

ELEMENTARY EDUCATION (PK-6) MAJOR

Program Curriculum

Code	Title	Credits
Degree Core Requirements ¹		
EDCI 1004	Introduction to Teacher Education and Licensure	1
EDEP 2374	Educational Psychology for PK-12 Teachers	3
EDCI 2574	Social Foundations of Education	3
EDCI 3144	Education of Exceptional Learners	3
EDCI 3234	Foundations of Reading Instruction (PK-6)	3
EDCI 3244	Curriculum and Instruction in Elementary Mathematics, PK-3	3
EDCI 3334	Teaching Language Arts in the Elementary Classroom	4
Subtotal		20
Major Requirements		
EDCI 2464	Foundations of Social Studies Education	3
EDCI 3074	Elementary Curriculum: Methods in Teaching	3
EDCI 3254	Elementary Methods in Science	3
EDCI 3354	STEM in Elementary Schools	3
EDCI 3464	Elementary Social Studies Teaching Methods	3
EDCI 4074	Culturally Responsive Teaching in the Elementary Classroom	3
EDEP 3474	Principles and Practices in PK-12 Assessment	3
MATH 1614	Numbers and Operations for Teachers	3
MATH 1624	Geometry for Teachers	3
Field-Based Requirements		
EDCI 2004	Exploring the Teaching Profession- Field Studies in Education	3
EDCI 3964	Field Study	6
EDCI 4964	Field Study	9
Subtotal		45
Free Electives		
Select 13 credits		13
Subtotal		13
Pathways to General Education		
<i>Pathways Concept 1 - Discourse</i>		
ENGL 1105	First-Year Writing (1F)	3
ENGL 1106	First-Year Writing (1F)	3
Select three credits in Pathway 1a (https://catalog.vt.edu/course-search/?attrs_pathways=attrs_pathways_G01A)		3
<i>Pathways Concept 2 - Critical Thinking in the Humanities</i>		
HIST 1115	History of the United States (also meets Pathways Concept 7 - Critical Analysis of Identity and Equity in the United States requirement)	3
or HIST 1116	History of the United States	
Select three hours in Pathway 2 (https://catalog.vt.edu/course-search/?attrs_pathways=attrs_pathways_G02)		3
<i>Pathways Concept 3 - Reasoning in the Social Sciences</i>		
GEOG 1014	World Regions	3
HD 1004	Childhood and Adolescence	3

or PSYC 2034 Developmental Psychology		
<i>Pathways Concept 4 - Reasoning in the Natural Sciences</i>		
ISC 1005	Integrated Scientific Reasoning	3
ISC 1006	Integrated Scientific Reasoning	3
Option Required Courses - Select two introductory science courses from two different content areas including BIOL, CHEM, ENSC, GEOS, ISC, or PHYS; you must complete two courses from different content areas. Ex: BIOL XXXX + GEOS XXXX		
<i>Pathways Concept 5 - Quantitative and Computational Thinking</i>		
Select six credits in Pathway 5f (https://catalog.vt.edu/course-search/?attrs_pathways=attrs_pathways_G05F)		6
EDCI 4244	Curriculum and Instruction in Middle School Mathematics (4-8) (5A)	3
<i>Pathways Concept 6 - Critique and Practice in Design and the Arts</i>		
Select three credits in Pathway 6d (https://catalog.vt.edu/course-search/?attrs_pathways=attrs_pathways_G06D)		3
Select three credits in Pathway 6a (https://catalog.vt.edu/course-search/?attrs_pathways=attrs_pathways_G06A)		3
<i>Pathways Concept 7 - Critical Analysis of Identity and Equity in the United States</i>		
HIST 1115	History of the United States (also meets Pathways Concept 2 - Critical Thinking in the Humanities requirement)	
or HIST 1116	History of the United States	
Subtotal		42
Total Credits		120

Satisfactory Progress Toward Degree

University Policy 91 ¹ requires a student to make satisfactory progress towards a degree. Additionally, licensure programs require that by the time a student has completed 72 credits, they must have passed all licensure examinations, carry an in-major GPA of 3.0, and be accepted into the educator preparation program.

¹ <https://policies.vt.edu/91-eligibility-for-continued-enrollment.pdf>

Graduation Requirements

Credits and GPA – Completion of a minimum of 120 credits with a minimum overall GPA of 2.5; and in-major GPA of 3.0. (In major GPA includes all EDCI and EDEP courses)

Prerequisites: Some courses listed on this checksheet may have pre-/co-requisites; please consult the University Course Catalog or check with your advisor.

Additional Requirements – Students must submit passing scores on required state licensure examinations.

Language Study Requirement

Students who do not complete two years of a single foreign or classical language or American Sign Language in high school, may do so by taking six credits of college-level foreign or classical language or American Sign Language. The six credits used to meet this requirement may not be used to satisfy the minimum number of credits required for graduation.