

**BEACON PROGRAM CHECKLIST
ELEMENTARY CERTIFICATION
(Grades 1-6)**



Education department

GENERAL EDUCATION

38 – 47 hrs

The general education component is to be completed according to Columbia College degree requirements. (Please refer to your entrance year catalog for specific degree requirements.)

The following courses are highly recommended in order to pass each section of the MoGEA (Missouri General Education Assessment) and the Elementary Education Multi-Content Assessment:

MATH 150 – College Algebra

MUSI 122 – Music Appreciation or ARTS 105 – Art Appreciation or ARTS 111 – Art and Ideas I or ARTS 112 – Art and Ideas II

PSYC 101 – General Psychology

ECON 293 – Macroeconomics

GEOG 101 – Intro to Geography

LIBERAL ARTS AND SCIENCE DEGREE

37 – 51 hrs

Elementary Education majors may choose from the following recommended degree areas.

- BA – Art
- BA – English
- BS – Environmental Science
- BA – History
- BS – Mathematics
- BA – Psychology
- BA – Sociology

Students must complete the degree requirements as set forth by Columbia College. Hours required for completion will vary depending on area chosen. (Please refer to your entrance year catalog for specific degree requirements.)

*Please note: certification will be Elementary Education, not content area certification

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION COURSEWORK

79 hrs

Grade	Course #	Course Title	Cr Hrs	Field Experience (observation hrs) included
	CDEV 106 / or / EDUC 105	Child Health, Nutrition, and Safety / or / Human Health	3	none
	EDUC/ MATH 102	Teaching and Learning Elementary Mathematics from an Advanced Perspective	3	none
	SOCI 270	Minority Cultures and Relations	3	none
	EDUC 100	Introduction to Education	3	15 hrs
	EDUC 200	Law, Ethics, and Education	3	none
	EDUC 220	Methods of Teaching English Learners	3	none
	EDUC 230	Educational Psychology	3	none
	EDUC 280	Language Acquisition and Emergent Literacy	3	none
	EDUC 298	Field Experience	1	15 hrs
	EDUC 300	Techniques of Teaching	3	15 hrs
	EDUC 390	Education & Psychology of the Exceptional Child	3	none
	Choose option	EDUC 396 – Child and Adolescent Development; or EDUC 391 – Child Psychology and EDUC 392 – Adolescent Psychology	3	none

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Admission to the Teacher Certification Program (See Teacher Certification Program Checklist)				
	EDUC 311	Classroom Management Techniques	3	15 hrs
	EDUC 322	Educational Measurement and Assessment	3	none
	EDUC 331	Teaching of Reading	3	15 hrs
	EDUC 335	Teaching Creative Arts and Movement to Children	3	none
	EDUC 337	Teaching Language Arts in Middle and Elementary Schools	3	none
	EDUC 338	Content Reading and Writing	3	15 hrs
	EDUC 352	Teaching Science to Elementary Children	3	none
	EDUC 354	Teaching Social Studies to Elementary Children	3	none
	EDUC 358	Teaching Math in the Elementary School	3	15 hrs
	EDUC 380	Diagnostic and Corrective Reading	3	none
	EDUC 400	Senior Seminar	3	none
Approval for Student Teaching (See Student Teaching Checklist)				
	EDUC 425	Undergraduate Student Teaching	12	16 weeks
		Total Credit Hours	79	
Approval for DESE certification recommendation (See DESE Certification checklist)				

Retention Criteria:

- Complete at least 6 hours of professional education each year
- Complete Field Experiences and receive favorable evaluations from cooperating teachers and faculty supervisors
- Maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.75 or above after acceptance to the program
- Maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or above in professional education courses and content area courses

Other requirements for certification that must be completed prior to graduation:

- Successful completion/passing of appropriate Missouri Content Assessment (MoCA) (must be passed prior to student teaching)
- Successful completion of program certification portfolio (EDUC 400) and exit interview

*This is not a degree checklist
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