

ELEMENTARY TEACHER CERTIFICATION FOR GRADES PK-6

AND K-12 SPECIAL EDUCATION

(PEDAGOGICAL CONTENT KNOWLEDGE FOR ELEMENTARY TEACHING MAJOR WITH REQUIRED SECOND MAJOR IN SPECIAL EDUCATION) BACHELOR OF SCIENCE OR BACHELOR OF ARTS

THIS IS A **GENERAL** CURRICULUM GUIDE AND IS NOT APPLICABLE TO EVERY STUDENT. IT IS IMPORTANT TO MEET WITH YOUR ADVISORS.

Year One			
*MTH 126 Math for Elementary Teachers OR STA 126 Statistics for Elementary Teachers CAN DO BOTH MTH AND STA CONCURRENTLY *1* Foundation- Writing (WRT 130 or 150) PSY 101 Introductory Psychology 4EDF 115 Intro to Education: An Exploration of Schooling in America 4HST 209 History and Social Studies for Elem Teachers	2	*STA 126 Statistics for Elementary Teachers OR MTH 126 Math for Elementary Teachers CAN DO BOTH MTH AND STA CONCURRENTLY	2
	3/4	*WRT 130 (if WRT 120 taken in Fall) OR	3
	3	2PSY 301 Child Development (or take Summer)	3
	3	EDF 215 Introduction to Philosophies of Early Childhood	3
	3	*ENG 201 Foundations of Literacy Instruction SCI 225 Integrated Life Science for PK – 3 Teachers	4
<i>Total</i>	14/15	<i>Total</i>	15
Year Two			
*ENG 301 Reading and Writing in the Elem. Classroom EDF 315 Diverse Perspectives on Education HPE 267 Health/Movement Ed for Elementary Teachers PSY 304 The Psychology and Education of the Exceptional Child *MTH 226 Mathematics for PK – 6: Whole Numbers and Operations	3	PSY 310 Behavior Modification	3
	3	*EDR 320 Language & Literacy: Development, Assessment & Instruction	3
	3	EDS 205 Special Education Policies, Procedures, and Professional Practice (or take Summer Year Two)	3
	3	SCI 226 Integrated Physical Science for PK – 3 Teachers	3
	3	*MTH 326 Math for PK – 6: Fractions, Decimals and Proportional Reasoning	3
<i>Total</i>	15	<i>Total</i>	15
Spring/Summer		MUS 128 Strum and Drum for Everyone OR ART 231 Integrating Visual Arts Across Disciplines	3
Year Three Will find out order of Internships during Apprenticeship Semester			
PSY 225 Educational Psychology *ENG 355 Teaching English Learners PK – 6 EDI 312 Child Guidance SST 308 Teaching Elementary Social Studies: Grades PK-3 MTH 328 Early Childhood Mathematics SCI 227 Integrated Life and Earth Science for 3-6 Teachers Apply for Apprenticeship	3	Special Education Apprenticeship (has to be Winter)	
	3	3EDS 305 Special Education Research, Assessment, & Data-based Decision Making	3
	3	EDS 306 Instructional Methods and Inclusive Practices for Students with Disabilities	3
	3	4EDS 332 Methods & Strategies of Special Education Teaching	6
	3	EDS 406 Positive Behavioral Interventions and Supports in Special Education	3
<i>Total</i>	18	<i>Total</i>	15
Spring/Summer		PSY 540 Introduction to Autism Spectrum Disorder (required for ASD endorsement ONLY)	3
Year Four			
3EDS 405 Teaching Language and Reading to Students with Disabilities ENG 401 Languages, Literacies and Cultures EDT 476 Teaching with Technology SST 309 Teaching Elementary Social Studies: Grades 3-6 <i>Take TWO-choice must align w/ chosen endorsement areas</i> Autism Spectrum Disorder Emphasis EDS 414 Language & Communication Practices for Students w/ ASD AND/OR Cognitive Impairment Emphasis PSY 326 Intellectual/Developmental Disabilities AND/OR Continued on second page	3	4EDI 430 Elementary Internship PK – 6	10
	3	EDF 495 Capstone: Reflective Inquiry and Practice	3
	3	MTH 428 Teaching Math in the Elementary Grades	1
	3	Note- Order of final three Internship semesters may vary. Students will find out during Apprenticeship semester.	
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Emotional Impairment Emphasis EDS 419 Introduction to Teaching Students w/ an EI AND/OR	3		
Specific Learning Disability Emphasis EDS 422 Introduction to Teaching Students w/ SLD	3		
<i>Total</i>	18	<i>Total</i>	14/3
Year Five			
<i>Take 1st endorsement emphasis three course sequence from below</i>		<i>Take 2nd endorsement emphasis three course sequence from below</i>	
Autism Spectrum Disorder Emphasis		Autism Spectrum Disorder Emphasis	
EDS 415 Instructional Practices for Students w/ ASD	3	EDS 415 Instructional Practices for Students w/ ASD PSY	3
PSY 542 Behavior Support for Students w/ ASD	3	542 Behavior Support for Students w/ ASD	3
⁴ EDS 474 Directed Teaching in ASD (<i>capstone</i>) OR	7	⁴ EDS 474 Directed Teaching in ASD (<i>capstone</i>) OR	7
Cognitive Impairment Emphasis		Cognitive Impairment Emphasis	
EDS 417 Introduction to Teaching Students w/ a CI	3	EDS 417 Introduction to Teaching Students w/ a CI	3
EDS 418 Instructional Practices for Students w/ a CI	3	EDS 418 Instructional Practices for Students w/ a CI	3
⁴ EDS 471 Directed Teaching in CI (<i>capstone</i>) OR	7	⁴ EDS 471 Directed Teaching in CI (<i>capstone</i>) OR	7
Emotional Impairment Emphasis		Emotional Impairment Emphasis	
EDS 420 Instructional Practices for Students w/ an EI	3	EDS 420 Instructional Practices for Students w/ an EI	3
EDS 421 Curriculum Implementation for Students w/ an EI	3	EDS 421 Curriculum Implementation for Students w/ an EI	3
⁴ EDS 472 Directed Teaching in EI (<i>capstone</i>) OR	7	⁴ EDS 472 Directed Teaching in EI (<i>capstone</i>) OR	7
Specific Learning Disability Emphasis		Specific Learning Disability Emphasis	
EDS 423 Instructional Practices for Students w/ SLD 1	3	EDS 423 Instructional Practices for Students w/ SLD 1	3
EDS 424 Instructional Practices for Students w/ SLD 2	3	EDS 424 Instructional Practices for Students w/ SLD 2	3
⁴ EDS 473 Directed Teaching in SLD (<i>capstone</i>)	7	⁴ EDS 473 Directed Teaching in SLD (<i>capstone</i>)	7
<i>Total</i>	13	<i>Total</i>	13

The block tuition rate is 12-15 credits. You will pay additional tuition for any credits over 15.

1 Students who self-place into WRT 120 take this course in the fall semester and then take WRT 130 in the winter semester of their first year. Students who self-place into WRT 150 should take the course in the fall semester. Students with AP/Dual Enrollment credit for WRT 150 have fulfilled this requirement. A grade of C or better is required in WRT 130 or 150 in order to satisfy the WRT requirement at GVSU.

2 Students who opt for the WRT 120/130 stretch writing sequence should plan to take PSY 301 during the spring/summer semester between first and second year of the program. Students must complete a total of two courses with an SWS attribute.

³ Clinical field experience courses require an application and prior approval

⁴ Honors College students should consult with their Honors and CLAS Advisor. ** HNR 201 will cover HST 209, EDF 115 will cover HNR 300

5 Classes with an asterisk * and that are underlined should be taken in the suggested semester in order to stay on track for Apprenticeship in the third year Winter semester.

Degree Requirements

PCKET PK – 6 students can pursue a Bachelor of Arts or Bachelor of Science degree. Students who wish to obtain a BA must fulfill 3rd semester proficiency in a foreign language (201 level). The BS requirements are incorporated into the major requirements.

General Education Overlap

General Education Categories fulfilled by the Special Education/PCKET Majors:	
Arts: ART 231 or MUS 128	Historical Perspectives: HST 209
Mathematical Sciences: MTH 126 + STA 126	Philosophy and Literature: EDF 215
Life Sciences with Lab: SCI 225	Physical Sciences with Lab: SCI 226
Social and Behavioral Sciences: PSY 101	Social and Behavioral Sciences: EDF 115
U.S. Diversity: EDF 315	Global Perspectives: ENG 355
Issues 1: EDI 312	Issues 2: EDT 476
SWS 1: EDS 305	SWS 2: EDS 405

-To be certified to teach K – 12 special education teacher candidates must complete the PCKET major (except PCK 495) and the K – 12 special education major including TWO endorsement area emphases.

-It is imperative to meet with your faculty advisors and an advisor in the CLAS Academic Advising Center regularly. The CLAS Academic Advising Center is located in C-1-140 MAK, 616-331-8585. Online at: <http://www.gvsu.edu/clasadvising>

-Admission requirements for Teacher Apprenticeship and Student Teaching Internship experiences can be found at <https://www.gvsu.edu/education/undergraduate/apply-for-field-placement-4.htm>. If you have any questions about the clinical experience applications, please contact the Office of Certification and Accreditation at (616) 331-6650 or email oca@gvsu.edu.

Major Declaration Process:

1. Declare the desired PCKET major
2. Declare the second K-12 special education major