



Elementary Education

Bachelor of Arts

Information about the Major

The Elementary Education Program provides preparation for teaching in public school grades 2-6. Students are provided practical experience with children of different age levels and in different types of public school settings. After entering the Professional Program, students move through the Elementary Education program as a cohort, taking prescribed courses during sequenced semesters.



The UofSC Aiken School of Education puts the students first. The faculty want the best for our future, and they push us to new limits we never expected of ourselves.

-Darius Ross, Elementary Education Teacher and Teaching Fellow Graduate

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Course Requirement	Credit Hours	Semester	Grade	Attribute
ENGL A101 – Composition *	3			
ENGL A102-Composition & Literature *	3			
MATH A108 (or higher)-College Algebra *	3			
STAT A201-Elementary Statistics	3			
COMM A241 (or A201)-Public Speaking (or Interpersonal)	3			
Foreign Language I-FREN, GERM, SPAN-check placement *	4			
Foreign Language II-2 semesters of the same language required	4			
Life Science-BIOL	4			
Physical Science-CHEM or PHYS	4			
Earth/Space Science-GEOL or ASTR				
Social/Behavioral Science-PSYC, SOCY, GEOG, ECON, POLI	3			
Social/Behavioral Science-2 different areas required	3			
Humanities-ARTH, MUSC, THEA, PHIL, RELG, HONS, etc.	3			
POLI A201-American Nat'l Govt.	3			
English Literature-ENGL 280+	3			
US History-HIST A201, HIST A202	3			
History of Civilization- HIST A101 or HIST A102	3			

*must pass course with "C" or better

Course Requirements-Elementary Ed: 2022-2023

Name: _____ VIP ID: _____





Pre-Professional Course Requirement *	Cr Hr	Semester	Grade	Attribute
EDEL A225-PE & Health in Elementary Ed	3			
EDEX A200-Intro to Exceptional Learners	3			
EDFN A321-Dynamics of American Public Education	3			
EDPY A235-Intro to Educational Psychology	3			
EDPY A330-Lifespan Growth & Development	3			
EDRD A218 – Children's Lit	3			
EDUC A210-Clinical Observation & Analysis	1			
EDUC A245-Tehnology Integration	2			
EDUC A300-Math for ECE & Elem	3			
Professional Program Course Listing *	Cr Hr	Semester	Grade	Attributes
Junior Block				
EDEL A432-STEM in Elementary School	4			
EDEL A445-Classroom Assessment	3			
EDRD A422-Inst. Practices-Literary/Creative Arts	3			
EDRD A430-Foundations in Reading: Elem & SPeD	3			
Senior Block				
EDEL A431-Teaching Math in Elem	4			
EDEL A441-Classroom Management	3			
EDEL A443-Teaching Social Studies in Elem	4			
EDRD A421-Assessment of Reading in Elem	3			
EDRD A423-Content Area Reading and Writing	3			
Student Teaching				
EDEL A470-Internship	12			
EDEL A476-Senior Seminar	3			

Praxis Core _____ WPP: _____ Prof. Progr. App: _____
 Reading: _____ Writing Intensive (WI) _____ USCA Intern App: _____
 Writing: _____ SCDE CATS App: _____
 Math: _____ Fingerprinting _____

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It's the small pieces that make the big picture.

	FIRST YEAR	SECOND YEAR	THIRD YEAR	FOURTH YEAR
	ACADEMICS Work on your General Education courses. Consider taking your first pre-professional Education course such as EDUC A210 or EDFN A321. Review requirements for your scholarships, grants, and other financial aid such as GPA and credit hour minimums. Become familiar with the Center for Student Achievement resources such as personal tutoring, the Writing Center, and Math Lab. Start going to ICE events .	Continue taking General Education courses and begin loading up on pre-professional Education courses. Complete both Foreign Language courses this year. Keep working on ICE events —you should have at least 8 complete by the end of this year!	Finish remaining General Education and pre-professional Education courses in the first semester. Enroll in the Junior Block for the second semester. Turn in the Writing Proficiency Portfolio (WPP) or take ENGL A201 by the end of the year. Finish ICE Events by the end of this year!	Take your Senior Block in the first semester. Enroll in Senior Seminar and Internship in your last semester. Check with your advisor that you have completed all degree requirements before the last semester begins.
	COMMUNITY Attend Get on Board Day at the beginning of the semester to find clubs and organizations that you would be interested in joining—and join one! Join the Council for Exceptional Children (CEC) Become familiar with the Counseling Center and Student Health Center resources available to students.	Visit the Student Life Office to find out about Study Abroad opportunities. Consider completing the Leadership Certificate Program through the Student Life Office.	Take part in a research project with a faculty member. Present at a conference and UofSC Aiken Scholar Showcase . Feeling overwhelmed? Visit the Counseling Center in B&E 126 to get support and time management assistance.	Connect with the Alumni Office to stay involved after graduation. Build a network with alumni, faculty, staff, and classmates.
	SCHOOL OF EDUCATION Maintain a minimum 2.75 GPA to prepare for the Professional Program. See if you exempt the Praxis Core with your SAT or ACT score.	Consider applying for the SC Teachers Loan forgiveness program. Look into " add-on " options for your teaching certification.	Submit your Professional Program Application through the SoE website. Attend the Professional Program Induction Ceremony to get officially inducted to the program. Apply to Internship with UofSC Aiken and the SC Department of Education one year before your last semester.	Obtain at least a 3.0 GPA by the beginning of your last semester. Complete your contact information form during Senior Seminar. Complete your certification recommendation form during Senior Seminar.
	CAREER Visit Career Services to find Work Study jobs on campus or part time jobs off-campus.	Look out for emails from soe@usca.edu about Summer Counselor and camp jobs.	Make the most of your practicum placements by completing more than the required hours to gain experience in the classroom.	Take the Praxis Subject Assessment and Praxis Principles of Learning and Teaching (PLT) exams before certification. After your degree is posted, submit an official transcript to the SC Department of Education.