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Department Summary:

The Department of Secondary Education at Jacksonville State University provides programs of study in ten undergraduate programs for grades 6-12, four undergraduate programs for P-12, seven master's programs for grades 6-12, and two P-12 master's level programs.

Our mission is to prepare professional educators to be knowledgeable, ethical, caring, creative decision makers as life-long teachers and learners in a diverse society through degree programs grounded in educational research, theory, and best practices, including pedagogy rich with content knowledge, integrated technologies, and opportunities for reflection.

Department Statistics:

Average number of students in an academic year:
Undergraduate = 1000 (fall, spring, and summer terms combined)
Graduate = 500 (fall, spring, and summer terms combined)

Student to Faculty Ratio:
Undergraduate =* 18:1
Graduate =*15:1

*These numbers include the use of our regular pro rata and adjunct faculty.

Faculty & Their Expertise:

Joseph Akpan, BS, Lane College; MSE, Drake University; PhD Iowa State University
Professor of Secondary Education

Rhonda Kilgo, BS and MS, Jacksonville State University; PhD The University of Alabama
Assistant Professor of Secondary Education

Linda Mitchell, BS and MSE, Jacksonville State University; PhD Auburn University
Associate Professor of Secondary Education

Charles Notar, BS, Pennsylvania State University; MA and EdD, Memphis State University
Professor of Secondary Education

Emily Sims, BS and MSE, Jacksonville State University; PhD The University of Alabama
Interim Department Head and Assistant Professor of Secondary Education

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