

**EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE
University of Arkansas – Fort Smith
College of Education**

2003/2004 Catalog
Program Plan

Assessment scores (ACT or COMPASS), required of all first-time entering students without previous college work, are used to determine skill readiness to be successful in college-level work. College Preparatory courses may not transfer or apply top graduation requirements. All college preparatory work should be completed within the first 30 hours.

READ	0503	0513	ENGL	0153	0163	MATH	0093	0233	1203	or equivalents
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IDS 1203 is required for all first-time full-time students.

Criteria for admission and retention in the Teacher Education Program (TEP):

- 1) A grade of C or better is required for all coursework
- 2) Satisfactory interview evaluation
- 3) * Courses are required for admission to teacher education along with state approved scores on the Praxis I and 2.75 gpa
- 4) + Courses require a grade of B or better

DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

Area	Grade	Transfer	Sem & Yr	Courses	Pre or Co Reqs
English 6 hrs	*			ENGL 1203 Freshman English I	Pre placement or ENGL 0163
	* +			ENGL 1213 Freshman English II	Pre ENGL 1203
Mathematics 3 hrs	*			MATH 1403 College Algebra or higher MATH course	Pre placement or MATH 1203
Speech 3 hrs	* +			SPCH 1203 Intro to Speech Com or SPCH 2703 Public Speaking	Pre ENGL 1203 or SPCH 1203
Biology 4 hrs	Select 1 course from the BIOL area				
				BIOL 1154 Biological Science	
				BIOL 1254 General Biology	
Physical Science 8 hrs	Required				
				PHSC 2754 Physical Science	Pre MATH 1203
	AND select one course				
				GEOL 1254 Physical Geology	
Fine Arts 3 hrs	Select 1 course from the following 3 areas				
				ART 2863 Survey of Art History I or ART 2873 Survey of Art History II	Pre sophomore status or consent
				HUMN 2563 Humanities/Arts	
Humanities 3 hrs	Select 1 course from the following 3 areas				
				ENGL 2783 Am Lit to 1865 or ENGL 2793 Am Lit 1865-pres	Pre ENGL 1213 for all literature classes
				ENGL 2803 World Lit to 1750 or ENGL 2813 World Lit 1750-pres	
			PHIL 2753 Intro to Philosophy		
History/ Government 6 hrs	Required				
				HIST 2753 US History I or HIST 2763 US History II	
				POLS 2753 Am Natl Government	
Social Sciences 6 hrs	Required				
				GEOG 2753 World Regional Geog	

				PSYC 1163 General Psychology or SOCL 2753 Intro to Sociology	
Physical Ed 5 hrs				PHYE 2953 First Aid	
				1 hour activity course Select from PHYE 1011, 1101, 1321, 1561 1 hour activity course 1571 and 1621	
ECE Core Courses 13 hrs	*			EDUC 2753 Intro to Education	
				FORL 1322 Beg Convers Spanish I	
				FORL 1332 Beg Convers Spanish II	Pre FORL 1322
				MATH 2333 Structures of Arith	Pre placement or MATH 1203
				MATH 2343 Informal Geometry	Pre placement or MATH 1203

UPPER LEVEL EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATION MAJOR REQUIREMENTS

Area	Grade	Transfer	Sem & Yr	Course		
ECE Major Requirements 66 hrs				ECED 3003 Science in the Early Childhood Classroom	Pre junior standing	
				EDUC 3003 Intro to Educ Tech		
				HIST 4153 History of Arkansas		
				ECED 3063 Methods of Teaching Math in EC Settings	Pre MATH 2233 and 2343	
	*			ECED 3023 Foundations of EC	These 2 courses are concurrent	
	*			ECED 3033 Child Development		
				Must be admitted to teacher education prior to starting the following courses		
				ECED 3043 Developmentally Appropriate Practice	These 2 courses are concurrent	
				ECED 3053 Children & Family in a Diverse Society		
				ECED 3113 Integrated Curriculum I	All ECED 31xx courses pertain to children 3-5 years of age and are concurrent	
				ECED 3122 Practicum I		
				ECED 3162 Assessment I		
				ECED 3172 Guiding Young Children I		
				ECED 3183 Language & Literacy I		
				ECED 3192 Child Lit I		
				ECED 3213 Integrated Curriculum II		All ECED 32xx courses pertain to children 6-9 years of age and are concurrent
				ECED 3222 Practicum II		
				ECED 3262 Assessment II		
				ECED 3272 Guiding Young Children II		
				ECED3283 Language & Literacy II		
			ECED 3292 Child Lit II			
			EDUC 4802 Seminar in Education	These 2 courses are concurrent		
			ECED 490C ECE Internship 12 hrs			

TOTAL DEGREE HOURS 126

Admission is by application to the Teacher Credential and Standards Committee (TSTC) of the Teacher Education Council (TEC). Applications are available from the College of Education. Once admitted, students must maintain satisfactory progress throughout the completion of the teacher education program according to the criteria cited above and any additional program standards in effect or lost eligibility to continue in the program.

Upon completion of 45 or more credit hours, students will take the College Assessment of Academic Proficiency (CAAP). The results are used to assess and improve the University's general education curriculum to enhance student learning.