



2018-2019 PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS
Degree: Bachelor of Arts
Major: Liberal Arts, Elementary Education
Concentration: Social Science

About This Major . . .

The Center for Teacher Education offers a comprehensive program of study that leads to licensure in Colorado. Our professors are experienced, knowledgeable, accessible, and dedicated to the improvement of public education. At Colorado Mesa University, we pride ourselves on the personal touch. Faculty offer one-on-one guidance for course selection, field placements, student teaching, and employment. Our mission is to develop *Educators as Innovators*; we are always looking to improve the quality of learning in our programs and K-12 schools.

As a student, you will gradually accumulate over 200 hours of classroom experience before beginning student teaching. School districts throughout western Colorado provide opportunities to gain experience with children of all ages and backgrounds in a variety of school settings.

The elementary licensure program provides teacher education candidates with a broad content knowledge and prepares them as teachers for grades kindergarten through six. A minimum of 60 credit hours of Essential Learning and content area coursework must be completed with a minimum GPA of 2.80 before a candidate may apply for admission to the Center for Teacher Education elementary licensure program. Please see the Teacher Education Admission Packet for further information on admissions criteria. EDUC 115 and EDUC 215 must be taken before applying to the program.

For more information on what you can do with this major, go to <http://www.coloradomesa.edu/career/whatmajor.html>.

All CMU baccalaureate graduates are expected to demonstrate proficiency in critical thinking, communication fluency, quantitative fluency, and specialized knowledge/applied learning. In addition to these campus-wide student learning outcomes, graduates of this major will be able to:

1. Demonstrate understanding that learning and developmental patterns vary among individuals, that learners bring unique individual differences to the learning process, and that learners need supportive and safe learning environments to thrive.
2. Apply content knowledge as they work with learners to access information, apply knowledge in real world settings, and address meaningful issues to assure learner mastery of the content.
3. Integrate assessment, planning, and instructional strategies in coordinated and engaging ways through multiple means of communication
4. Engage in meaningful and intensive professional learning and self-renewal by regularly examining practice through ongoing study, self-reflection, and collaboration.
5. Synthesize concepts and research methods from different social science disciplines and apply these to particular social issues.

Advising Process and DegreeWorks

This document is intended for informational purposes to help determine what courses and associated requirements are needed to earn a degree. The suggested course sequencing outlines how students could finish degree requirements. Some courses are critical to complete in specific semesters, while others may be moved around. Meeting with an academic advisor is essential in planning courses and altering the suggested course sequencing. It is ultimately the student's responsibility to understand and fulfill the requirements for her/his intended degree(s).

DegreeWorks is an online degree audit tool available in MAVzone. It is the official record used by the Registrar's Office to evaluate progress towards a degree and determine eligibility for graduation. Students are responsible for reviewing their DegreeWorks audit on a regular basis and should discuss questions or concerns with their advisor or academic department head. Discrepancies in requirements should be reported to the Registrar's Office.

Graduation Process

Students must complete the following in the first two months of the semester prior to completing their degree requirements:

- Review their DegreeWorks audit and create a plan that outlines how unmet requirements will be met in the final semester.
- Meet with their advisor and modify their plan as needed. The advisor must approve the final plan.
- Submit the "Intent to Graduate" form to the Registrar's Office to officially declare the intended graduation date and commencement ceremony plans.

- Register for all needed courses and complete all requirements for each degree sought.

Submission deadlines and commencement details can be found at <http://www.coloradomesa.edu/registrar/graduation.html>.

If a student's petition for graduation is denied, it will be her/his responsibility to consult the Registrar's Office regarding next steps.

INSTITUTIONAL DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

The following institutional degree requirements apply to all CMU baccalaureate degrees. Specific programs may have different requirements that must be met in addition to institutional requirements.

- 120 semester hours minimum.
- Students must complete a minimum of 30 of the last 60 hours of credit at CMU, with at least 15 semester hours in major discipline courses numbered 300 or higher.
- 40 upper-division credits (an alternative credit limit applies to the Bachelor of Applied Science degree).
- 2.00 cumulative GPA or higher in all CMU coursework.
- A course may only be used to fulfill one requirement for each degree/certificate.
- No more than six semester hours of independent study courses can be used toward the degree.
- Non-traditional credit, such as advanced placement, credit by examination, credit for prior learning, cooperative education and internships, cannot exceed 30 semester credit hours for a baccalaureate degree; A maximum of 15 of the 30 credits may be for cooperative education, internships, and practica.
- Pre-collegiate courses (usually numbered below 100) cannot be used for graduation.
- Capstone exit assessment/projects (e.g., Major Field Achievement Test) requirements are identified under Program-Specific Degree Requirements.
- The Catalog Year determines which program sheet and degree requirements a student must fulfill in order to graduate. Visit with your advisor or academic department to determine which catalog year and program requirements you should follow.
- See "Requirements for Undergraduate Degrees and Certificates" in the catalog for a complete list of graduation requirements.

PROGRAM-SPECIFIC DEGREE REQUIREMENTS

- 126 semester hours required for the BA in Liberal Arts, Elementary Education, Social Science.
- 2.80 cumulative GPA or higher in all CMU coursework.
- 2.80 cumulative GPA or higher in coursework toward the major content area.
- A grade of "B" or better is required for all EDUC courses.
- Foreign language proficiency must be demonstrated by high school course work (2 years), college coursework (2 semesters), or competency testing.
- Students take the PRAXIS II exam in the content area prior to beginning the internship. Also, ALL other coursework toward the degree must be successfully completed prior to the internship.
- A grade of "C" or better must be earned in all required courses, unless otherwise stated.
- ENGL 111, ENGL 112, PSYC 233, EDUC 115 and 215, and MATH 105 (all with a grade of "B" or better) and formal acceptance to the Teacher Education Program.

ESSENTIAL LEARNING REQUIREMENTS (31 semester hours)

See the current catalog for a list of courses that fulfill the requirements below. If a course is an Essential Learning option and a requirement for your major, you must use it to fulfill the major requirement and make a different selection for the Essential Learning requirement.

English (6 semester hours, must receive a grade of "B" or better and must be completed by the time the student has 60 semester hours.)

- ENGL 111 - English Composition (3)
- ENGL 112 - English Composition (3)

Mathematics (3 semester hours, must be taken after MATH 105. Must receive a grade of "B" or better, must be completed by the time the student has 60 semester hours.)

- MATH 205 - Elements of Mathematics II

Humanities (3 semester hours)

- Select one Humanities course (3) (Essential Learning eligible ENGL or HIST course recommended)

Social and Behavioral Sciences (6 semester hours)

- PSYC 233 - Human Growth and Development (3) (Must earn a grade of "B" or higher)
- Select one Social and Behavioral Sciences course (3)

Natural Sciences (7 semester hours, one course must include a lab)

- Select one BIOL course (3)
- Select the corresponding BIOL Lab (1)
- Select one GEOL course (3):

History (3 semester hours)

- Select one History course (3) (HIST 131 or HIST 132 recommended)

Fine Arts (3 semester hours)

- Select one Fine Arts course (3)

OTHER LOWER-DIVISION REQUIREMENTS

Wellness Requirement (2 semester hours)

- KINE 100 - Health and Wellness (1)
- Select one Activity course (1)

Essential Learning Capstone (4 semester hours)

Essential Learning Capstone must be taken after completion of the Essential Learning English and Mathematics requirements, and when a student has earned between 45 and 75 hours.

- ESSL 290 - Maverick Milestone (3)
- ESSL 200 - Essential Speech (1)

BA, LIBERAL ARTS ELEMENTARY EDUCATION, SOCIAL SCIENCE CONCENTRATION (89 semester hours)

Elementary Education Core (36 semester hours):

Literacy and Mathematics (15 semester hours)

- ENGL 240 - Children's Literature (3)
- ENGL 343 - Language systems and Linguistic Diversity (3)
- ENGL 451 – Understanding and Using English Grammar (3)

- MATH 105 - Elements of Mathematics I (3) (Must earn a grade of "B" or higher.)
- MATH 301 - Mathematics for Elementary Teachers (3)

Kinesiology (3 semester hours)

- KINE 321 - Physical Activity and Health in the Classroom (3)

Social Sciences (9 semester hours)

- POLS 101 - American Government (3)
- Select 2 of the following courses:
 - ARKE 205 - Principles of Archaeology (3) or ARKE 225 - Introduction to North American Archaeology (3)
 - ECON 201 - Principles of Macroeconomics (3)
 - GEOG 102 - Human Geography (3) or GEOG 103 - World Regional Geography (3)
 - HIST 101 - Western Civilizations (3)
 - HIST 131 - United States History (3)
 - HIST 132 - United States History (3)
 - HIST 225 - History of Colorado (3)
 - HIST 315 - American Indian History (3)
 - HIST 316 - American Slavery (3)
 - HIST 320 - The American West (3)
 - HIST 331 - The 20th Century (3)
 - HIST 344- The Age of Industry in America (3)
 - HIST 345 - History of Immigration, Race and Ethnicity in America (3)
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Science (6 semester hours)

Select natural sciences courses from approved Essential Learning list or BIOL 209 or BIOL 210:

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Art (3 semester hours)

- ARTD 410 - Elementary Art Education Methods (3)

Elementary Education Concentration: Social Science (15 semester hours)

Social Science Content Area Required Courses (9 semester hours)

- HIST 102- Western Civilizations (3)
- ANTH 202 - Introduction to Anthropology (3)
- POLS 236 - State and Local Government (3)

Social Science Concentration Electives (6 semester hours)

- Select two of the following courses:
 - HIST 300 - History of England to 1660 (3)
 - HIST 301 - History of Modern Britain (3)
 - HIST 302 - History of Modern France (3)
 - HIST 303 - History of Modern Germany (3)

HIST 330 - History of 19th Century Europe (3)
 HIST 331 - The 20th Century (3)
 HIST 350 - Renaissance and Reformation (3)
 HIST 360 - Medieval Europe (3)
 HIST 400 - The Soviet Union and Eastern Europe (3)
 HIST 430 - The Ancient Mediterranean World (3)
 HIST 445 - The Holocaust (3)
 HIST 450 - European History and Film (3)
 HIST 310 - Latin American Civilization (3)
 HIST 333 - The International History of the Cold War (3)
 HIST 334 - History of the British Empire (3)
 HIST 340 - History of the Middle East (3)
 HIST 403 - East Asia and the Modern World (3)
 HIST 406 - History of the African Continent (3)
 HIST 305 - The Old South (3)
 HIST 342 - The Early American Republic (3)
 HIST 344 - The Age of Industry in America (3)
 HIST 345 - The History of Immigration, Race, and Ethnicity in America (3)
 HIST 346 - The 1950's and 1960's (3)
 HIST 347 - Global America: 1970-2000 (3)
 HIST 370 - Early U.S. Women's History (3)
 HIST 371 - 20th Century U.S. Women's History (3)
 HIST 415 - Colonial America (3)
 HIST 416 - The American Revolution (3)
 HIST 420 - Civil War (3)
 HIST 315 - American Indian History (3)
 HIST 316 - American Slavery (3)
 HIST 320 - The American West (3)
 HIST 332 - History of Modern Warfare (3)
 HIST 355 - Ancient and Medieval Cities (3)
 HIST 375 - American Sports History (3)
 HIST 394 - Junior Seminar in Historiography (3)
 HIST 396 - Topics (1-3)
 HIST 405 - Introduction to Public History (3)
 HIST 409 - Material Culture Studies (3)
 HIST 410 - Environmental History (3)
 HIST 425 - The History of Sexuality (3)
 HIST 435 - Classical Archaeology (3)
 HIST 440 - Early & Medieval Christianity (3)
 HIST 496 - Topics (1-3)

Elementary Education Requirements (38 semester hours) (840 field experience hours)

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- EDUC 115 - What It Means to be an Educator (1) (8 field experience hours)
- EDUC 215 - Teaching as a Profession (1) (12 field experience hours)
- EDUC 341 - Pedagogy and Assessment: K-6/Elementary (3) (20 field experience hours)
- EDUC 343 - Teaching to Diversity (3) (20 field experience hours)
- EDUC 374 - Exceptional and English Language Learners in the Inclusive Classroom (3)
- EDUC 378 - Technology for K-12 Educators (1)
- EDUC 440 - Methods of Teaching Language and Literacy: Early Childhood (3) (40 field experience hours)

- EDUC 441 - Methods of Teaching Language and Literacy: Elementary (3) (80 field experience hours)
- EDUC 451 - Methods of Teaching Mathematics: Early Childhood/Elementary (3) (60 field experience hours)
- EDUC 461 - Methods of Teaching Science and Social Science: Early Childhood/Elementary (3)
- EDUC 471 - Educational Assessment (1)
- EDUC 475 - Classroom Management (1)
- EDUC 499C - Teaching Internship and Colloquia: Elementary (12) (600 field experience hours)

All EDUC prefix courses listed above must be completed with a grade of "B" or better to progress through the program sequence.

SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCING

Freshman Year, Fall Semester: 16 credits

- ENGL 111 - English Composition (3)
- Essential Learning – Fine Arts (3)
- Essential Learning – Geology (3)
- Essential Learning - History (3)
- KINA Activity (1)
- POLS 101 - American Government (3)

Freshman Year, Spring Semester: 17 credits

- EDUC 115 - What It Means to be an Educator (1)
 - Elementary Core – Natural Sciences (3)
 - ENGL 112 - English Composition (3)
 - Essential Learning - Humanities (3)
 - Essential Learning – Social and Behavioral Sciences (3)
 - KINE 100 – Health and Wellness (1)
 - MATH 105 – Elements of Math I (3)
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Sophomore Year, Fall Semester: 16 credits

- Essential Learning - Biology (3) and Biology Lab (1)
- Elementary Core – Social Science (3)
- HIST 102 – Western Civilization (3)
- MATH 205 - Elements of Mathematics II (3)
- PSYC 233 - Human Growth and Development (3)

Sophomore Year, Spring Semester: 17 credits

- ANTH 202 – Introduction to Anthropology (3)
 - EDUC 215 - Teaching as a Profession (1)
 - Elementary Core – Natural Science (3)
 - Elementary Core – Social Science (3)
 - ENGL 240 - Children’s Literature (3)
 - ESSL 200 - Essential Speech (1)
 - ESSL 290 - Maverick Milestone (3)
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Junior Year, Fall Semester: 18 credits

- EDUC 341 - Pedagogy and Assessment: K-6/Elementary (3)
- EDUC 343 - Teaching to Diversity (3)
- ENGL 343 – Language Systems and Linguistic Diversity (3)
- MATH 301 – Mathematics for Elementary Teachers (3)
- POLS 236 - State and Local Government (3)
- Social Science Concentration Course (3)

Junior Year, Spring Semester: 16 credits

- EDUC 374 - Exceptional and English Language Learners in the Inclusive Classroom (3)
 - EDUC 378 - Technology for K-12 Educators (1)
 - EDUC 440 - Methods of Teaching Language and Literacy: Early Childhood (3)
 - ENGL 451 – Understanding and Using English Grammar (3)
 - KINE 321 – Physical Activity and Health in the Classroom (3)
 - Social Science Concentration Course (3)
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Senior Year, Fall Semester: 13 credits

- ARTD 410 - Elementary Art Education Methods (3)
- EDUC 441 - Methods of Teaching Language and Literacy: Elementary (3)
- EDUC 451 - Methods of Teaching Mathematics: Early Childhood/Elementary (3)
- ECUC 461 - Methods of Teaching Science and Social Science: Early Childhood/Elementary (3)
- EDUC 471 - Educational Assessment (1)

Senior Year, Spring Semester: 13 credits

- EDUC 475 - Classroom Management (1)
 - EDUC 499C - Teaching Internship and Colloquia: Elementary (12) (600 field experience hours)
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