

ELEMENTARY EDUCATION, PK-6 LICENSURE, BSED (PENDING SCHEV APPROVAL)

Banner Code: E1-BSED-EEPK

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This bachelor's degree provides teacher candidates with the specialized knowledge, skills, and dispositions needed to meet the educational needs of students in grades PreK-6. The robust, well-rounded program of study includes general and content-specific methods courses designed to prepare reflective teachers who are responsive to students' diverse needs and ready to advance the 21st Century classroom. A strong partnership with local PK-6 schools ensures that teacher candidates are immersed in classroom settings with elementary students throughout their teacher preparation program. Graduates recognize and adapt to students' needs, interests and readiness levels through innovative, research-based pedagogical practices.

Admissions & Policies

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Admissions

Students interested in majoring in Elementary Education are initially enrolled as BPRE, or Pre-Elementary Education. They must successfully complete certain courses, exams, and the appropriate application form to be admitted to the BSEd in Elementary Education.

The requirements for admission to the BSEd in Elementary Education from BPRE status are:

- 2.75 overall GPA
- Passing scores for all Commonwealth of Virginia mandated tests for the licensure area
- Grades of B- or higher in
 - EDUC 200 Introduction to Education: Teaching, Learning and Schools
 - EDUC 301 Educating Diverse and Exceptional Learners
 - ECED 404 Engaging Families of Diverse Learners, Birth – Grade 6
 - ELED 342 Foundations of Elementary Education
 - ELED 358 Children's Literature for Teaching in Diverse Settings
 - ELED 357 Integrating Technology in PreK-6
- 10 professional development points

Policies

All coursework in the major requires a grade of B- or better for licensure.

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Degree Requirements

Total credits: 120

Mason Core

Code	Title	Credits
Foundation Requirements:		
Written Communication		3
ENGH 101	Composition (Mason Core) (recommended course)	
Oral Communication		3
COMM 100	Public Speaking (Mason Core) (recommended course)	
Quantitative Reasoning		3
MATH 106	Quantitative Reasoning (Mason Core) (recommended course)	
Information Technology and Computing		3
Exploration Requirements:		
Arts		3
ARTH 101	Introduction to the Visual Arts (Mason Core) (recommended course)	
Global Understanding		3
GGG 101	Major World Regions (Mason Core) (recommended course)	
Literature		3
Natural Science		7-8
Two lab sciences in different disciplines (recommended)		
Social and Behavioral Sciences		3
Western Civilization/World History		3
HIST 121	Formation of the American Republic (Mason Core) (recommended course)	
or HIST 122	Development of Modern America (Mason Core)	
Integration Requirement:		
Written Communication		3
ENGH 302	Advanced Composition (Mason Core) (recommended course)	
Synthesis/Capstone		
Total Credits		37-38

Major Requirements

Code	Title	Credits
ELED 305	Foundations of Elementary Methods and Management	3

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ELED 342	Foundations of Elementary Education	3
ELED 357	Integrating Technology in PreK-6	3
ELED 358	Children's Literature for Teaching in Diverse Settings	3
ELED 390	Clinical Experience: Theory to Practice Integration ¹	2
ELED 401	Classroom Management and Instructional Strategies for Diverse Learners	3
ELED 402	Differentiating Elementary Methods and Management	3
ELED 410	Emergent and Early Literacy	3
ELED 411	Reading Development, Processes, Assessment, and Pedagogy	3
ELED 412	Writing Development, Processes and Pedagogy	3
ELED 420	Arts Integration in Elem Ed	2
ELED 421	STEM in the Elementary Classroom	3
ELED 422	Collaboration in PK-6 Inclusive School Settings	3
ELED 443	Children, Family, Culture, and Schools, 4-12 Year Olds	3
ELED 452	Mathematics Methods for the Elementary Classroom	3
ELED 453	Science Methods for the Elementary Classroom	3
ELED 454	Methods of Teaching Social Studies and Integrating Fine Arts in the Elementary Classroom	3
ELED 459	Research and Assessment in Elementary Education	3
ELED 480	Practicum in Elementary Education	3
ELED 490	Internship in Elementary Education	9
ELED 491	Internship Seminar in Elem Ed	1
ECED 404	Engaging Families of Diverse Learners, Birth – Grade 6	3
EDSE 428	Elementary Reading, Curriculum, Strategies for Students Who Access the General Education Curriculum	3
EDCI 423	Methods for Teaching PK-6 English Learners in Inclusive Classrooms	3
EDUC 200	Introduction to Education: Teaching, Learning and Schools	3
EDUC 301	Educating Diverse and Exceptional Learners	3
Total Credits		80

¹ ELED 390 is a 1 credit course. To earn the required total of 2 credits, students must enroll twice in this course.

Electives

Code	Title	Credits
Select 2-3 credits of electives		2-3
Total Credits		2-3