

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
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 (GE A2, B1) or HDF 200 Life Span Development I	3	
Course Requirements After Admission, Sequential Required: C or above in all courses; S in S/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
English Language Arts	Additional literature, information literacy, writing or communication courses
Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM)	Mathematics and Statistics, Computer Science, Physical Science, Life Science, Earth & Space Science, and Engineering, Technology, and Applications of Science
Social and Behavioral Science and Humanities	American History, Western Civilization, Non-western history, Geography, Anthropology, Economics, 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
Total					

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.