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**Earn a credential that’s in high demand**

This highly flexible and affordable program will enable you to leverage the latest technology to develop innovative and engaging learning experiences for your students. You’ll choose from among an extensive range of course offerings, and work with expert faculty with extensive experience implementing technology in school settings. When you complete the program, you’ll be ready to plan and design staff development activities to support professional growth in learning technologies, and to implement information access and delivery resources to support the curricula development for students from pre-kindergarten through Grade 12. This program is ideal for dedicated, forward-thinking teachers in the information age.

**A Personalized Education Experience**

- Tuition for courses offered through the DuPage Professional Center for Learning partnerships offered at a discounted rate of tuition at $225 per credit hour
- A convenient, user-friendly, asynchronous model for blended coursework

**The Dominican Difference**

At Dominican University, we understand that there are many options competing for your time and resources, and we have designed a flexible and affordable program that will teach you how to leverage the latest technology to develop engaging, optimal learning experiences for your students.

**Curriculum for the Endorsement**

**Required courses**
- Integrating Technology into Programming, Services and Instruction
- Learning Theories and Instructional Designs
- Hardware, Operating Systems, Networking and Troubleshooting
- Systems Analysis and Design
- Digital and Media Literacy in the Classroom
- Technology for Leaders

**Special topics**

Choose two of the following:
- Technology in STEM
- Online/Blended Learning
- Teaching and Learning in a 1:1 Bring Your Own Device Environment
- 3-D Printing
- Gaming in Education
- Video Production
- Data Management Systems
- Internet Fundamentals and Design
- Introduction to Coding
- Robotics and Microcontrollers
- Social Media and Emerging Technologies
- Assistive Technology

**Curriculum for the Certificate**

**Required course**
- Integrating Technology into Programming, Services and Instruction

**Electives**

- Three courses (nine semester hours) of your choosing from the list above

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**Shmouni Danha**
School of Education Graduate
Our goal: your success

Program Overview

Endorsement:
- Time to complete: four semesters
- 24 semester hours of coursework including: six (18 hrs.) required courses and two (6 hrs.) electives
- Pass the Technology Specialist Test (178) to obtain the official endorsement through the Illinois State Board of Education
- Hold a valid Professional Educator License

Certificate:
- Time to complete: 2-3 semesters
- 12 semester hours of coursework total, including: One (3 hrs.) required course and three (9 hrs.) electives

Ideal for Working Professionals

- Courses are implemented asynchronously, i.e., you do not need to be logged into the computer at a set time each week
- Each course is presented in a 7.5-week session
- Courses are taken consecutively, allowing you to master the content of one course at a time

Learn More

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The fast track to your master’s degree

With all the demands of classroom and home, who has time to earn a master’s degree? You do. Upon completing your endorsement coursework, you can earn your Master of Arts in Education at Dominican by adding just two additional courses (6 additional semester hours). To qualify for this exceptional opportunity, you’ll need to hold a valid Professional Educator License (PEL), have completed at least half of your endorsement classwork at Dominican, and have earned a GPA of 3.0 or higher in your endorsement classwork (with no grade lower than C). This program ensures that your excellent work on your Technology Endorsement sets you up efficiently for further academic achievement.

Outstanding preparation for a purposeful career

The School of Education at Dominican University is committed to fostering the values of scholarship, leadership and service among teacher candidates and their students. The course of study emphasizes the acquisition of professional expertise, the expansion of personal insight, and the fostering of a deep appreciation of human diversity. A teacher trained in the Dominican tradition is prepared—in the words of the university’s founder, Father Samuel Mazzuchelli—“to go where the work is great and difficult,” and to strive to create a more just and humane world.

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Dr. Darlene J. Ruscitti, Regional Superintendent

“I can’t tell you the number of times the principals who hire our teachers have told me that Dominican alums are the best prepared—in terms of the basics of teaching, knowing content and even interacting with colleagues and parents.”

Ben Freville
School of Education Faculty