

ELEMENTARY EDUCATION, BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

The Elementary Education program meets the needs of today's children building on the common core of knowledge, performance, and dispositions needed for professional educators in elementary education. This program is designed for those individuals preparing to teach in grades K-6.

There are three stages in the Bachelor of Science Elementary Education Degree program. Teacher candidates begin the first stage by taking general education requirements and are introduced to basic concepts, theory and practices.

During the second stage teacher candidates complete general education requirements and take courses specifically designed to prepare them for the education profession. Admission requires a minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.70 on all college work attempted with no grade below "C" (including work from other colleges and universities).

During the third stage of the elementary program, teacher candidates are placed in an appropriate environment for their internship. Admission to this stage requires a minimum grade point average of 2.70 with no grade below "C" in all courses and a satisfactory score on the licensure exam as established by the Arkansas Department of Education. Teacher candidates should make application for admission to the internship for the spring semester by October 15, or the fall semester by March 15.

See the College of Education and Health (<https://catalog.atu.edu/undergraduate/programs/education-health/>) page for additional requirements.

Curriculum

The matrix below is a sample plan for all coursework required for this program.

Course	Title	Hours
Freshman		
Fall		
ENGL 1013	Composition I ¹	3
BIOL 1014	Introduction to Biological Science	4
MATH 1003	College Mathematics	3
COMM 2173	Business and Professional Speaking	3
EDFD 1001	Orientation to Teaching K-12	1
Hours		14
Spring		
ENGL 1023	Composition II ¹	3
HIST 1503	World History to 1500	3
Social Studies Course (History, Economics, and/or Geography)		3
PHSC 1013	Introduction to Physical Science	3
PHSC 1021	Physical Science Laboratory	1
POLS 2003	American Government	3
Hours		16
Sophomore		
Fall		
EDMD 3013		3
HIST 1903	Survey of American History	3
MATH 2033	Mathematical Concepts I	3
GEOL 1004	Essentials of Earth Science	4

ELED 2003	Education as a Profession	3
Hours		16
Spring		
ART 2123	Experiencing Art	3
MUS 2003	Survey of Music History	3
MATH 2043	Mathematical Concepts II	3
SPED 2023	Development and Characteristics of Diverse Learners	3
ELED 2113	Human Development and Learning Theories	3
Hours		15
Junior		
Fall		
MATH 3033	Methods of Teaching Elementary Mathematics	3
RDNG 3003	Teaching Literacy Foundations	3
SPED 3033	Foundations of Special Education	3
ELED 3123	Diagnosis and Assessment of Elementary Students	3
ELED 3133	Integrated Curriculum	3
Hours		15
Spring		
BIOL/PHSC 3243	Integrating the Three Dimensions of Science	3
HIST 2153	Introduction to Arkansas History	3
RDNG 3163	Content Area Literacy	3
SPED 3153	Planning, Instruction, and Assessment for Students with Exceptionalities	3
ELED 3143	Teaching Methods K-6 Social Studies	3
Hours		15
Senior		
Fall		
PHSC/BIOL 3253	Teaching Methods for STEM	3
RDNG 4003	Literacy Assessment and Intervention	3
ELED 4003	Residency A Seminar	3
ELED 4033	Classroom and Behavior Management	3
ELED 4903	Residency B Seminar	3
Hours		15
Spring		
RDNG 4013	Child and Adolescent Literature	3
ELED 4909	Residency B	9
PE 3593	Methods of Teaching Health and Physical Education for K-6 Teachers	3
Hours		15
Total Hours		121

¹ See appropriate alternatives or substitutions in "General Education Requirements (<https://catalog.atu.edu/undergraduate/general-education-requirements/>)".