

ELEMENTARY EDUCATION BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN EDUCATION

Program Overview

The Bachelor of Science in Education: Elementary Education prepares students for initial teacher certification at the elementary level. Graduates of the program will be learning leaders, student advocates, and reflective practitioners.

Program Requirements

To earn a bachelor's degree from Drake, students majoring in elementary education need to fulfill the following requirements:

- 120 credit hours
- Drake Curriculum requirements
- Professional education requirements
- Teaching endorsement(s) requirements (at least one endorsement)
- Subject area minimum requirements for elementary endorsements

Code	Title	Hours
EDUC 001	INTRODUCTION TO EDUCATION (Optional)	1
EDUC 103	FOUNDATIONS IN EDUCATION ¹	3
EDUC 108	STUDENT DEVELOPMENT AND LEARNING THEORY ¹	3
EDUC 111	EDUCATION PLANNING AND ASSESSMENT ¹	3
SPED 120	INTRODUCTION TO SPECIAL EDUCATION ¹	3
EDUC 109	EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY ¹	3
EDUC 164	PERSPECTIVES IN RACE, ETHNICITY, AND GENDER	3
EDUC 113	ART INTEGRATION IN EDUCATION	3
STEM 107	SCI CONTENT & PEDAG ELEM EDU 1	3
STEM 108	SCI CONTENT & PEDAG ELEM EDU 2	3
STEM 109	SCI CONTENT & PEDAG ELEM EDU 3	3
EDUC 122	CURRICULUM AND PEDAGOGY	3
EDUC 123	PHYSICAL EDUCATION AND HEALTH IN ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS	2
EDUC 124	CHILDREN'S LIT: READING & RESP	3
EDUC 126	TEACHING OF MATHEMATICS	3
EDUC 128	TEACHING OF SOCIAL STUDIES	3
EDUC 137	METH TEACH READ IN ELEM CLASS	3
EDUC 139	METH TEACH LANG ART ELEM CLASS	3

Elementary Classroom

Social Studies:

Select one of the following:	3
HIST 011	WORLD HISTORY, 1500-1750
HIST 012	WORLD HISTORY, 1750-PRESENT
HIST 075	US HISTORY TO 1877
HIST 076	US HISTORY SINCE 1877

Behavioral Science:

PSY 001	INTRODUCTION TO PSYCHOLOGY	4
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Mathematics:

MATH 024	STRUCTURE OF MATHEMATICS FOR ELEMENTARY EDUCATION I	3
MATH 025	STRUCTURE OF MATHEMATICS FOR ELEMENTARY EDUCATION II	3

Student Teaching:

EDUC 163	SEMINAR FOR STUDENT TEACHING	1
EDUC 166	STUDENT TEACHING - ELEMENTARY	11-13
EDUC 169	E-PORTFOLIO FOR STUDENT TEACHING	1

Teaching Endorsement:

Complete the requirements for at least one teaching endorsement. Varies

Total Hours **77-79**

¹ For admission to the Teacher Education Program - Must successfully complete EDUC 103 FOUNDATIONS IN EDUCATION, EDUC 108 STUDENT DEVELOPMENT AND LEARNING THEORY, EDUC 111 EDUCATION PLANNING AND ASSESSMENT, and SPED 120 INTRODUCTION TO SPECIAL EDUCATION

There are many endorsements available at the elementary level. While only one endorsement is required to get a teaching license, two or more endorsements are recommended for maximizing students' flexibility and variety in their professional careers. Approved endorsement programs currently are available in:

- Art
- Computer Science
- Early Childhood Education
- History
- Social Studies
- Mathematics
- Reading
- Science
- Special Education
- Speech/Communications/Theatre
- STEM (K-8)
- World languages (Spanish, French, Japanese, and German)

Approved second endorsement areas are available in:

- English as a Second Language (K-12)
- Gifted & Talented (K-12)
- Middle School (5-8)

Specific requirements and program descriptions are available in the Teaching and Learning Department. Other endorsement programs may become available.

To earn endorsement by Drake University for licensure in an endorsement, students must earn at least a "C-" in all of the courses above.

Teacher Education Program

Students must meet the following criteria to enroll in professional courses for Elementary Education:

- A minimum cumulative grade point average of 2.5
- All InTASC Standards met at the beginning level

- A completed application and two checklist forms of recommendation, at least one from a School of Education teacher education faculty member
- Successful background check

Other Program Requirements

All students preparing for licensure as a teacher must meet the following criteria on a continuing basis:

1. Completion of the Drake Curriculum Areas of Inquiry (A.O.I.s) or an equivalent program at another college or university.
2. Completion of the elementary or secondary education major with at least a "C-" in all education and endorsement courses.
3. Completion of an approved teaching endorsement area(s).
4. Maintenance of at least a 2.50 cumulative GPA (on a 4.00 scale) for undergraduate students.
5. Maintenance of at least a 3.0 cumulative GPA (on a 4.00 scale) for graduate students.
6. Demonstration of all InTASC Standards at the appropriate level.
7. Demonstration of Drake-defined Professional Dispositions at the appropriate level.
8. Successfully pass background checks.

In addition to programmatic requirements, students are responsible for satisfying all requirements of the Drake Curriculum (<https://catalog.drake.edu/archive/2024-2025/undergraduate/academic-information/drake-curriculum/>), including Areas of Inquiry (AOI)

Student must also satisfy university graduation requirements (<https://catalog.drake.edu/archive/2024-2025/undergraduate/academic-information/graduation-requirements/>) for all undergraduate students..