

## Education – Elementary

### Associate of Arts Oregon Transfer

#### FOCUS AREA DESCRIPTION

Have you always wanted to be a teacher? Do you enjoy working in a collaborative, fast-paced environment? Are you looking for a challenging career where you can make a difference in the lives of students? If so, COCC can give you a strong foundation for your goal of teaching at the elementary, middle school or high school level. The following is a suggested course of study for students interested in pursuing a bachelor's degree in education designed for elementary licensure.

#### PROGRAM ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

None

#### PROGRAM PERFORMANCE STANDARDS

##### Academic Requirements

- Students must have a 2.0 cumulative GPA to earn a COCC certificate or degree.
- All courses in the program must be completed with a grade of C or higher.

#### PROGRAM COURSE REQUIREMENTS

##### General Education/Foundational

##### Health

3 credits with HHP or HHPA prefix<sup>1</sup> 3  
 Recommend: HHP 295<sup>2</sup>

##### Mathematics

MTH 105 Math in Society (or higher) 4  
 Recommend: MTH 211

##### Oral Communication

Choose one course from the following: 3-4  
 SP 111 Fundamentals Public Speaking  
 SP 114 Argumentation & Discourse  
 SP 115 Intro Intercultural Commun  
 SP 218 Interpersonal Communication  
 SP 219 Small Group Communication

##### Writing

WR 121 Academic Composition<sup>2</sup> 4  
 WR 122 Argument, Research and Multimodal Composition 4  
 or WR 227 Technical Writing

##### General Education/Discipline Studies

One course must be designated as Cultural Literacy.

##### Arts and Letters

Choose at least three courses from at least two prefixes 9-12  
 Recommend: ED 112

##### Social Science

Choose at least four courses from at least two prefixes 12-16  
 Recommend: ED 152 or SOC 222, ED 219, PSY 201, SOC 201<sup>2</sup>

#### Science/Math/Computer Science

12-20

Choose at least four courses from at least two prefixes including at least three laboratory courses in biological and/or physical science  
 Recommend: FN 225

#### Electives

39

Choose enough electives to meet 90 credits  
 Recommend: CIS 120, ED 172, ED 174, ED 176, ED 216, ED 235, ED 253, ED265, ED 269, ED 290, HST 201, HST 202, HST 203, MTH 212,<sup>2</sup> MTH 213<sup>2</sup>

**Total Credits 90-106**

<sup>1</sup> HHPA activity courses (1 credit each) are not to be duplicated.

<sup>2</sup> Intended to align with requirements for OSU's Education major. Students should confirm current major requirements at OSU.

#### ADVISING NOTES

- In Oregon, students may achieve an initial license to teach through a bachelor's program, a post-baccalaureate program or a master's-level program. Students prepare to teach at different grade levels of authorization, depending on their background, interests and the requirements of specific programs of study. Students may prepare for a transfer degree in Early Childhood Education through COCC as the initial preparation for early childhood education as well as elementary grade-level teaching. However, it is important to work closely with an advisor to ensure that the degree contains the necessary prerequisite coursework for the desired licensure program.
- Students should check with each school to ensure that the latest transfer information is used when designing their program.
- There are several options for completing a teaching licensure program in Central Oregon.
- Students should consult with an education advisor as early as possible to discuss program options and determine which courses fulfill transfer requirements to different institutions and different levels of licensure.
- For more information on teacher preparation programs in Oregon, see the Oregon Teacher Standard and Practices Commission website at [oregon.gov/TSPC](http://oregon.gov/TSPC). Students may also wish to review COCC's advising guide for teacher education at [cocc.edu](http://cocc.edu).
- Students pursuing a BA should consider completing three terms of 200-level language courses at COCC. The 100-level language courses will count as electives. The 200-level language courses will partially fulfill the Arts and Letters requirement.
- Students pursuing a BS should consider taking more math, social science and science courses. Language is not necessary for the BS degree, but would be valuable for students with a major or emphasis in international economics. For specific details, speak with an advisor.