Graduation Exit Requirement

This requirement should be completed by both master’s and PhD students by no later than their semester of graduation. Please see here for more information and the link to submit your statement.

The Requirement

All College of Education students must submit a one-page exit interview during the semester you graduate that shows how your major, specialization, or concentration relates to at least one Signature Impact Area. You may have completed this exercise already as part of a course requirement or as you advanced to Ph.D. candidacy. You may submit a Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) statement to meet this requirement.

We want every College of Education graduate to be fully prepared to meet the needs and challenges of their chosen profession by understanding how the Signature Impact Areas affect educational and health outcomes. Your one-page summary will also contribute to your program’s assessment and accreditation requirements.

Signature Impact Areas

College leadership developed three Signature Impact Areas related to equity, context, and transitions that represent our college goals as part of our vision to Reimagine Education:

- Advancing equity and eliminating disparities in education and health
- Attending to place and context
- Thriving through transitions

Benefits

1. College faculty and staff can leverage what you write as they prepare recommendation letters on your behalf.
2. You can include your summary in your resume portfolio as either a personal statement or a diversity statement.
3. You will be able to stand out from other job candidates by communicating how your understanding of equity, context, or transitions enables you to serve those in your desired career during job interviews.
4. You could be randomly selected to receive a college graduation cord and certificate of recognition.