General Education Requirements for Students Preparing to Teach Elementary School

These requirements are for undergraduate students who are preparing to teach elementary school. The requirements as listed will meet general education degree requirements as well as teaching program requirements.

The general education degree requirements consist of 51-54 credit hours of course work.

Courses meeting general education requirements may also satisfy major and other program requirements.

Refer to curriculum guides in the Department of Teaching and Leadership for additional course requirements specific to the major.

See Scholastic Achievement in Common Core general education courses for Early Childhood/Late Childhood (K-6) majors.

General Education Components

COMM 207, ENGL 101, ENGL 190 OR ENGL 299, MATH 204, BIOL 113 OR BIOL 111 and BIOL 112, PHYS 171 and PHYS 172 OR CHEM 105 and CHEM 106, SOC 100, POLS 101, GEOG 106 OR GEOG 300, PSYCH 155, FCS 203 OR FCS 301 OR HHP 150 OR NURS 303, HIST 101 OR HIST 102 OR HIST 201 OR HIST 202 are the general education content core curriculum of 33-36 hours. A 2.80 GPA in this content core is required for admission to Teacher Education.

Basic Skills (15 hours)

COMM 207: Speech Communication .........................................................3
ENGL 101: English Composition .............................................................3
ENGL 190: Honors English Composition ..................................................3
or ENGL 299: Introduction to Research Writing ..................................3
MATH 204: Mathematics for Education I .................................................3
MATH 304: Mathematics for Education II .................................................3
Must have a "C" or better in COMM 207, ENGL 101, ENGL 190, ENGL 299, MATH 204.

General Education Electives (36-39)

Sciences (8-9 hours)

Natural Sciences

BIOL 113: Environmental Life Science ......................................................4
or BIOL 111: General Biology .................................................................3
and BIOL 112: General Biology Laboratory .........................................2

Physical Sciences (Select one)

PHYS 171: Physical Science ....................................................................3
and PHYS 172: Physical Science Laboratory .........................................1
CHEM 105: Introductory Chemistry .......................................................3
and CHEM 106: Introductory Chemistry Laboratory ..........................1

Social Studies** (3 hours)

SOC 100: Introduction to Sociology .......................................................3

Political Studies** (3 hours)

POLS 101: U.S. Politics .............................................................................3

**One of the two courses counts for the 33-36 hours General Education Core GPA of 2.80.

Producing and Consuming (6 hours)

Economy (Select one)

ECON 191: Issues in Today's Economy ..................................................3
FCS 230: Consumer Education and Personal Finance ........................3

Technology

EDTH 330: Technology for the Classroom ............................................3

Fine Arts and Aesthetic Studies (3 hours)

ART 311: Art Education ...........................................................................3

Cultural Studies (Select one) (3 hours)

GEOG 106: World Regional Geography ................................................3
GEOG 300: Elements of Geography ....................................................3

Health and Well Being (4-6 hours)

Psychological

PSYCH 155: General Psychology ..........................................................3

Physical (Select one)

FCS 203: Nutrition and Health .................................................................3
FCS 301: Nutrition ..................................................................................3
HHP 150: Lifetime Fitness Concepts ......................................................1
NURS 303: Introduction to Public Health .............................................3
Human Heritage (6 hours)

History (Select One)

HIST 101: World History to 1500 ......................................................... 3
HIST 102: World History from 1500 .................................................... 3
HIST 201: American History to 1865 .................................................. 3
HIST 202: American History from 1865 .............................................. 3

Literature (Select One)

ENGL 113: General Literature .............................................................. 3
ENGL 114: General Literature (Genre) .................................................. 3
ENGL 116: General Literature (Theme) .................................................. 3

Total General Education Components 51-54 hours.