

FIELD EXPERIENCE LEVEL I

OBJECTIVES

TO THE COOPERATING TEACHERS AND ADMINISTRATORS:

The field experience program at the University of Northern Iowa has as its main goal the guiding of teacher education students through progressive stages of the pre-student teaching period by engaging them in numerous and varied experiences relating to the development of professional competencies.

Specific objectives:

1. To help teacher-education students make decisions concerning their preparation for working in the field of education.
2. To provide experiences for the prospective teachers; these experiences can become the basis for determining the grade level and subject of preparation for the future teachers.
3. To expose the teacher-education student to pupils of varying social and cultural backgrounds.
4. To help the prospective teacher comprehend how pupils grow, develop and learn.
5. To help the future teacher become more aware of the nature and work of the schools in their role in education, in general, and in their relationship to the various communities, specifically.
6. To maintain continuous evaluation and self-renewal of the ongoing teacher education program at the University of Northern Iowa.

***Teaching to me is the most adventurous,
the most exciting, the most thrilling of
professions.***

***It has its perils, its discouragements,
its successes, its delights.***