



WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY

North Central Michigan College

Fall 2016

Western Michigan University Elementary Education Curriculum Guide

Pre-elementary education requirements:

Students who are applying to take the upper level professional teaching courses in the College of Education and Human Development (CEHD) must have completed the following requirements at the time of application:

- Completion of 35 credit hours of college level work;
- Completion of all WMU intellectual skills development requirements (e.g. MATH 1090, ED 1040 and ENG 1000, if required);
- Completion of an approved college level writing course;
- Completion ED 2500, or an approved course, with a “CB” (2.5) or higher;
- Achievement of a cumulative grade point average (GPA) of “B” (3.0) or higher, by the time of application;
- Achievement of passing scores on all three parts of the Michigan Test for Teacher Certification (MTTC) #96- Professional Readiness Exam (formerly the Basic Skills Test), at the time of application, or passing by an alternate method. Please contact the **CEHD** advising office if there are questions;
- Completion of a background check through Castle Branch at portal.castlebranch.com/wc48 with Submission of Judgment of Sentence or Register of Action for any convictions, if necessary;
- Submission of a formal application to the Office of Admissions and Advising, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI 49008-5275;
- For students who started at NCMC before Fall 2014, and will transfer directly to WMU, **your requirements may be different**. Please check with the CEHD advising office (contact information is listed below).

The following required courses can be taken at NCMC, for your transfer to WMU:

WMU courses

An approved college level writing course
 ED 2500
 MATH 1500
 MATH 1510
 MATH 2650
 PSCI 2000
 ECON 1000
 ANTH 1200

NCMC courses

ENG 111 or 112
 PSY 255 or 261
 MATH 125
 No equivalent
 No equivalent
 PLS 141
 No equivalent
 ANP 110 or 210 **

GEOG 1020	GEO 121
GEOG 1900	ESC 101
GEOG 2900	No equivalent
BIOS 1700	No equivalent
CHEM 2800	No equivalent
PHYS 1800	No equivalent
HOL 1000 or HPHE 1110	No equivalent
HIST 2100	HST 131
HIST 2110	HST 132 **
HIST 3020	No equivalent
ART 2000	ART 120 **

For students who tentatively know which subject areas they will major or minor in, here are a few suggestions from the education department chair:

- Language Arts students could take ENG 130; Science students could take CEM 121;
- **Not required for Early Childhood Education students.

Important notes:

- **Elementary Education majors** can be certified to teach K-5 in all subjects, grades 6-8 in the content minors or major, and K-8 in all subjects when teaching in a self-contained classroom;
- **Early Childhood majors** can be certified to teach K-5 in all subjects, grades K-8 in all subjects when teaching in a self-contained classroom, early childhood (regular or special education) – birth to 8 years old, and grades 6-8 in the content minors. See the WMU Elementary Education website for more information;
- Students will not be allowed to enroll in professional education 3000 level courses, until they have been admitted to the professional program;
- Contact the College of Education and Human Development (CEHD) advising, listed below, regarding any questions.

Approved by:

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