

“What makes a good teacher? Having a passion for the subject—not necessarily having to be the best at that subject—but wanting to help people that are going through those classes. Being able to relate the content to students makes students have a better time with it. So just being passionate about what you're doing and passionate about helping people that may not be the best in that subject but they want to learn...being able to help them.”

—Beau Uqdah
Integrated Language Arts Major



DID YOU KNOW?

Education majors have some of the lowest unemployment rates when compared to other college majors.

If you commit to teaching in a low-income school or educational service agency, you may be eligible for \$17,500 dollars in loan forgiveness. Ask about the Teach Grant.

The median annual income for U.S. workers is approximately \$48,692, while the median annual income for a high school teacher is \$61,660. Teachers also have opportunities to increase their income over the summer.

Brothers, RISE

and rally to inspire and shape education...

BECOME A TEACHER!