

## Advising Information for Freshman Education Students

### For All Education Students

#### **When can I start taking Education courses?**

In Jan term or Spring semester of your freshman year.

#### **What courses do I take first?**

EDU 201, Educational Psychology, EDU 202, Exploring Teaching, and EDU 203 Field Experience

#### **How did I get admitted into the Education program?**

Near the end of EDU 201, 202, and 203 you will apply for admission into the program.

#### **What are the admissions requirements?**

See the website for full listing:

GPA > 2.75 Provisional Admission

GPA > 3.0 for Full Admission

Pass WEST-B basic skills exams or have equivalent SAT or ACT scores.

Meet Benchmark I standards

Successful application and interview

### Secondary

#### **Which General Education courses are fulfilled in the Secondary Education program?**

The oral communication requirement (EDU 350)

The global diversity requirement (EDU 367/368)

The American diversity requirement (EDU 401)

#### **Start on your major.**

You need to major in the area you want to teach. See the catalog to look at the major you are interested in. You will take the major strand that leads to endorsement to teach. This is something you can start on right away as a freshman. Note: certain majors don't work for teaching; for example, religion and business aren't teaching majors.

#### **Do I need a minor?**

No, but you are encouraged to work toward a second endorsement teaching area. This allows you to teach more subjects and increases your marketability. Ask your education advisor about teaching areas.

### Elementary

#### **Are there courses I can take before I start the Education program?**

The following courses are required for the Elementary Education major and may be taken as a freshman.

MA 221 and MA 222 Math for Elementary Teachers I and II

(meets Gen Ed mathematics requirement)

HI 131 American History Before 1877

(meets Gen Ed social science requirement)

HI 182 The United States in a Global Context

BIO 102 Introductory Biology

(meets Gen Ed science requirement)

NS 101 Earth and Sky

(meets Gen Ed science requirement)

#### **Content area requirements:**

All elementary education students are required to have a minimum of 20 semester credits in one concentration area (for example: art, history, math, etc.) as part of their major. Please read the Elementary Education Advising Information or talk to your advisor about subjects that work for this.

#### **Which General Education requirements are met in the Elementary program?**

The oral communication requirement (EDU 340)

The global diversity requirement (EDU 367/368)

The American diversity requirement (EDU 401)

The math requirement (MA 221 or MA 222)

The science requirement (NS 101 or BI 102)

The social science requirement (HI 131)