

Letter from Dean Elish-Piper

Welcome to the College of Education at Northern Illinois University. I am thrilled to have you join the College of Education family. This site will provide you with information about our outstanding programs as well as useful resources to support your success.

The College of Education is a supportive community of people, opportunities and traditions. We have a network of more than 54,000 alumni, 200 faculty members and students from 44 countries. Our graduates serve as teachers, administrators, specialists, counselors, researchers, professors and leaders in a variety of school, community, industrial and business settings.

Our college is comprised of six academic departments as well as administrative offices and units that extend and enhance the college's services. Most importantly, the faculty and staff in the College of Education are here to support you as you pursue your professional goals.

I invite you to explore the college and the many opportunities it offers. I look forward to meeting you in a class, at a College of Education event or in the hallway. I can't wait to learn where your graduate education at NIU will lead you!

My best,

Laurie Elish-Piper, Ph.D.



College of Education Vision

NIU's College of Education provides an inclusive, engaging and supportive environment that inspires students, faculty and staff to strive for excellence. Through innovative and effective instruction, quality research and service to community, we address the changing educational and professional needs of students. As leaders in our disciplines, we contribute to the advancement of teaching, learning and practice in our program areas.

For more information on the programs that the College of Education has to offer, please check out the [graduate catalog](#).



College of Education Mission

As a college focused on high-quality teaching, rigorous research and engaged service, our mission is to prepare students to be leaders in their chosen professions through programs of study grounded in engaged learning experiences.

