

Elementary Education

Bachelor of Science in Education (BSED)

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The Elementary Education program of study prepares future teachers to work with students in elementary school settings. Elementary Education majors have multiple field-based courses where you will work in classrooms with 1st – 6th grade children. You also have the opportunity to participate in Tomorrow's Teachers Learning Community, where you can take courses and live in a residential hall with other education majors. The Elementary Education program prepares students to use and integrate instructional technology across our curriculum. Elementary Education majors are "tech ready" as beginning teachers, with both Google Educator and Apple Teacher certifications. Join our EDvolution of future educators!



Becoming Career Ready...

/ Students will be certified to teach grades 1 – 6 upon successful completion of this program and licensure exams.

/ Students integrate technology into the curriculum with the EDvolution one-to-one instructional technology program.

/ Students have the opportunity for student teaching abroad, including our partnership with Eagles College in Iquique, Chile.

/ Elementary Education majors have the opportunity to choose elective courses in areas of interest, such as autism, working with English language learners, special education or working with families.

/ BS Ed. students have opportunities for leadership in numerous student organizations.

/ Full-time faculty with experience in the classroom are the primary instructors of the curriculum for elementary education majors.

/ The state of Missouri has high expectations for future educators. Students must maintain a 3.0 GPA in professional education courses. In addition, students must pass the MO Content Exam and the MO Educator Evaluation System for recommendation for licensure. Students must also fulfill other assessments such as a dispositions profile and be cleared through an FBI background check.

/ 100% of Southeast programs offer a real-world experience. Elementary Education students experience this through multiple field experiences in local classrooms. In addition, there are student teaching opportunities abroad.

/ The path to a successful career starts with you! You can maximize your career development by working closely with Career Services and Southeast faculty – they are here to help you connect your passions, interests and skills to jobs and opportunities in the field. Career Services provides professional career counseling and coaching, resume critiques, practice interviews, job search strategies, career events, networking opportunities and more.

Transfer and Dual Credit Students

If you have dual credit or transfer credit, please visit our transfer course equivalencies guide at semo.edu/transfercredit.

Education Outlook

- Elementary Education was the second highest teacher shortage area in Missouri in 2019-2020 school year.
- Students secure teaching positions across the state of Missouri, in surrounding states, and beyond.
- Elementary Education graduates find jobs as first – sixth grade teachers in public or private schools.
- First year teachers report feeling well prepared by Southeast Missouri State University on our annual survey of first-year teachers.
- Principals also report elementary education graduates are well-prepared as beginning teachers.

Admission Requirements

- 42 credit hours completed
- One of the following: 1) Composite/Superscore of 20 or higher on the ACT exam; 2) Passing scores on all sections of the Missouri General Education Assessment (MoGEA); or 3) A 4-year degree from an accredited college/university
- The following course requirements met:
 - A grade of C or above in CF/PY120 The Child.
 - A grade of B or above in ED280 Introduction to Education as a Profession.

EDvolution

All students in Educator Preparation Programs must purchase an iPad for use during the program.

- Tech for You: become a better student with technology
- Tech for Us: learn how to teach with technology
- Tech for Them: use technology in your field experiences

Field and Clinical Experiences

Early – explore the role of educators before you commit to the degree

Mid-level- elementary education majors do three mid-level field experiences in a variety of grade levels in elementary school settings

Student Teaching- semester long, co-teaching capstone experience in an elementary classroom

Graduation Requirements

- GPA: 3.0 professional education
- Pass the following Missouri Content Assessments: **073-074 Elementary Education Multi-Content (English Language Arts, Social Studies, Science, Math)**
- Successfully complete all required course work and field experiences

Special Options with Elementary Education

This program of study is also available at the Regional Campuses (Kennett and Sikeston) and the Poplar Bluff Delivery Site.

Southeast offers a Master of Arts in Elementary Education.

NOTE: This program meets the educational requirements for professional licensure and/or certification in Missouri. Please consult our State Authorization webpage, to determine information specific to your state:
<https://app.semo.edu/genl/distancelearningcompliance/DistLearnComp.aspx>.



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This is a guide based on the 2021-2022 Undergraduate Bulletin and is subject to change. The time it takes to earn a degree will vary based on several factors such as dual enrollment, remediation, and summer enrollment. Students will meet with an academic advisor each semester and use Degree Works to monitor their individual progress.

Degree Map 2021-2022

CURRICULUM CHECKLIST

"Critical Courses" are italicized and bolded. Data shows that students who have completed this course in the first two years and have earned the noted grade are most likely to complete this program of study.

Elementary Education students must be admitted to the Educator Preparation Program prior to enrolling in upper division (300 level or above) education courses.

Professional Education Requirements:

A grade of 'C' or better is required in education courses. A grade of 'B' is required in ED 280.

- ___ BS 118 Intro Process Science Elem Teachers (1)
- ___ CF 233 Creative Thought & Expression in Children (3)
- ___ **ED 280 Introduction to Education as a Profession (3)**
- ___ ED 506 Education Law and Society (3)
- ___ EF 400 Student Teaching Seminar (1)
- ___ EL 274 Diversity in American Schools (3)
- ___ EL 300 Instructional & Assistive Technology in a Universally Designed Learning Environment (3)
- ___ EL 310 Pedagogy – Elementary Instructional Strategies / Models (3)
- ___ EL 314 Literacy Field Experience (3)
- ___ EL 316 Emergent and Early Literacy Instruction (3)
- ___ EL 317 Literacy Methods for Elementary Teachers (3)
- ___ EL 340 Classroom Management (3)
- ___ EL 350 Content Field Experience (3)
- ___ EL 354 Meeting the Needs of Struggling Readers (3)
- ___ EL 355 Content & Disciplinary Literacy (3)
- ___ EL 360 Integrated Math, Science, Social Sciences, Health Instruction (3)
- ___ EL 410 Differentiated Instruction (3)
- ___ EL 420 Assessment & Data Analysis (3)
- ___ EL 430 Advanced Field Experience (3)
- ___ EL 480 Elementary Education Student Teaching (12)
- ___ EN 140 Rhetoric & Critical Thinking (3)
- ___ EX 390 Psychology of the Exceptional Child (3)
- ___ LI 243 Children's Literature (3)
- ___ MA 128 Numbers and Operations for Educators (4)*
- ___ MA 228 Geometry & Measurements for Educators (4)
- ___ ***PY/CF 120 The Child: Development from Conception to Adolescence (3)***

Additional Requirements:

(These courses may also meet General Education requirements)

- ___ BS 218 Biological Science: A Process Approach (3)
- ___ EC 101 Economic Problems & Policies (3)
- ___ EN 100 English Composition I (3)
- ___ PH 218 Physical Science: A Process Approach (3)
- ___ PS 103 U.S. Political Systems (3)
- ___ SC 105 Fundamentals of Oral Communication (3)
- ___ UI 308 Physical/Cultural Landscapes of the World (3)
- ___ US 105 American History I (3)

Approved elective – Choose 9 hours:

Choose from the following areas, with advice of advisor – Art, Autism, Child & Family, Dance, English, Family Engagement, Fine Arts, Foreign Language, Inclusion, Math, Middle School certification, Music, Psychology, Science, Social Sciences, TESOL, Theatre

NOTE: All pre-education courses are pre-requisite to all professional education courses.

* Students who score less than 22 on the ACT math subscore must also take MA 018 lab.

General Education Requirements – some requirements may be fulfilled by coursework in major program

- Social and Behavioral Sciences – 6 hours
- Constitution Requirement – 3 hours
- Written Communication – 6 hours
- Oral Communication – 3 hours
- Natural Sciences – 7 hours (from two disciplines, one to include a lab)
- Mathematics – 3 hours
- Humanities & Fine Arts – 9 hours (from at least two disciplines)
- Additional requirements – 5 hours (to include UI100 for native students)
- Civics examination

NOTE: Students in the Elementary Education program may add on certification in one Middle School area: Language Arts, Math, Science, Social Sciences, grades five through nine.

SAMPLE FOUR-YEAR PLAN

	Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
	Course #	Hrs	Course #	Hrs
	UI100	1	BS 218	3
	EN100	3	ED 280	3
	BS 118	1	EN140	3
	MA 128	4	MA 228	4
	SC 105	3	<i>PY/CF 120</i>	3
	Total	12	Total	16
Milestone: Maintain 2.75 cumulative GPA				

SECOND YEAR	EC 101	3	CF 233	3
	PH 218	3	EL 274	3
	PS 103	3	LI 243	3
	UI 308	3	Approved Elective	3
	US 105	3	Approved Elective	3
	Elective	1	Approved Elective	3
	Total	16	Total	18
	Milestone: Maintain 2.75 cumulative GPA, Passing score MoGEA or ACT			

THIRD YEAR	Literacy Block		Content Block	
	EL 300	3	EL 310	3
	EL 314	3	EL 350	3
	EL 316	3	EL 355	3
	EL 317	3	EL 360	3
	EL 340	3	EX 390	3
	Total	15	Total	15
	Milestone: Maintain 2.75 cumulative GPA, 3.0 GPA in Ed courses			

FOURTH YEAR	Advanced Block		Student Teaching Block	
	ED 506	3	EF 400	1
	EL 354	3	EL 480	12
	EL 410	3		
	EL 420	3		
	EL 430	3		
Total	15	Total	13	
Milestone: Passing score MO Content Exams and MEEES; 2.75 cumulative GPA; 3.0 GPA in professional education courses.				

A "Milestone" signifies a significant stage for a student in the completion of a degree.

Degree requirements for all students: a minimum of 120 credit hours, completion of the General Education program, and completion of 39 senior division hours (300-599). Refer to the Undergraduate Bulletin or Degree Works for additional graduation requirements for your program.

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