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## Program Sequencing Guide & Academic Plan

Elementary Education Bachelor of Science Major (120 credit hours minimum)

Teacher Education Course Work (59 credit hours)

General Education + Degree Requirements (51 credit hours)

Optional Minor or "Pathway" (12 to 18 credit hours)

**Requirements for Teacher Education Admission:** Grade of "C" or higher required in each course

Year	Course	Course Title	Credits	Requisites/Notes Accomplished	Semester Offered
Freshman	EDUC 300	Foundations of American Education	3		FA/SP/SU
Sophomore- Fall	*Req. for ELED*	EXED 200	Foundations of Exceptional Education	3	FA/SP/SU
Freshman	<b>Start application</b> to teacher education ( <a href="https://www.jmu.edu/coe/esc/admission-licensure.shtml">https://www.jmu.edu/coe/esc/admission-licensure.shtml</a> )				
Sophomore	Take/pass prior to <b>October 31</b>				
	<b>VCLA Reading &amp; Writing</b> (composite score of 470)				
	<b>Praxis Core Math</b> (score of 150) or ACT Math score of 22 or SAT Math score of 560				
	Purchase TK20 by end of fall semester.				
Plan minor or additional courses must have a minimum of 120 credit hours for graduation.					
Get fully accepted into teacher education - complete requirements (must be fully accepted by registration junior year).					
Junior	In the fall, finish any of your General Education courses				
	Apply for student teaching by <b>October 31<sup>st</sup></b> <a href="https://www.jmu.edu/coe/esc/fieldexperience.shtml">https://www.jmu.edu/coe/esc/fieldexperience.shtml</a>				
	Fall Student Teaching: Block 2: upper grades				
	Spring Student Teaching: Block 4: lower grades				
In the spring, finish additional courses, pathway, or minor courses.					
Take/pass <b>Praxis Elem. Edu.: Multiple Subjects</b> (all 4 sub-tests) <b>last day of February</b> retest by March 31 <sup>st</sup> . Reading & L.A (score of 157); Mathematics (score of 157); Social Studies (score of 155) Science (score of 159)					
Take/pass the Reading for Virginia Educators ( <b>RVE</b> ) after LED 300 & LED 350 (score of 157).					
Senior	<b>Apply</b> for undergraduate graduation (see <a href="http://www.jmu.edu/commencement">www.jmu.edu/commencement</a> for forms and deadlines)				
	Application goes live <b>Oct. 15</b> , due no later than <b>March 1<sup>st</sup></b> (Tip: complete over winter break)				
	<b>Apply</b> for Virginia Teaching License by working with the Education Support Center (ESC).				

Course	Course Title	Credits	Course	Course Title	Credits
<b>FIRST YEAR or TRANSFER Required Course Sequence</b>					
Complete 30 credit hours <b>first year</b> of the courses listed below in any combination: <a href="https://www.jmu.edu/1st-semester/wm_library/ELED.html">https://www.jmu.edu/1st-semester/wm_library/ELED.html</a>					
Cluster 1 Critical Thinking, Cluster 1 SCOM, EDUC 300, PSYC 160, WRTC 103, MATH 110, EXED 200, HIST 101 or 102					
<b>Fall Course Sequence 20--</b>			<b>Spring Course Sequence 20--</b>		

**Elementary of Education Requirements:** Minimum overall GPA 2.5 or higher required in all courses unless indicated.

Course	Course Title	Credits	Course	Course Title	Credits
<b>SOPHOMORE YEAR: FALL GROUP</b>			<b>SOPHOMORE YEAR: SPRING GROUP</b>		
Options: MATH 210, Cluster 2 Lit., Cluster 3 ISCLs, Cluster 4 HIST225 or POSC225, etc.			Options: MATH 210, Cluster 2 Lit., Cluster 3 ISCLs, Cluster 4 HIST225 or POSC225, etc.		
<b>Fall Course Sequence 20--</b>			<b>Fall Course Sequence 20--</b>		
ELED 208	Child Deve.: Birth to Adolescence	3	GenEd		
ELED 272	Intro. to Early and Elem. Ed.	3	GenEd		
ELED 310	Diversity, Equity, and Justice in ELED	3	GenEd		
GenEd			GenEd		
GenEd			GenEd		
<b>Spring Course Sequence 20--</b>			<b>Spring Course Sequence 20--</b>		
GenEd			ELED 208	Child Deve.: Birth to Adolescence	3
GenEd			ELED 272	Intro. to Early and Elem. Ed.	3
GenEd			ELED 310	Diversity, Equity, and Justice in ELED	3
GenEd			GenEd		
GenEd or	Minor courses		GenEd or	Minor courses	
Summer	Or Maymester if needed		Summer	Or Maymester If needed	
<b>JUNIOR YEAR: FALL GROUP</b>			<b>JUNIOR YEAR: SPRING GROUP</b>		
Options: Cluster 2 Lit., Cluster 3 ISCLs, Cluster 4 Amer. Exp., etc.			Options: Cluster 2 Lit., Cluster 3 ISCLs, Cluster 4 Amer. Exp., etc.		
<b>Fall Course Sequence 20--</b>			<b>Fall Course Sequence 20--</b>		
ELED 321	Practicum: Focus on Learners & Learning	1	ELED 321	Practicum: Focus on Learners and Learning	1
ELED 333	Children and Mathematics I	3	ELED 333	Children and Mathematics I	3
ELED 332	Children and Science	3	ELED 334	Children & Social Studies	3
LED 350	Writing Inst & Asst. for Div. Learners PK-6	3	LED 300	Reading Inst. & Asst. for Div. Learners PK-6	3
GenEd or	Minor courses		GenEd or	Minor courses	
GenEd or	Minor courses		GenEd or	Minor courses	
<b>Spring Course Sequence 20?</b>			<b>Spring Course Sequence 20--</b>		
ELED 322	Practicum: Focus on Curr. Int. & Guid. Behav.	1	ELED 322	Practicum: Focus on Curr. Int. & Guiding Behavior	1
ELED 343	Children and Math II	3	ELED 343	Children and Math II	3
ELED 334	Children & Social Studies	3	ELED 332	Children and Science	3
LED 300	Reading Inst. & Asst. for Div. Learners PK-6	3	LED 350	Writing Inst & Asst. for Div. Learners PK-6	3
GenEd or	Minor courses		GenEd or	Minor courses	
GenEd or	Minor courses		GenEd or	Minor courses	
Summer	Or Maymester if needed		Summer	Or Maymester if needed	
<b>SENIOR YEAR: FALL GROUP</b>			<b>SENIOR YEAR: SPRING GROUP</b>		
<b>Fall Course Sequence 20--</b>			<b>Fall Course Sequence 20--</b>		
ELED 400	Final Practicum	1	ELED 400	Final Practicum	1
ELED 480	Student Teaching in Elem. Ed	5	ELED 480	Student Teaching in Elem. Ed	5
ELED 455	Home, School, Comm.	3	ELED 450	Planning Instr. & Asst.	3
ELED 485	Guiding Student Behavior	3	LED 462	Literacy Across the Curriculum	3
<b>Spring Course Sequence 20--</b>			<b>Spring Course Sequence 20--</b>		
ELED 400	Final Practicum	1	ELED 400	Final Practicum	1
ELED 480	Student Teaching in Elem. Ed.	5	ELED 480	Student Teaching in Elem. Ed	5
ELED 450	Planning Instr. & Asst.	3	ELED 455	Home, School, Comm.	3
LED 462	Literacy Across the Curriculum	3	ELED 485	Guiding Student Behavior	3

There are certain courses in each cluster you must take for you to have your content for ELED licensure. Please use the table below help you choose your GenEd courses. GenEd courses may be taken at other schools and transferred, but please be aware of JMU's transfer policy and also check the JMU register website <https://www.jmu.edu/registrar/>

Requirement	Course Number	Course Name	Credits	Requisites/Notes Completed	Semester Offered
<b>CLUSTER 1 (9 credit hours)</b>			Must complete during first year at JMU.		
<b>Critical Thinking</b>	BUS 160	Business Decision Making in a Mod. Soc.	3	<b>Choose 1</b>	FA/SP/SU
	HIST 150	Critical Issues in Recent Global History	3		FA/SP/SU
	ISAT 160	Prob. Sol. Approaches in Science & Tech	3		FA/SP/SU
	SMAD 150	Mediated Comm.: Issues and Skills	3		FA/SP
	PHIL 120	Critical Thinking	3		FA/SP
	PHIL 150	Ethical Reasoning	3		FA/SP
<b>Writing</b>	WRTC 103	Rhetorical Reading and Writing	3	teacher ed. adm.	FA/SP/SU
<b>Human Communications</b>	SCOM 121 or	Presentations or	3	<b>Choose 1</b>	FA/SP/SU
	SCOM 122 or	Individual Presentations or			
	SCOM 123	Group Presentations			
<b>Info. Lit. Competency</b>	MREST	Madison Research Essentials Skills Test	must pass prior Fri. before spring break		
<b>CLUSTER 2 (9 credit hours)</b>					
<b>Literature</b>	ENG 221 or ENG 222	Lit/Culture/Ideas or Genre(s)	3	<b>Choose 1</b>	FA/SP/SU
	ENG 235 or ENG 236	Survey of English Lit: Beowulf to 18 <sup>th</sup> or 18 <sup>th</sup> to Modern	3		FA/SP/SU
	ENG 247 or ENG 248	Survey of Am. Lit.: Beg. to Civil War or Civil War to Modern	3		FA/SP/SU
	ENG 239	Studies in World Literature	3		FA/SP/SU
	ENG 260	Survey of African-American Lit.	3		FA/SP
	<b>Human Questions &amp; Contexts</b>	HIST 101 or	World History to 1500	3	<b>Choose 1</b>
HIST 102		World History since 1500	3	FA/SP/SU	
<b>Visual and Performing Arts</b>	ART 200	Art in General Culture	3	<b>Choose 1</b>	FA/SP
	ARTH 205	Survey of World Art I: Prehist. to Ren.	3		FA/SP/SU
	ARTH 206	Survey of World Art II: Ren. to Modern	3		FA/SP/SU
	MUS 200	Music in General Culture	3		FA/SP/SU
	MUS 203	Music in America	3		FA/SP
	MUS 206	Introduction to Global Music	3		FA/SP
THEA 210	Introduction to Theatre	3	FA/SU		
<b>CLUSTER 3 (These fulfill Cluster 3 requirements)</b>					
<b>Quantitative Reasoning</b>	MATH 110	Mathematics for Elem. & M.S. Teachers I	4	"C-" or better	FA/SP/SU
	MATH 210	Mathematics for Elem. & M.S. Teachers II	4	MATH 110 "C-" or better	FA/SP/SU
<b>Natural Systems</b>	ISCI 171	Earth & Planetary Science for Teachers	3		FA/SP/SU
<b>Physical Principles</b>	ISCI 172	Physical Science for Teachers	3		FA/SP/SU
<b>Lab Experience</b>	ISCI 173	Life & Enviro. Science for Teachers	3		FA/SP/SU
<b>CLUSTER 4 (7 credit hours)</b>					
<b>American Experience</b>	HIST 225 or POSC 225	U.S. History or U.S. Government	4	<b>Choose 1</b>	FA/SP/SU
<b>Global Experience</b>	ANTH 195 or GEOG 200	Cultural Anthropology or Geography: The Global Dimension	3	<b>Choose 1</b>	FA/SP/SU
<b>CLUSTER 5 (6 credit hours)</b>					
<b>Wellness Domain</b>	HTH 100 or KIN 100	Personal Wellness or Lifetime Fitness & Wellness	3	<b>Choose 1</b>	FA/SP/SU
<b>Sociocultural Domain</b>	PSYC 160	Life Span Human Development	3		FA/SP/SU
<b>UNIVERSITY UNDERGRADUATE DEGREE REQUIREMENTS (6 credit hours)</b>					
<b>Scientific Literacy</b>	(course needs to be approved by advisor)		3		
<b>Quantitative Competency</b>	Satisfied with Math A and/or B		satisfied		

### **General Education Transfer Policies**

The following restrictions apply only to current JMU students wishing to transfer courses to meet general education requirements:

- Students will be allowed to transfer in no more than **three** courses for general education credit
- No more than one transferred course may be applied to any one cluster
- Full transfer credit will NOT be awarded for course offerings in Cluster Four, American Experience (HIST 225 and POSC 225).