Comprehensive Science and Arts for Teaching Major Combined with the Education Major and Spanish Minor
Year by Year Program Overview

This program leading to certification reflects Grand Valley State University’s belief in the importance of field experience. Our elementary teacher candidates have accumulated over 600 hours in clinical settings by the time they complete their degree/certification requirements. The four-year sequence outlined here indicates the earliest point at which requirements are typically fulfilled. Transfer students may enter at appropriate steps. To schedule an advising appointment, students should contact the Major Department to discuss requirements for the degree, the major and the minor. They should contact the Student Information and Services Center* to discuss requirements for: College of Education admission, the professional program and teacher certification.

First Year
- General Education Requirements
- Selection of Majors (including education)/ Minor
- Selection of Certification Level
- Advising Appointment with CLAS Advising Center

Include:
1. PSY 101 Introduction Psychology
2. Begin working on Spanish minor

Second Year
- General Education Requirements
- Satisfactory Progress in Major and Minor
- Passing scores on Michigan Professional Readiness Exam or Alternative ACT/MME scores
- Sign Declaration of Intent in EDF 315

- Meet with College of Education Major Advisor, then
- Apply to Undergraduate Teacher Education (By Feb. 1st for Fall admission)
- Satisfactory progress in Education Major Prerequisites

Include:
1. EDF 315 Diverse Perspectives in Ed
2. EDI 337 Introduction to Learning and Assessment
3. PSY 301 Child Development
4. MTH 221 and MTH 222; or MTH 223, (Math for Elementary Teachers)

- Please note that EDS 378 is a Flex Course. It can be taken before OR after admission to the COE. It must be completed before Student Teaching.

Third Year
- Completion of General Education Requirements
- Continued Progress in CSAT Major and Spanish Minor coursework
- Meet with College of Education Major Advisor, then
- Apply to Undergraduate Teacher Education (By Feb. 1st for Fall admission & Sept. 15 for Winter)
- Completion of Education Major Prerequisites.

Include:
1. ENG 308 Teaching Reading: The necessary skills
2. Finishing up CSAT Major requirements
3. Finishing up Spanish Minor

STUDY ABROAD RECOMMENDED IN 3RD YEAR

Include:
1. Teacher Assisting (see opposite side of this sheet for program details)
2. EDR 320 Reading: Assessment and Instruction
3. EDF 310 Organizing and Managing Classroom Environments
4. EDT 370 Technology in Education
5. Student Teaching (see opposite side of this sheet for program details)
6. EDF 485 Context of Ed Issues

* The College of Education’s Student Information and Services Center is located in 401C DeVos Center
Please contact us at 616.331.6650 to schedule an advising appointment.

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(K-8 in a Self-Contained Classroom)  
Sequence of Course Requirements Leading to Certification

Program Outline  
(Pre – College of Education Admission)

1. **Major: Comprehensive Science and Arts for Teaching (CSAT)** - 2.70 GPA Requirement
   - ENG 302  SCI 225  MAT 300  PSY 301
   - ENG 308  SCI 226  PED 265  SAT 495 (Capstone)
   - ENG 400  SST 309  PED 266  HIS 203, 204, 205, or 206
   - SPA 314 or ENG 467  MTH 221+222  (Please choose 1 HIS course)
   - or MTH 223

2. **Spanish Minor: 2.70 GPA Requirement**
   - ___ SPA 321
   - ___ SPA 322
   - ___ SPA Civilization and Culture Course  ___ SPA 335
     (one of SPA 310, 311, or 312)  ___ SPA 395
   - ___ SPA Civilization and Culture Course  ___ SPA Elective
     (one of SPA 310, 311, or 312)  (one of SPA 313, 329, 331, or 332)

*Spanish minors interested in teacher certification with the CSAT major are strongly encouraged to study abroad for at least one semester (12-15 credits at the 300-level) in a Spanish-language study abroad program.

3. **Education Major Prerequisites:** 2.70 & no grade lower than “C”
   - EDF 315 Diverse Perspectives in Education  
     (Prerequisite: Completion of 24 credit hours)
   - EDI 337 Introduction to Learning and Assessment  
     (Prerequisite: Successful completion of EDF 315 or taken concurrently)
   - PSY 301 Child Development  
     (Prerequisite: PSY 101)
   - *EDS 378 Universal Design for Learning: Elementary  
     *(Flex Course – This course is taken before OR after admission to the COE. It must be completed before Student Teaching and must earn B- or better).

4. **GVSU Overall GPA Requirement= 2.70**
5. **Students will also successfully complete Michigan Professional Readiness Examination**

Post – College of Education Admission

**Teacher Assisting**
- EDI 330 Methods and Strategies of Elementary Teaching
- EDR 320 Reading: Assessment and Instruction
- EDF 310 Organizing and Managing Classroom Environments
- **EDT 370 Technology in Education**
- **EDS 378 Universal Design for Learning: Elementary**  
  i. (Flex Course – EDS 378 can be taken before OR after admission to the COE. It must be completed before Student Teaching and must earn B- or better).

**Student Teaching**
- EDI 430 Elementary Student Teaching
- ***EDF 485 Context of Educational Issues**
- CPR (Adult & Child) and First Aid (Basic or Standard) Instruction

**Certification**
Recommendation for certification will take place upon successful completion of the appropriate MTTC subject area test(s)

**Oral Proficiency Interview (OPI) must be passed prior to student teaching.**

***EDF 485 may be taken after Student Teaching, but is required for Certification***

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