Students who are enrolled in the Teacher Education Program will engage in an innovative year-long internship during their senior year that provides a unique perspective into the life of a teacher. The year-long internship schedule begins with teacher professional development days at the school placement site in early August. Interns will follow the school district calendar through December (beyond Winthrop University’s last day of classes) and again in January (before Winthrop classes begin). Elementary Education and Early Childhood Education students will begin the year-long internship in Fall 2011; Special Education and Middle Level Education students will begin the year-long internship in Fall 2012; and Secondary and K-12 education students will begin the year-long internship in Fall 2013 or Fall 2014, based on the program area.

The Teacher Education Program core curriculum will be changing over the next few years. The programs of study for current teacher education majors may be impacted by this change. Teacher education majors should stay in close contact with their faculty advisors for additional information as these changes occur and as they approach their year-long internship.