

DEPARTMENT OF TEACHING AND EDUCATIONAL LEADERSHIP

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

The Elementary Education program meets the needs of today's children building on the common core of knowledge, performance, and dispositions needed for professional educators in elementary education. This program is designed for those individuals preparing to teach in grades K-6.

There are three stages in the Bachelor of Science Elementary Education Degree program. Teacher candidates begin the first stage by taking general education requirements and are introduced to basic concepts, theory and practices.

During the second stage teacher candidates complete general education requirements and take courses specifically designed to prepare them for the education profession. Admission requires a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.70 on all college work attempted with no grade below "C" (including work from other colleges and universities); and beginning the development of a portfolio which must include a philosophy and documented evidence of observations of children.

During the third stage of the elementary program, teacher candidates are placed in an appropriate environment for their internship. Admission to this stage requires a minimum grade point average of 2.70 with no grade below "C" in all courses and a satisfactory score on the licensure exam as established by the Arkansas Department of Education. Teacher candidates should make application for admission to the internship for the spring semester by October 15, or the fall semester by March 15.

See the [College of Education and Health](#) page for additional requirements.

Curriculum

The matrix below is a sample plan for all coursework required for this program.

Freshman

Fall	Credits
ENGL 1013 ¹	3
BIOL 1014	4
MATH 1003	3
COMM 2173	3
EDFD 1001	1
Total Hours	14

Spring	Credits
ENGL 1023 ¹	3
HIST 1503	3
Social Studies Course (History, Economics, and/or Geography)	3
PHSC 1013	3
PHSC 1021	1
POLS 2003	3
Total Hours	16

Sophomore

Fall	Credits
EDMD 3013	3

Fall	Credits
HIST 1903	3
MATH 2033	3
GEOL 1004	4
ELED 2003	3
Total Hours	16

Spring	Credits
MUS 2003	3
PE 3593	3
MATH 2043	3
SPED 2023	3
ELED 2113	3
Total Hours	15

Junior

Fall	Credits
MATH 3033	3
RDNG 3003	3
SPED 3033	3
ELED 3123	3
ELED 3133	3
Total Hours	15

Spring	Credits
BIOL 3243/PHSC 3243	3
HIST 2153	3
RDNG 3163	3
SPED 3153	3
ELED 3143	3
Total Hours	15

Senior

Fall	Credits
ART 2123	3
PHSC 3253/BIOL 3253	3
RDNG 4003	3
RDNG 4013	3

Fall	Credits
ELED 4033	3
Total Hours	15

Spring	Credits
RDNG 4023	3
ELED 4912	12
Total Hours	15

¹See appropriate alternatives or substitutions in "[General Education Requirements](#)".