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Elementary Education at SIUE

The elementary education program is a collaborative agreement between SIUE and public school districts. Classroom teachers, university professors and faculty supervisors work together to provide elementary education majors a unique opportunity to regularly interact with students in grades 1-6.

Degrees Available at SIUE

Bachelor of Science, Elementary Education

What can I do with a degree in elementary education?

Teacher education programs at SIUE prepare students for teaching careers in:

- Early childhood education
- Elementary education
- Middle level education
- Special education
- Secondary education

Our graduates also pursue careers as:

- Literacy specialists
- Teacher leaders
- Principals
- Superintendents
- Training and organizational development specialists in the corporate and nonprofit sectors

Diversity Statement

SIUE's teacher education programs foster teacher candidates' ability to understand and meet professional responsibilities by modeling respect and value for diversity. Faculty members create and engage their students in practices that develop awareness, understanding, respect while valuing the forms of diversity that exist in society, and

their importance in learning and teaching. The School of Education, Health and Human Behavior teacher education programs are dedicated to supporting all teacher education candidates regardless of their economic or social status and advocates for the rights of students free from discrimination based on race, color, ethnic origin, national origin, creed, religion, political belief, sex, sexual orientation, gender identification, ability or age.

Professional Credential Disclosure

This program is intended to prepare students for licensure/certification meeting educational requirements established by regulatory boards in the state of Illinois. Licensure/certification requirements can vary by state. If you intend to practice or teach inside or outside the state of Illinois, please visit siue.edu/consumer-disclosures.

Admission Requirements

To declare a major in elementary education, it is necessary to have:

- Completed any required academic development and high school deficiency courses
- Received a grade of C or better in ENG 101 and CIED 100 (or equivalent course)
- A cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher at all institutions and be in good academic standing at SIUE

High school students with a strong academic record may apply for direct declaration to the Department of Teaching and Learning in the early childhood, elementary, or secondary programs. Please check with Admissions for current direct entry requirements. Direct admission does not guarantee admission to an elementary education cohort.



Sample Curriculum for the Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education

	Fall Semester		Spring Semester	
Year 1	ENG 101 English Composition I Breadth Fine & Performing Arts (BFPA) MATH 112A Math for Elementary Teachers: Number Sense and Algebra (BPS) RA 101 Reasoning & Argumentation CIED 100 Introduction to Education FST 101 Succeeding & Engaging at SIUE Total Credits Note: During the first semester of coursework, start a file in the School of Education, Health and Human Behavior Student Servi		ACS 101 Public Speaking ENG 102 English Composition II MATH 112B Mathematics for Elementary Teacher (BPS) PSYC 111 Foundations of Psychology (BSS, EH) QR 101 Quantitative Reasoning Total Credits	3 3 3 3 3 15
Year 2	Science Elective (Breadth Area) PSYC 201 Child Psychology (BSS) HIST 200 U.S. History: Constitution to 1877 (BSS, EUSC) ENG Literature (BHUM) CIED 310 Planning for Diverse Learners Total Credits	3 3 3 3 15	MATH 120 College Algebra or MATH 112C Mathematics for Elementary Teaching GEOG 111 Intro to Geography or GEOG 201 World Regions or GEOG 205 Human Geography (BSS, EGC) HIST 201 U.S. History: 1877 to Present (BSS) ECON 111 or ECON 112 or POLS 111 or POLS 112 Interdisciplinary Studies (IS) Total Credits	3 3 3 3 3 15
Year 3	CIED 312 Language and Communication CIED 441 Math Methods CIED 302 Field Experience II SPE 400 Exceptional Child SCI 241A Foundations of Science I (BLS, EL) or any Breadth Life Sciences KIN 330 Integrating Health and Physical Education into the K-8 Curriculum or CIED 428 Creativity, Problem Solving and Critical Thinking CI 490H Independent Readings and Projects in CI: Elementary Education or CIED 452 Seminar in Professionalism and Ethics of Teaching Total Credits	3 3 1 3 3 3	CIED 313 Intro to Educ. Assessment CIED 321 Primary Literacy CIED 443 Social Studies Methods CIED 303 Field Experience III SCI 241B Foundations of Science II (BPS, EL) or any Breadth Physical Sciences IT 300 Digital Learning and Comm. for Educators (BICS) CI 490H Independent Readings and Projects in CI: Elementary Education or CIED 452 Seminar in Professionalism and Ethics of Teaching Total Credits Note: Pass Content Area Test Prior to Student Teaching.	3 3 3 1 3 3 3
Year 4	CIED 322 Lit Comprehension and Composition CIED 442 Science Methods CIED 314 Learning Environments CIED 311 Planning for Differentiated Instruction CIED 304 Field Experience IV CI 490H Independent Readings and Projects in CI: Elementary Education or CIED 452 Seminar in Professionalism and Ethics of Teaching Total Credits	3 3 3 3 2	CIED 451 Student Teaching CIED 452 Seminar in Professionalism and Ethics of Teaching Total Credits	10 2 12
			Total Hours	123

Admission Requirements Cont.

In order to be formally admitted to an elementary education cohort, it is necessary to have:

- Declared as an elementary education major
- All foundations courses must be completed with a C or higher. (Foundations courses are: ENG 101, ENG 102, ACS 101, RA 101 and QR 101)
- Received a grade of C or better in ENG 102, MATH 120 or MATH 112C
- A cumulative GPA of 2.5 or higher at all institutions and be in good academic standing at SIUE
- Completion of 42 semester hours or more of college-level coursework
- Completed an application for admission to the elementary education program. This application along with transcripts of all coursework should be submitted by March 1 for fall admission.

Graduation Requirements

- A GPA of 2.5 or higher at all institutions and be in good academic standing at SIUE
- Meet all the requirements for Retention

- Completion of all University requirements including:
 - All general education requirements
 - A minimum of 120 credit hours
 - At least 30 of which must be completed at SIUE
 - At least 60 of which must be completed at a regionally accredited four-year institution
- Completion of all foundations courses (or approved equivalents) with a C or better
 - ENG 101, 102, ACS 101, RA 101, QR 101
- Passing score on required ILTS Elementary Content Area Test
- All students must now complete and submit for review an edTPA portfolio. The edTPA is the Elementary Program's Senior Assignment. Additional details are provided by program faculty
- File an Application for Graduation by the date determined by the Registrar's Office

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