

Elementary (K-6) Teacher Licensure Program

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Requirement Checklist for Undergraduate Students

Name: _____
 Student ID: _____
 Major: _____

Evaluator: _____
 Date: _____

Section 1: Content Requirements

The requirements below reflect the content knowledge all candidates will be accountable for as elementary school teachers. The requirements have been aligned with the Arts & Sciences Core such that a student may complete requirements for their degree and the teaching license concurrently. It is *not* required that all content requirements be completed in order to apply, and begin the teacher licensure program. However, all requirements must be satisfied *prior* to the student teaching semester. In order to fulfill a requirement below, the course must be: a) Completed for a grade (no Pass/Fail); b) Completed with a grade of "C-" or higher.

Advanced Placement (AP), International Baccalaureate (IB), and transfer credit may be applied towards the content requirements. However, this is dependent upon how the university awards equivalency for these credits. Major exemptions to the Arts & Sciences Core Requirements might not apply the Teacher Education Program. Contact an education advisor with questions.

All applicants to the teacher licensure program will be evaluated against the requirements below. Upon admission, all students will receive a completed copy of their checklist which will indicate the requirements that have already been fulfilled, and those that the student still needs to complete. You may also run a degree audit for all licensure programs through the MyCUInfo portal.

GPA Requirement: Have *and* maintain a 2.75 cumulative GPA (on 4.0 scale)

_____ Cumulative (all institutions)
 _____ at CU Boulder (if applicable)
 _____ In Education (if applicable)

Basic Skills Requirement: Complete an appropriate college-level Math and Composition course with a "B-" or better. Acceptable scores on the ACT, SAT, GRE or Praxis I PPST exam will also satisfy the requirement.

Verbal: _____ Math: _____

Dept/Course	Grade	Term	Requirement	Hours
			1. Foreign Language. Proficiency equivalent to three years in high school or third semester (intermediate) college-level, or an acceptable score on a CU-Boulder approved proficiency exam. Documentation required.	
			2. Quantitative Reasoning & Mathematical Skills. Choose option a. or b. below. OR a. MATH 1110 AND MATH 1120 b. Calculus 1 (MATH 1300 or APPM 1350)	6 4 or 5
			3. Written Communication. Three semester hours from the A&S Core.	3
			4. Historical Context. <i>Only HIST 1020 or HIST 1010</i> may fulfill this requirement.	3
			5. Human Diversity. <i>Only EDUC 3013</i> may fulfill this requirement.	3
			6. United States Context. <i>Only HIST 1025 or HIST 1015</i> may fulfill this requirement.	3
			7. Literature & the Arts. Choose from the A&S Core: six semester hours, of which three hours must be upper division, unless HUMN 1010 or 1020 is completed. Lit & Arts Course 1 Lit & Arts Course 2	6
			8. Natural Sciences. Six semester hours for Teacher Education. (A&S Core requires thirteen semester hours). Complete a. and b. below. a. Physical Science. Three semester hours. A comprehensive course or courses that cover Astronomy, Chemistry, or Earth Science (ATOC, Physical GEOG, GEOL). b. Biological Science. Three semester hours required. Any EBIO or MCDB course is sufficient. IPHY 3420/2420 is also acceptable.	3 3
			9. Contemporary Societies. <i>Only PSCI 1101</i> may fulfill this requirement.	3
			10. Ideals & Values. Three semester hours from the A&S Core.	3
			11. Human or Cultural Geography. At CU, any GEOG course that ends in a "2" (GEOG XXX2) will be acceptable. <i>Physical Geography</i> does NOT qualify.	3

Section 2: Education Requirements

COURSES THAT MAY BE TAKEN PRIOR TO ADMISSION: Though not required, prospective students that are interested in completing an education course prior to admission may enroll in **EDUC 3013 School & Society** and/or **EDUC 4411 Educational Psychology in Elementary Schools**. Students that do not complete EDUC 3013 prior to admission should complete it during their first semester in the program.

NOTE: Applicants are evaluated based upon a number of criteria; completing coursework prior to application **does not** guarantee that an applicant will be admitted.

			1. EDUC 3013 School & Society. (Counts in the A&S Core as Human Diversity. May be taken prior to admission to the teacher education program).	3
			2. EDUC 4411 Educational Psychology in Elementary Schools. (May be taken prior to admission to the teacher education program. <i>Prerequisite:</i> completion of 30 semester hours of college-level credit). Includes up to 2 hours per week of outside-class service learning.	3

ADMISSION to the Elementary Teacher Licensure program **is required** to take any of the courses below. The Elementary Teacher Licensure program is cohort-based; **students must complete the courses in the sequence below.**

First Semester Required Courses

			3. EDUC 4311 Children’s Literature for Elementary Schools. Includes up to 2 hours per week working with a child (May <i>not</i> be taken through Continuing Education).	3
			4. EDUC 4321 Integrated Reading and Writing for the Elementary School. Includes up to 4 hours per week of school-based practicum.	5

Second Semester Required Courses

			5. EDUC 4331 Social Studies in Elementary Schools. Includes up to 4 hours per week of school-based practicum in Denver Public Schools.	3
			6. EDUC 4341 Elementary Reading Assessment and Intervention. Includes up to 3 hours per week of school-based practicum.	3

Third Semester Required Courses

The courses below share an all-day, school-based practicum

			7. EDUC 4351 Differentiating Instruction in Diverse Elementary Classrooms.	3
			8. EDUC 5205 Elementary Mathematics Theory and Methods.	3
			9. EDUC 5215 Elementary Science Theory and Methods.	3

Satisfactory completion of all Content Requirements and Education Requirements is a prerequisite for Student Teaching. You must also pass either state-approved licensure exam, PRAXIS II (Paper-based Test Code: 10014 or Online Test Code: 50014) or PLACE (Test Code: 01) *prior* to student teaching.

Fourth Semester: Student Teaching

			10. EDUC 4513 Education and Practice. Must be taken with EDUC 4691.	2
			11. EDUC 4691 Elementary Student Teaching. Must be taken with EDUC 4513.	10
Total EDUC Hours				41

IMPORTANT NOTE: The CU Boulder School of Education has revised its teacher education programs to meet new statutory requirements. These changes will include, but not be limited to, the ability of an incoming freshman undergraduate student to complete the graduation requirements in four academic years and the inclusion of 800 hours of field experience within the teacher education program. This program has been reauthorized by the Colorado Commission of Higher Education. **However, course requirements are subject to change at any time.**