



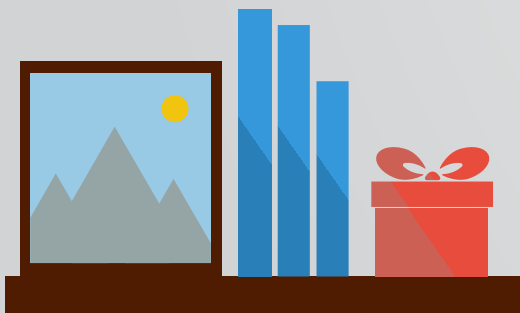
**July 10 - July 21, 2017**

# Urban Teacher Academy July 10 - July 21, 2017

## MISSION STATEMENT

Stockton University Urban Teacher Academy is offered to high school students interested in becoming teachers. Special consideration is given to students interested in teaching in urban schools and/or high shortage subject areas.

A national shortage of teachers is predicted over the next decade due to student enrollment increases, teacher retirements, turnover, and career changes. Teacher shortages will be particularly acute in high poverty schools, and in subjects such as math, science, special education, world languages, bilingual, and early childhood. The Urban Teacher Academy aims to encourage today's high school students from diverse backgrounds to become tomorrow's teachers as a strategy toward resolving this shortfall.



## PROGRAM DESCRIPTION

The Urban Teacher Academy serves as an excellent long-term recruitment strategy to increase the pool of candidates interested in becoming teachers. Benefits of the Urban Teacher Academy include:

- *An introduction to teaching and the teaching profession;*
- *Opportunities to meet with distinguished Stockton faculty, educational leaders, and teachers to discuss issues pertinent to urban education;*
- *Field trips to urban schools and community agencies;*
- *Meaningful, creative, hands-on learning activities;*
- *Classroom observations;*
- *Teaching experience before college;*
- *Opportunities to make a difference in a student's life;*
- *Team building exercises;*
- *Experiencing the Stockton campus.*

High school students will experience learning as individuals and as productive citizens as they explore new concepts and ideas. Students will experience the profession as they are guided through issues pertinent to urban education and the functions of schools.

Students will experience the classroom as they become acquainted with teachers and teaching on a personal and professional level.

Each participant will be required to complete all assignments, keep a portfolio, and write a summary report about his/her experiences in the Urban Teacher Academy.

## CRITERIA

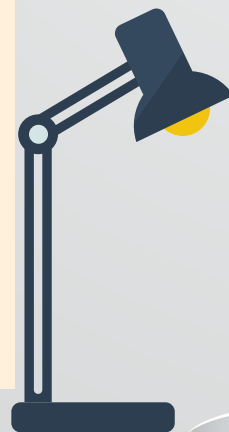
Students who are selected for this program must meet the following criteria:

1. Must be high school students
2. GPA of 2.8 or better on a 4.0 scale
3. Enrolled in college preparatory courses
4. Two teacher recommendations
5. Complete required essay

Applicants underrepresented in the teaching profession are strongly encouraged to apply.



**Application  
Deadline:  
May 31, 2017**

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**Online Application at :**  
<http://tinyurl.com/urbanteacher>

## **PROGRAM ORGANIZATION**

Registration is limited to 15 high school students. This program will meet weekdays from 8:30 am until 3:00 pm. If additional time during the day is needed, advanced information will be sent home to parents/guardians. The Urban Teacher Academy is offered as a day program, not as a residential program.

Students are required to attend every daily session. Absences for compelling circumstances must be approved by the Program Director. A program overview will be provided along with UTA requirements, materials, and expectations. Letters of acceptance will be emailed directly to applicants.

## **EXPENSES ARE COVERED**

No tuition is charged for the Urban Teacher Academy. Students will not pay for books, materials, field trips, and other admissions. This program does not include daily transportation expenses to and from Stockton University.

## **TRANSPORTATION REQUIRED**

Parents/guardians are responsible for transporting students to and from the program. Students may drive to Stockton with parental permission. Specific times and location of drop-off and pick-up will be provided prior to the start of the program.

## **INSTRUCTORS**

Faculty will include Stockton professors, local community and educational leaders, and highly accomplished teachers.

## **AWARDS CEREMONY**

Parents/guardians will be invited to attend a recognition ceremony on July 20, 2017. This program will showcase students' experiences and achievements.

## **HERE'S WHAT STUDENTS NEED TO DO TO APPLY**

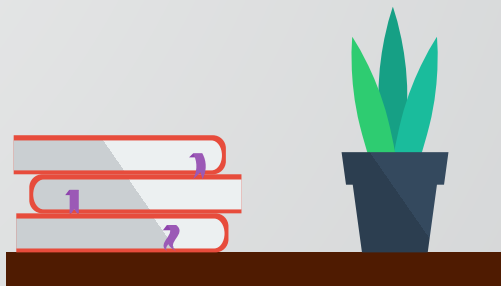
1. Attach a brief autobiographical sketch (100-200 words typed) that includes your personal background and aspirations.
2. Attach an essay (200-250 words typed) identifying a teacher you've had who made a difference in your life. Explain who this teacher is (name, school, subject), what attributes this teacher had, and why this made a difference to you.
3. Attach two letters of recommendation from teachers.
4. Attach a transcript of your high school grades including the first two marking periods of your current year.
5. Attach a list of extracurricular school and community activities, including offices held, leadership positions, and amount of time devoted each week. Include paid work experience as well as volunteer positions. Attach additional pages if necessary.

### **Mail completed applications to:**

**Dr. Meg White  
School of Education  
Stockton University  
101 Vera King Farris Dr.  
Galloway, NJ 08205**



**Accepting Only  
15 High School  
Students**



**Applications will not be processed until all materials have been received.**



**From Northern New Jersey** Take Garden State Parkway south. Take exit 44. Turn right onto Pomona Road. Go 1/2 mile. Make left onto Vera King Farris Drive. Parking will be on the right.

**From Camden/Philly** area Take Atlantic City Expressway to exit 12. Turn left. Proceed straight and pass light at Route 30 (White Horse Pike) to next light at Jimmie Leeds Road. Turn right, go 1 mile on Jimmie Leeds Road and make a left onto Vera King Farris Drive and continue about 1 1/2 miles. Parking will be on left.

**From Southern New Jersey** Drive north on the Garden State Parkway to the Atlantic City Service Area (mile post 41.2). Exit behind the service area to Jimmie Leeds Road, go left and travel one mile and make a right onto Vera King Farris Drive and proceed 1 1/2 miles. Parking will be on left.

**From Atlantic City Area** Travel west on Route 30 (White Horse Pike) for about 10 miles to Pomona Shopping Center. Turn right onto Pomona Road (Rt. 575 N.), at next light, turn right onto Jimmie Leeds Road and travel about 1 mile, and make a left onto Vera King Farris Drive and proceed 1 1/2 miles. Parking will be on the left.

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Dr. Meg White  
609-626-6077

[Meg.White@stockton.edu](mailto:Meg.White@stockton.edu)



*Stockton is an AA/EEO institution.*

*A stunning 2,000-acre campus in Galloway, NJ, nestled in the environmentally protected Pinelands National Reserve just minutes west of Atlantic City and Jersey Shore beaches; an hour west to Philadelphia and two hours north to New York City. Courses are also offered online, at the Carnegie Center in Atlantic City and at Kramer Hall in Hammonton, NJ.*

**This program is sponsored by Stockton University with funding provided by the New Jersey Education Association**

