

ELEMENTARY EDUCATION MAJOR (BS)

Department website (<https://www.uwp.edu/learn/programs/education-elementary.cfm>)

College: College of Social Sciences & Professional Studies

Requirements for the Elementary Education Major (105 Credits and 230 clinical hours)

The elementary education major is designed for UW-Parkside students who wish to teach at the elementary and/or middle school level. The completion of the major will lead to a Bachelor of Science degree with a major in Elementary Education. The core program, grounded in child development, learning in social and cultural contexts, curricular design, assessment and data driven decisions, and subject specific pedagogy, will prepare UW-Parkside student who successfully pass all program and licensure requirements to earn a license to teach children in grades K-9.

Changes to the Wisconsin Administrative Rule for teacher licensing, PI 34, have led to changes in licensure categories for the Elementary Education Major. The former Middle Childhood-Early Adolescence (MC-EA) pathway licenses teachers for grades 1-8, while the new licensure pathway, Elementary/Middle School, licenses teachers for grades K-9. Requirements within the major differ for these licensure pathways.

- All students who declare a major in Elementary Education beginning in the Fall 2021 semester will be admitted to the Elementary/Middle School (K-9) license pathway and must complete all requirements within the major for that license as indicated in this catalog.
- Students who declared a major in Elementary Education prior to Fall 2021 will be permitted to change their licensure pathway from MC-EA to Elementary/Middle School by updating their catalog year to the 2021-2023 catalog, with the understanding that doing so may delay their graduation date due to additional course requirements for the major.
- Students who declared a major in Elementary Education prior to Fall 2021 will be permitted to maintain the pre-2021 Elementary Education major and MC-EA licensure pathway, meeting requirements of their catalog year. These students should consult the academic catalog of their catalog year for details on MC-EA major and licensure requirements and clarify these requirements with the teacher education advisor.

Students who declared a major in Elementary Education prior to Fall 2021 who wish to change to the Elementary/Middle School license pathway must meet with the teacher education advisor and complete a new plan declaration and catalog change form.

Students who complete the Elementary Education major may apply to be certified to teach in grades K-9 through an Elementary/Middle School teaching license. Candidates may choose one of three license pathways as declared Elementary Education majors under this catalog year.

- Elementary/Middle School license pathway, where candidates graduate with a degree in Elementary Education and will be eligible for an elementary/middle school license if all licensure requirements are met;

- Dual license pathway, where candidates complete all coursework required for an additional license in either English as a Second Language (12 credits) or Special Education (17 credits), and will graduate with a degree in Elementary Education and will be eligible for an Elementary/Middle School license AND a license in either ESL or Special Education if all licensure requirements are met (see those sections of the catalog for specific license requirements);
- Non-licensure pathway, where candidates complete all Elementary Education degree requirements with the exception of EDU 420: Residency Seminar and EDU 425: Residency, and will graduate with a degree in Elementary Education, but will not be eligible for licensure.

Candidates who declare the Elementary Education major for this catalog year but do not pursue licensure must complete all Elementary Education major course requirements, with the exception of EDU 420: Residency Seminar and EDU 425: Residency. Candidates must also complete additional content coursework from an approved list to total 120 degree credits. Candidates will graduate with a degree in Elementary Education, but will not be eligible for licensure. Candidates choosing this pathway must meet with the teacher education advisor to ensure that all degree requirements are met.

Recommended General Education Courses

The teacher education program is committed to supporting the liberal arts education at UW-Parkside through the general education program. The teacher education program recommends the following courses that meet both the university general education requirements as well as content knowledge policy requirements. Students should consult with the teacher education advisor each semester to ensure that they understand and are meeting requirements of the program's content knowledge policy.

Code	Title	Credits
Humanities and the Arts		
ENGL 167	Introduction to Literature	3
SPCH 105	Public Speaking	3
Choose any two courses from the Humanities and the Arts general education list		6
Humanities and the Arts Subtotal		12
Social and Behavioral Science		
HIST 101	The United States: Origins to Reconstruction	3
or HIST 102	The United States: Reconstruction to Recent Times	
HIST 119	Western Civilization II: The Middle Ages to 1815	3
or HIST 128	World History III: From 1800 to the Present	
Select one of the following:		3
GEOG 101	Geography of American Ethnicity and Race	
GEOG 105	Contemporary Human Geography	
GEOG 110	Introduction to Geography: World Regions	
Select one of the following:		3
ECON 101	The American Economy	
POLS 100	American Politics	
POLS 105	Introduction to Politics	
SOCA 101	Introduction to Sociology	
Social and Behavioral Science Subtotal		12
Natural and Health Sciences		
Select one of the following:		3-4
BIOS 100	Nature of Life	
BIOS 101	Bioscience	
BIOS 103	Human Biology	

Select one of the following:	3-4
GEOG 100 Physical Geography and the Environment	
GEOS 100 Earth in Perspective	
PHYS 110 Introduction to Astronomy	
PHYS 120 Astronomy of Native America	

Select one of the following:	3-4
CHEM 100 The World of Chemistry	
CHEM 101 General Chemistry I	
PHYS 101 Principles of Physics	

Choose one course from the Natural Sciences general education list to complete the required 12 credits (if needed) 3-4

Natural and Health Sciences Subtotal	12-16
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Total Credits 36-40

Required Major Courses

Code	Title	Credits
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Pre-Professional Sequence

EDU 100	Introduction to the Teaching Profession	1
EDU 200	Teaching the Whole Child	1
EDU 210	Exploring Equity In Education	1
EDU 211	Child and Adolescent Development	3
EDU 212	Mathematics for Elementary and Middle School Teachers I	3
EDU 215	Mathematics for Elementary and Middle School Teachers II	5

Pre-Professional Sequence Subtotal	14
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Developing Expertise Sequence

EDU 300	Creating Effective Learning Environments	1
EDU 304	Context and Culture In Learning Environments	3
EDU 310	Family, School, and Community Partnerships	1
EDU 312	Designing Learning Curriculum	2
EDU 322	Teaching Exceptional Learners	3
EDU 325	Introduction to Second Language Acquisition	3
EDU 332	Foundations of Literacy	2
EDU 333	Children's and Adolescent Literature and New Literacies	3

EDU 335	ESL Methods	3
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EDU 343	Classroom Management	2
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MUSE 303	Interdisciplinary Teaching and Learning	2
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Developing Expertise Sequence Subtotal	25
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Demonstrating Expertise in Practice Sequence

EDU 430	Using Action Research to Improve Instruction	2
EDU 431	Teaching Developmental Mathematics, Grades K-3	3
EDU 432	Teaching Developmental Literacy, Grades K-3	3
EDU 433	Teaching Developmental Science, Grades K-9	3
EDU 434	Teaching Developmental Movement and Health Education, Grades K-9	2

EDU 440	Teacher Preparation Portfolio Design	2
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EDU 442	Teaching Developmental Mathematics, Grades 3-9	3
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EDU 443	Teaching Developmental Literacy, Grades 3-9	3
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EDU 444	Teaching Developmental Social Studies, Grades K-9	2
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Demonstrating Expertise in Practice Sequence Subtotal	23
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The Residency

EDU 420	Residency Seminar	2
EDU 425	Residency (Student Teaching)	10
The Residency Subtotal		12

Total Credits 74

General University Degree Requirements (Bachelor's Degree)

In addition to individual program requirements, students must also fulfill the following requirements:

Requirement	Credits
Skills	7-8
General Education	36
Foreign Language**	6-8
Ethnic Diversity	3
Total	52-55

** Transfer students in sustainable management, and health information management and technology collaborative, online degree-completion programs, the business management online degree-completion program, and the flexible option degree-completion program will be exempt from the university's foreign language requirement. See appropriate academic section for further information.

Skills Requirement (<https://catalog.uwp.edu/policies/#skills>)

Code	Title	Credits
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Reading and Writing

ENGL 101	Composition and Reading	3
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Computational Skills

Select one of the following:	4-5
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MATH 102	Survey of Mathematics	
MATH 103	Elementary Statistics	
MATH 104	Quantitative Reasoning	
MATH 111	College Algebra I	

Total Credits 7-8

General Education (<https://catalog.uwp.edu/policies/#general>)

- General Education Course List (<https://catalog.uwp.edu/programs/general-education-program/#coursestext>)

Foreign Language (<https://catalog.uwp.edu/policies/#language>)

Ethnic Diversity (<https://catalog.uwp.edu/policies/#ethnic>)

Degree Requirements

Requirement	Credits
Minimum Total Credits	120
Upper Level Credits (300 level or above)	36
Residency	30 of final 60

Cumulative Degree GPA: 2.0 minimum