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, 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 SC4 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 SC4, for your transfer to WMU:

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<th>WMU courses</th>
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<td>An approved college level writing course</td>
<td>ENG 101 or 101H or 101T or 102 or 102H or OA 225</td>
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<td>GEOG 1020</td>
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GEOG 1900  No equivalent
GEOS 2900  No equivalent
BIOS 1700  No equivalent
CHEM 2800  No equivalent
PHYS 1800  No equivalent
MUS 2400 or ART 2000  No equivalent **
ECON 1000  No equivalent
ANTH 1200  No equivalent **
HIST 2100  HIS 149
HIST 2110  HIS 150 **
HIST 3020  No equivalent
HOL 1000 or HPHE 1110  PE 141

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

- Science students could take CHM 111;
- **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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