



WHAT IS ELEMENTARY EDUCATION?

Education is a career in which graduates can find the satisfaction of helping young people learn. Teachers have the ability to make a large impact on many lives. In addition to being classroom teachers, education majors have the opportunity to pursue careers as coaches, administrators, or education directors.

CAREERS IN ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

- Teacher
- Education Administration
- School Counselor
- Librarian
- Instructional Coordinator

For more Career Resources to help you explore the possibilities, see the other side.

WHAT DEGREE DO I GET AT WWCC?

For transferring to a university to pursue a major in Elementary Education, you may want to complete an Associate in Arts- DTA at WWCC. Below are recommended courses to prepare you for this major. Check out www.wvcc.edu/associateinarts for specific degree requirements.

RECOMMENDED COURSES

Every university and major may require slightly different prerequisites. It is highly recommended that you speak with a representative at the future institution to identify specific prerequisite coursework or other requirements to be ready for your major (eg-minimum GPA requirements) and work with your advisor to develop an Education Plan including proper courses. The courses listed below are recommended only, completion of these courses does not guarantee admissions to institutions or programs.

COMMUNICATIONS (13 CREDITS REQUIRED)

- ENLG&101-Composition I
- ENGL&102-Composition II
- CMST&220-Public Speaking

HUMANITIES (15 CREDITS REQUIRED)

- ENGL149-Children's Literature
- ART&100-Art Appreciation
- MUSC&105-Music Appreciation

NATURAL SCIENCES (15 CREDITS REQUIRED)

- BIOL&100-Survey of Biology
- CHEM&110-Chemical Concepts w/ Lab OR other Physical Science
- GEOL&101-Intro to Physical Geography or other Earth Science

The AA degree requires an additional 3 credits for Physical Activity courses, First Year Experience, and a Diversity course for completion.

QUANTITATIVE (5 CREDITS REQUIRED)

- MATH&132-Math for Elementary School Teachers II

SOCIAL SCIENCES (15 CREDITS REQUIRED)

- EDUC&202-Intro to Education
- PSYC&200-Lifespan Psychology
- HIST&146, 147, OR 148-US History I, II, III

ELECTIVES (24 CREDITS REQUIRED)

- MATH&131-Math for Elementary Teachers I (Prereq for MATH&132)
- EDUC111-Teaching and Learning Lab
- HIST&126 OR 127-World Civilization I, II
- ECON&201-Microeconomics OR ECON&202-Macroeconomics
- POLS&202-American Government OR GEOG&102-World Regional Geography

Important Notes:

While an advisor is available to help research and plan courses, it is the student's responsibility to research and communicate with schools and programs to which they intend to apply to verify prerequisites and requirements as these vary and are subject to change. Many program have specific GPA requirements or specialized courses required for entering the major.

SOME SCHOOLS WITH AN ELEMENTARY EDUCATION PROGRAM:

- Boise State University
- Central Washington University
- Eastern Oregon University
- Lewis~Clark State College
- Walla Walla University
- Washington State University
- University of Washington-Bothell

This is general guide for planning purposes and does not include specific dates for specific schools; that information must be obtained from your prospective colleges and universities. There are more schools offering a major in Elementary Education. For more Transfer Tips and Resources including schools with this pathway, see the other side or visit www.wvcc.edu/transfer-center/programs

CAREER RESOURCES

- National Education Association - www.nea.org

For more information and resources, please visit our Career website at: www.wvcc.edu/career-services

TRANSFER TIPS & RESOURCES

Please visit the Transfer Center at www.wvcc.edu/transfer

Requirements may include completing volunteer hours in an educational setting. Please confer with your intended transfer school for details.

By the end of the First year or 3rd quarter.....

- ✓ Select a major or area of study and select the appropriate WVCC degree to meet your goals
- ✓ Narrow your potential transfer schools to 3-5 schools
- ✓ Make a list of transfer requirements for your school(s) and major
- ✓ With your advisor, draw up an education plan to plot out the courses for degree completion and major readiness

Other things to do:

- Talk with college representatives that visit WVCC
- Contact an advisor at the transfer institution in which you are interested, make sure your education plan will work for the major
- Visit the campus (if applicable) of your potential transfer school
- Fill out interest cards to receive information from schools
- Apply for TRiO and/or the Honors program if eligible

In the Second Year...

Fall

- ✓ Apply for admissions to your transfer school(s) of choice, (providing copies of official transcripts from all schools you have attended)
- ✓ Contact an advisor at your prospective transfer school
- ✓ Research scholarship eligibility and deadlines, prepare to apply

Winter

- ✓ Complete the FAFSA and additional financial aid material required by your transfer school
- ✓ Complete scholarship applications
- ✓ Start considering housing options at your transfer school
- ✓ Apply for your degree at WVCC

Spring

- ✓ Complete graduation requirements for WVCC
- ✓ Accept/reject university offers
- ✓ Apply for housing (If needed)
- ✓ Request final transcript from WVCC after grades and degree(s) are posted
- ✓ Attend an Orientation session at transfer institution

FALL	WINTER	SPRING	SUMMER
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