



Elementary Education

Program Code:

ED

Academic Area:

Behavioral and Social Sciences and Education

Type:

Associate in Arts

Program Goals Statement

This program prepares students to become transformative and empowering educators and who want to teach from Kindergarten through grade 6 (K-6) to transfer into an education program at a 4-year college or university that offers teacher licensure in Massachusetts. Moreover, the program also offers transfer pathways into Secondary Education programs at a 4-year college and university for students who choose to become Middle/High school teachers. Students are also qualified to be paraprofessionals once they have completed 48 credits.

Program Information

- Students in the Elementary Education program are required to submit a Criminal Offender Record Investigation (CORI) check. A positive CORI check would prevent a student from taking courses requiring field-related work, including
 - EDU 130 Education, Society, and Philosophy
 - EDU 210 Education and Technology, and
 - EDU 220 Foundations of Education with Teaching Pre-Practicum
- To enroll in EDU 220, students must have completed 27 credits with an overall minimum GPA of 2.5.
- Within the semester following completion of ENG 102, students should seek the assistance of the Program Coordinator to make plans to take the state-administered Communication and Literacy Skills Test (CLST).
- Students who are transferring to 4-year colleges and universities are recommended to maintain a minimum GPA of 2.8 at the time of graduation to ensure transfer eligibility and begin their education course work at the 4-year schools.
- Students must take EDU 210: Education and Technology either as their program elective or as a free elective since technological literacy is now a transfer requirement and a significant skill for all educators.
- Students seeking to transfer into Secondary Education pathways must take PSY 253: Adolescent Psychology.

After Bristol

Bristol participates in the statewide MassTransfer program and has developed many program-to-program transfer articulation agreements which guarantee admission and credit transfer. For a complete listing of eligible MassTransfer programs, current Bristol articulation agreements, and to complete an A2B Program Search, visit the Transfer Services website to review which credits will be transferred and applied to your degree.



Additional Information

- While selecting elective courses, students are also encouraged to complete courses such as ENG 272 Children's Literature and PHL111 Introduction to Logic to maximize the number of 4-year colleges and universities that have direct equivalencies.
- Students pursuing Secondary Education pathways must complete their pre-practicum classroom observations at a state-approved middle or high school in a classroom with a highly qualified teacher.
- Students who are employed in school districts as paraprofessionals, classroom aids, substitute teachers and so on, can use work hours towards their required classroom observation hours for EDU130, EDU 210 and EDU 220.

Degree Requirements

General Courses

Course #	Title	Credits
BIO 111	General Biology I	4
COM 104	Fundamentals of Public Speaking	3
EDU 101	College Success Seminar for Education	1
ENG 101	Composition I: College Writing	3
ENG 102	Composition II: Writing about Literature	3
GVT 111	U.S. Government	3
HST 111	The West and the World I	3
HST 113	United States History to 1877	3
MTH 127	Mathematics for Elementary School Teachers I	3
MTH 128	Mathematics for Elementary School Teachers II	3
PSY 101	General Psychology	3
PSY 252	Child Development	3
SCI 113	Physical Science	4
SSC 101	Introduction to Geography	3

Program Courses

Course #	Title	Credits
EDU 130	Education, Society and Philosophy	3
EDU 150	Language Education and Literacy	3
EDU 220	Foundations of Education with Teaching Pre-Practicum	3
EDU 225	Diversity and Multicultural Education	3

Program Electives

Course #	Title	Credits
	Program Elective	3
	Transfer Electives	6



Recommended Course Sequence - Semester 1

Course #	Title	Credits
EDU 101	College Success Seminar for Education	1
COM 104	Fundamentals of Public Speaking	3
ENG 101	Composition I: College Writing	3
MTH 127	Mathematics for Elementary School Teachers I	3
PSY 101	General Psychology	3
EDU 130	Education, Society and Philosophy	3

Recommended Course Sequence - Semester 2

Course #	Title	Credits
ENG 102	Composition II: Writing about Literature	3
MTH 128	Mathematics for Elementary School Teachers II	3
PSY 252	Child Development	3
	HST 111 or HST 113	3
EDU 150	Language Education and Literacy	3

Recommended Course Sequence - Semester 3

Course #	Title	Credits
EDU 225	Diversity and Multicultural Education	3
	HST 111 or HST 113	3
	BIO 111 or SCI 113	4
	Program Elective	3
	Transfer Elective	3

Recommended Course Sequence - Semester 4

Course #	Title	Credits
EDU 220	Foundations of Education with Teaching Pre-Practicum	3
GVT 111	U.S. Government	3
	BIO 111 or SCI 113	4
SSC 101	Introduction to Geography	3
	Transfer Elective	3
	Total credits:	63

Category Descriptions

Program Elective

Credits: 3



PSY 253 is required for students transferring into Secondary Education.

Choose one of the following:

Course #	Title	Credits
ECE 221	Guiding Young Children	3
ECE 222	Special Needs in Early Childhood	3
ECE 244	Parent-Teacher Communication and Partnerships	3
EDU 210	Education and Technology	3
ENG 272	Children's Literature	3
HUM 110	Introduction to Queer-Feminist Studies	3
HUM 150	Ecoliteracy, Education and Society	3
PHL 111	Introduction to Logic	3
PSY 253	Adolescent Psychology	3
SOC 212	The Sociology of Social Problems	3
SOC 256	Race and Ethnicity in the Contemporary United States	3

Transfer Electives

Credits: 6

Choose two MassTransfer Electives in consultation with your advisor and according to anticipated transfer degree/major.