

Elementary Education

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Degrees & Programs

Early Childhood Education, A.S.

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Requirements

Individuals who earn an Associate Degree In Early Childhood Education are prepared to teach preschool in private and corporate centers, Head Start, and public education tuition preschools, or work as center directors. The Associate Degree in Early Childhood can be planned to fill the majority of the requirements for entry into the Elementary Education Program. The UVU Early Childhood Education program is accredited by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities. The UVU Teacher Education Preschool is accredited by the National Association for the Education of Young Children.

Total Program Credits: 60

General Education Requirements:		35 Credits
	ENGL 1010 Introduction to Academic Writing CC	3
or	ENGL 1005 Literacies and Composition Across Context CC (5.0)	
	ENGL 2010 Intermediate Academic Writing CC	3
Complete one of the following:		3
	MAT 1030 Quantitative Reasoning QL (3.0)	
	MAT 1035 Quantitative Reasoning with Integrated Algebra QL (6.0)	
	MATH 1050 College Algebra QL (4.0)	

	MATH 1055 College Algebra with Preliminaries QL (5.0)	
	MATH 2000 Algebraic Reasoning with Modeling QL (3.0)	
	STAT 1040 Introduction to Statistics QL (3.0)	
	STAT 1045 Introduction to Statistics with Algebra QL (5.0)	
Complete one of the following:		3
	HIST 2700 US History to 1877 AS (3.0)	
and	HIST 2710 US History since 1877 AS (3.0)	
	HIST 1700 American Civilization AS (3.0)	
	HIST 1740 US Economic History AS (3.0)	
	POLS 1000 American Heritage SS (3.0)	
	POLS 1100 American National Government AS (3.0)	
Complete the following:		
	PHIL 2050 Ethics and Values IH	3
	HLTH 2900 Health Education for Elementary Teachers	2
Distribution Courses:		
	Biology	3
	Physical Science	3
	Additional Biology or Physical Science	3
	Humanities	3
	Fine Arts	3
	PSY 1100 Human Development Life Span SS ("C" grade or higher)	3
Discipline Core Requirements:		25 Credits
	EDEC 1640 Childrens Music and Movement	2
	EDEL 2200 Introduction to Educational Technology	2
	EDEC 2300 Including Young Diverse Learners	2
	EDEC 2500 Child Development Birth to Eight Years	3
	EDEC 2600 Introduction to Early Childhood Education	2
	EDEC 2610 Child Guidance	3
	EDEC 2620 Early Childhood Curriculum	3
	EDEC 2630 Literacy and Literature for Early Childhood	3
	EDEC 2700 Early Childhood Practicum	3
	EDEC 2720 Early Childhood Assessment	2

Graduation Requirements:

1. Completion of a minimum of 60 semester credits.
2. Overall grade point average of 2.0 (C) or above. C- grade or higher in all program classes unless otherwise specified.
3. Residency hours -- minimum of 20 credit hours through course attendance at UVU.
4. Completion of GE and specified departmental requirements.
5. First aid/CPR certification, food handler's permit, portfolio review and acceptance by Education Committee

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Careers

1. Program graduates identify and conduct themselves as members of the early childhood profession.
2. Program graduates understand that successful early childhood education depends upon partnerships with children's families and communities.
3. Program graduates understand that child observation, documentation, and other forms of assessment are central to the practice of all early childhood professionals.
4. Program graduates are grounded in a child development knowledge base.
5. Program graduates use their knowledge of academic disciplines to design, implement, and evaluate experiences that promote positive development and learning for each and every young child.
6. Program graduates understand that teaching and learning with young children is a complex enterprise, and its details vary depending on children's ages, characteristics, and the settings within which teaching and learning occur.

Related Careers

- Preschool Teachers, Except Special Education
- Kindergarten Teachers, Except Special Education

Pre-Elementary Education, A.S.

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Requirements

Prepares students for matriculation into the Bachelor of Science Professional Elementary Education program.

Total Program Credits: 60

General Education Requirements:		35 Credits
	ENGL 1010 Introduction to Academic Writing CC	3
or	ENGL 1005 Literacies and Composition Across Context CC (5)	
	ENGL 2010 Intermediate Academic Writing CC	3
Complete one of the following:		3
	MATH 1050 College Algebra QL (4) ¹	
	MATH 1055 College Algebra with Preliminaries QL (5) ¹	
	MATH 2000 Algebraic Reasoning with Modeling QL (3) ¹	
Complete one of the following:		3
	HIST 2700 US History to 1877 AS (3)	
and	HIST 2710 US History since 1877 AS (3)	
	HIST 1700 American Civilization AS (3)	
	HIST 1740 US Economic History AS (3)	
	POLS 1000 American Heritage SS (3)	
	POLS 1100 American National Government AS (3)	
Complete the following:		
	PHIL 2050 Ethics and Values IH	3

	HLTH 2900 Health Education for Elementary Teachers	2
Distribution Courses:		
	Biology	3
	Physical Science	3
	Additional Biology or Physical Science	3
	Humanities Distribution	3
	Fine Arts Distribution:	3
	ART 2100 Teaching Art for Children FF (3)	
or	DANC 2100 Teaching Dance for Children FF (3)	
or	MUSC 2100 Teaching Music for Children FF (3)	
or	THEA 2100 Teaching Theatre For Children FF (3)	
	PSY 1100 Human Development Life Span SS (Social/Behavioral Science)	3
Discipline Core Requirements:		15 Credits
Complete the following:		
	EDEL 1010 Introduction to Education ²	2
	EDEL 2200 Introduction to Educational Technology ²	2
	EDEL 2330 Children's Literature ²	3
	MATH 2010 Mathematics for Elementary Teachers I ¹	3
	MATH 2020 Mathematics for Elementary Teachers II ¹	3
	PETE 2150 Elementary Physical Education SPARK Method ²	2
Elective Requirements:		10 Credits
Complete 10 credits of course 1000 or higher. The following is a list of recommended courses to choose from:		10
	ART 2100 Teaching Art for Children FF (3)	
	DANC 2100 Teaching Dance for Children FF (3)	
	MUSC 2100 Teaching Music for Children FF (3)	
	THEA 2100 Teaching Theatre For Children FF (3)	

Graduation Requirements:

1. Completion of a minimum of 60 semester credits.
2. Overall grade point average of 2.0 (C) or above. (Departments may require a higher GPA.)
3. Residency hours -- minimum of 20 credit hours through course attendance at UVU.
4. Completion of GE and specified departmental requirements.

Footnotes

1. Must be completed with a C grade or higher.
2. Must be completed with a B- grade or higher.

Pre-Elementary Education, A.S.

Careers

1. A student will acquire a foundation of intellectual and practical skills including communication, quantitative reasoning, and technical and information literacies.

2. A student will demonstrate knowledge of human cultures and the physical and natural world in the following areas of essential study: arts, history, humanities, languages, science and mathematics, social sciences.
3. Prepares students for matriculation into the Bachelor of Science Professional Elementary Education program.

1. ACT 21+ or ENGH 1005 or ENGL 1010 with a C- grade or higher except for PSY 1100, EDEC 1640, and EDEL 2200
2. This course must be taken before EDEC 2300 and EDEC 2500
3. PSY 1100 is a prerequisite for these courses
4. Must receive a B- grade or higher in this course prior to enrolling in EDEC 2700 and EDEC 2720

Related Careers

- Preschool Teachers, Except Special Education
- Kindergarten Teachers, Except Special Education

Early Care and Education, Certificate of Completion

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Requirements

This certificate is for students interested in increasing their skills in working with children in child care and preschool programs. Individuals are prepared to work as technicians in public education classrooms and as teacher aides in private centers or Head Start.

Total Program Credits: 30

Discipline Core Requirements:		28 Credits
Complete the following courses: ¹		
PSY 1100	Human Development Life Span (C grade or higher) ²	3
EDEC 1640	Childrens Music and Movement	2
EDEC 2300	Including Young Diverse Learners ³	2
or EDSP 340G	Exceptional Students GI (2.0)	
EDEC 2500	Child Development Birth to Eight Years ³	3
EDEC 2600	Introduction to Early Childhood Education ⁴	2
EDEC 2610	Child Guidance	3
EDEC 2620	Early Childhood Curriculum	3
EDEC 2630	Literacy and Literature for Early Childhood	3
EDEC 2700	Early Childhood Practicum	3
EDEC 2720	Early Childhood Assessment	2
EDEL 2200	Introduction to Educational Technology	2
Elective Requirements:		2 Credits
Advisor Approval		2

Graduation Requirements:

1. Completion of a minimum of 30 semester credits.
2. Overall grade point average of 2.0 (C) or above. C- grade or higher in all program courses unless otherwise specified.
3. Residency hours -- minimum of 10 credit hours through course attendance at UVU.
4. Completion of GE and specified departmental requirements.
5. First aid/CPR certification, food handler's permit, portfolio review and acceptance by Education Committee.

Footnotes

Early Care and Education, Certificate of Completion Careers

1. Program graduates identify and conduct themselves as members of the early childhood profession.
2. Program graduates understand that knowledge of child development, child-centered environments and learning experiences, and appropriate assessment are central to the practice of all early childhood professionals.
3. Program graduates use their knowledge of academic disciplines to design, implement, and evaluate experiences that promote positive development and learning for each young child.

Related Careers

- Preschool Teachers, Except Special Education
- Kindergarten Teachers, Except Special Education

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Requirements

The Professional Elementary Teacher Education Program at Utah Valley University is designed to prepare quality, entry level candidates for teaching in elementary education programs grades K-6. Students successfully completing the UVU professional teacher education program graduation and licensure requirements receive a baccalaureate degree in Elementary Education and a Level I Utah Professional Teaching License. To continue in the teacher education program, students are expected to maintain all program standards. They must maintain expected levels of competence in all coursework, field work, and student teaching with all course grades at or above a B- and a program GPA of 3.00 or higher. Additionally, teacher candidates are expected to adhere to standards of personal integrity, responsibility, and citizenship commonly expected of professional educators. The UVU teacher education program is accredited by the Association for Advancing Quality in Educator Preparation (AAQEP), the Utah State Office of Education, and the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities.

Total Program Credits: 120

Matriculation Requirements:		
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Reading and Writing-Complete ENGL 2010 with B- or higher 2. Mathematics-Complete MATH 1050, 1055 or 2000 with a C or higher 3. GPA of 3.0 or higher 4. General Education coursework completed 5. Completion of Pre-Professional Core Requirements with a B- or higher (Math courses C or higher) 6. Pass LiveScan Criminal Background Check 		
General Education Requirements:		35 Credits
General Education courses: ¹		
ENGL 1010	Introduction to Academic Writing CC	3
or ENGH 1005	Literacies and Composition Across Contexts CC (5.0)	

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	ENGL 2010	Intermediate Academic Writing CC	3
Complete one of the following: ³			3
	MATH 1050	College Algebra QL (4)	
	MATH 1055	College Algebra with Preliminaries QL (5)	
	MATH 2000	Algebraic Reasoning with Modeling QL(3)	
Complete one of the following:			3
	HIST 2700	US History to 1877 AS (3)	
and	HIST 2710	US History since 1877 AS (3)	
	HIST 1700	American Civilization AS (3)	
	HIST 1740	US Economic History AS (3)	
	POLS 1000	American Heritage SS (3)	
	POLS 1100	American National Government AS (3)	
Complete the following:			
	PHIL 2050	Ethics and Values IH	3
	HLTH 2900	Health Education for Elementary Teachers	2
Distribution Courses:			
	Biology		3
	Physical Science		3
	Additional Biology or Physical Science		3
	Humanities		3
Complete one of the following:			3
	ART 2100	Teaching Art for Children FF (3)	
or	DANC 2100	Teaching Dance for Children FF (3)	
or	MUSC 2100	Teaching Music for Children FF (3)	
or	THEA 2100	Teaching Theatre For Children FF (3)	
	PSY 1100	Human Development Life Span ³	3
Discipline Core Requirements:			65 Credits
Pre-Professional Core Requirements: ¹			
	EDEL 1010	Introduction to Education ²	2
	EDEL 2200	Introduction to Educational Technology ²	2
	EDEL 2330	Childrens Literature ²	3
	MATH 2010	Mathematics for Elementary Teachers I ³	3
	MATH 2020	Mathematics for Elementary Teachers II ³	3
	PETE 2150	Elementary Physical Education SPARK Method ²	2
Professional Education Core Requirements: ²			
	EDEL 3000	Educational Psychology	3
	EDEL 340G	Exceptional Students GI	2
	EDEL 3100	Kindergarten Classroom	2
	EDEL 325G	Equitable Technology Integration GI	2
	EDEL 330G	Multicultrual Education GI	3

	EDEL 3350	Instructional Design and Assessment	3
	EDEL 4200	Elementary Learning Environments I	1
	EDEL 4210	Elementary Learning Environments II	1
	EDEL 4230	Elementary Learning Environments III	1
	EDEL 4240	Elementary Learning Environments IV	1
	EDEL 4400	Elementary Literacy Instruction and Assessment I	3
	EDEL 4410	Elementary Literacy Instruction and Assessment II WE	3
	EDEL 4420	Elementary Language Arts Instruction and Assessment	3
	EDEL 443G	Teaching Methods for English Learners GI WE	3
	EDEL 4510	Elementary Mathematics Instruction and Assessment I	3
	EDEL 4520	Elementary Science Instruction and Assessment	3
	EDEL 4530	Elementary Social Studies Instruction and Assessment	3
	EDEL 4540	Elementary Fine Arts Instruction and Assessment	3
	EDEL 4550	Elementary Mathematics Instruction and Assessment II	3
	EDEL 4620	Differentiation for Academic Diversity	2
	EDEL 4880	Student Teaching--Grades K-6	9
	EDEL 4980	Elementary Education Capstone Seminar	1
	EDEL 4990	Teacher Performance Assessment Project	2
Elective Requirements:			10 Credits
Complete additional credits to meet requirements			10
Recommended elective courses:			
	ART 2100	Teaching Art for Children FF (3)	
	DANC 2100	Teaching Dance for Children FF (3)	
	MUSC 2100	Teaching Music for Children FF (3)	
	THEA 2100	Teaching Theatre For Children FF (3)	
	SLSS 120R	Testing Strategies for Educators (1)	

Graduation Requirements:

1. Completion of a minimum of 120 semester credits.
2. Overall grade point average of 3.0 or above.
3. Residency hours -- minimum of 30 credit hours through course attendance at UVU, with at least 10 hours earned in the last 45 hours.
4. Completion of GE and specified departmental requirements.
5. Successful completion of at least one Global/Intercultural course.
6. Successful completion of at least two Writing Enriched courses.

NOTE: Application forms are available at the beginning of each Spring semester, must be completed by March 1st, and can be obtained in the Education Department, 801-863-8527.

Footnotes

1. Students must complete all Pre-Professional and General Education courses with an overall GPA of 3.0 before they are formally admitted into the Teacher Preparation Program.

2. Must be completed with a grade of B- or higher.
3. Course requires a C grade or higher

Elementary Education, B.S.

Careers

1. Design and implement effective instructional practices.
2. Create safe and productive learning environments.
3. Apply knowledge of developmental patterns to instructional design and assessment.

Related Careers

- Elementary School Teachers, Except Special Education