Education (Elementary) Major

B.S. in Education/Elementary Teacher Licensure - Curriculum Map 2016-2017 Catalog

Must maintain an overall 3.0 Grade Point Average in the Education major as well as in the second major.

| Freshman | | | |
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| Fall | Cr. | Spring | Cr. |
| ED 104 Foundations of Education | 3 | EN 102 Composition and Literature II | 3 |
| EN 101 Composition and Literature I | 3 | PY 220 Developmental Psychology | 3 |
| General Education History | 3 | MA 161 Mathematics for Elementary School Teachers II (General Education Math) | 3 |
| MA 160 Mathematics for Elementary School Teachers I | 3 | SO 214 Racial and Cultural Minorities (General Education Social Science) | 3 |
| PY 211 Introduction to Psychology | 3 | Free Elective | 3 |
| Semester Total Credits | 15 | Semester Total Credits | 15 |
| Sophomore | | | |
| Fall | Cr. | Spring | Cr. |
| ED 234 Learning and Teaching Strategies | 4 | ED 315 Special Needs Child | 3 |
| General Education Lab Science | 4 | General Education Lab Science | 4 |
| General Education Literature | 3 | General Education Arts & Humanities | 3 |
| Free Elective | 3 | Free Elective | 3 |
| Free Elective | 3 | Free Elective | 3 |
| Semester Total Credits | 17 | Semester Total Credits | 16 |
| Junior | | | |
| Fall | Cr. | Spring | Cr. |
| ED 360 Language Arts and Teaching Reading in the Elementary School | 4 | ED 351 Methods of Teaching Science to Elementary Students | 3 |
| General Education Math | 3 | General Education Ethics | 3 |
| $\rm MA360$ Teaching Mathematics at the Elementary - Middle School Level (General Education Math) | 3 | Free Elective | 3 |
| PY 352 Learning and Memory | | Free Elective | 3 |
| Free Elective | 3 | Free Elective | 3 |
| Free Elective | 3 | | |
| Semester Total Credits | 20 | Semester Total Credits | 15 |
| Senior | | | |
| Fall | | Spring | Cr. |
| ED 432 Curriculum and Methods of the Elementary School | 4 | ED 425 Student Teaching | 12 |
| Free Elective | 3 | | |
| Semester Total Credits | 16 | Semester Total Credits | 12 |
| Total Credits For This Major: 126 | | | |

The Fifth-Year Program

For those with degrees in appropriate fields, an opportunity to become a candidate for licensure is provided through a "fifth-year" program. These students are non-matriculating students. Each candidate's course work and experience are evaluated and a program of study is recommended. Typically, for candidates without education or psychology courses, the program takes 1-1/2 – 2 years to complete. Because of course sequencing, a candidate with some of the required courses must commit to a minimum of one year. Candidates must meet the same requirements for licensure as those students enrolled in the Education Major.

The Portfolio

All licensure candidates are required to complete a portfolio. Development of the portfolio begins in your sophomore year and is continued in subsequent courses. Substantial progress toward completion must be demonstrated before the student is admitted to student teaching. This means that Entries 1-4 need to be completed and assessed prior to Student Teaching Placement. The development of your portfolio and its process is discussed in further detail in your Portfolio Handbook.

Praxis Tests

In order to be recommended for licensure, candidates must achieve a passing score on the Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators and the PRAXIS II Content Tests. These tests are discussed in detail with Education students during their individual advising times.

All students are required to pass PRAXIS I Core Academic Skills for Educators test and the Praxis II Content tests prior to placement in ED 425 Student Teaching.