THE UNIVERSITY OF RHODE ISLAND<br>Feinstein College of Education and Professional Studies<br>Academic Year 2016-2017

## Elementary Education - BA

120 Credits Total
56 Credits in Major

GENERAL EDUCATION GUIDELINES: General education (GE) is 40 credits. Each of the twelve outcomes (A1-D1) must be met by at least 3 credits. A single course may meet more than one general education outcome, but cannot be double counted towards the 40credit total. At least one course must be a Grand Challenge (G). No more than twelve credits can have the same course code (noteHPR courses may have more than 12 credits). General education courses may also be used to meet requirements of the major or minor when appropriate.


NOTE: This worksheet sheet is a snapshot of your entire curriculum. You must work with your advisor each term to discuss requirements to keep you on courses for timely progress to complete this major. Official requirements for graduation are listed in the University Catalog.
*General Education (GE) courses that will count toward Elementary Education program requirements.
+Will be proposed.

## ABOUT ELEMENTARY EDUCATION BA DEGREE

This curriculum prepares students for elementary school teaching in grades 1-6 and offers a balanced program of academic preparation and professional training. The required professional courses contribute directly to understanding the teacher's role in society and to the development of teaching knowledge, disposition, and skills. In addition, interested students who have the appropriate major may choose to pursue additional certification in middle level (e.g., English, General Science, Mathematics, General Social Studies) or ESL. Additional certifications in middle level and ESL are in addition to the requirements for the Elementary Education. They require extra coursework and careful planning in order to complete the B.A. within 4 years.

## PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS

| Program Course Requirements Prior to Admission | Credits | Grade |
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| EDC 102 Introduction to American Education (GE B4, C3) | 3 |  |
| EDC 250 Supervised Pre-professional Field Experience | 1 |  |
| EDC 312 The Psychology of Learning (GE A2, B4) | 3 |  |
| Science with a lab (GE) | 3-4 |  |
| MTH 208 Numeracy for Teachers (GE A1, B3) | 4 |  |
| MTH 209 Numeracy for Teachers II | 4 |  |
| PSY 232 Developmental Psychology <br> (GE A2, B1) or <br> HDF 200 Life Span Development I | 3 |  |
| Course Requirements After Admission, Sequential Required: C or above in all courses; S in $\mathrm{S} / \mathrm{U}$ courses |  |  |
| Junior Year Semester 1 |  |  |
| EDC 423 Teaching Comprehension and Response in the Elementary School | 3 |  |
| EDC 453 Individual Differences | 3 |  |
| EDC 454 Individual Differences Field Component | 1 |  |
| Junior Year Semester 2 |  |  |
| EDC 424 Teaching Literacy in Primary Grades | 3 |  |
| EDC 456 Mathematics Methods in Elementary and Middle School Teaching | 2 |  |
| EDC 457 Science Methods in Elementary and Middle School Teaching | 2 |  |
| EDC 458 Social Studies Methods in Elementary and Middle School Teaching | 2 |  |
| EDC 459 Supervised Elementary Methods Practicum 1 | 1 |  |
| Senior Year Semester 1 |  |  |
| EDC 402 The Education of Special Needs Students | 3 |  |
| EDC 452 Evaluation of Elementary and Middle School Students | 2 |  |
| EDC 455 Language Arts Methods in Elementary and Middle School Teaching | 2 |  |
| EDC 460 Supervised Methods Practicum II | 2 |  |
| Senior Year Semester 2 |  |  |
| EDC 484 Supervised Student Teaching | 12 |  |
| EDC 485 Seminar in Teaching (GE D1) | 3 |  |

## ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

Application consists of a test, at least a 2.50 GPA, submission of an application, a portfolio and interview. Candidates apply in January of their sophomore year. For further information on the application process:
http://web.uri.edu/education/admission/
Required Certification Tests must be taken and passed before program sem. 3 (fall senior year) and scores posted by ETS by September 1st. Those tests are: Elementary Education Multiple Subjects Exam: Reading and Language Arts (5002) 157; Mathematics (5003) 157; Social Studies (5004) 155; Science (5005) 159; PLT, grades K-6 (5622) 160; ML Praxis-by content. Information is available on http://web.uri.edu/education/student-resources/ - Teacher Certification and Testing.

To prepare for the PRAXIS II certification tests in English Language Arts, Mathematics, Science, and Socials Studies you may choose to take courses to advance your knowledge in these areas. Consider taking courses from the chart below as part of your 40 credits of general education. See your advisor for recommendations.

| Content Area | Courses |
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| English Language Arts | Additional literature, information <br> literacy, writing or communication <br> courses |
| Science, Technology, Engineering <br> and Mathematics (STEM) | Mathematics and Statistics, Computer <br> Science, Physical Science, Life Science, <br> Earth \& Space Science, and <br> Engineering, Technology, and <br> Applications of Science |
| Social and Behavioral Science and <br> Humanities | American History, Western <br> Civilization, Non-western history, <br> Geography, Anthropology, Economics, <br> Sociology, Political Science |

A second major or minor is recommended. All Elementary majors are encouraged to pursue a Middle Level or ESL extended certification. See an advisor in your second major/minor for advising. See your Elementary advisor for Middle Level and ESL advising.

| Course | Credits | Grade | Course | Credits | Credits |
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Note: The Middle Level and ESL extended certifications require additional course work including content area courses, education courses (EDC $400 \& 415$ ), practicum (EDC 331), and student teaching (EDC 484). See your Elementary Education advisor every semester before enrolling to check your progress.

