

**BEACON PROGRAM CHECKLIST
ELEMENTARY CERTIFICATION
(Grades 1-6)**



Education Department

Grade	Course #	Course Title / Fill in blank when choice is allowed	Credit Hours	Elem Ed Content Area Minor	Elem Ed Minor	Upper Level	Field Experience (observation hours)
Foundational Courses							
	COLL 133	General Education Foundations Seminar	3				
	ENGL 133W	First Year Writing Seminar (<i>or ENGL 112 if taken previously or transferred in</i>)	3	Engl/Lang Arts			
Civic Engagement							
	Choose one from:	HIST 121, HIST 122, or POSC 111	3	Social/Cultural Studies			
	ANTH/SOCI 270	Diversity and Society	3	Social/Cultural Studies	X		
Creative Thinking and Experience							
	ARTS 105	Art Appreciation	3	Social/Cultural Studies			
Ethical Reasoning							
	EDUC 200	Law, Ethics, and Education	3	Social/Cultural Studies	X		
Human Experience							
	PSYC 101	General Psychology	3	Social/Cultural Studies			
Mathematical Reasoning							
	Choose one from:	MATH 150 or MATH 110 (<i>MATH 150 recommended for help with MoGEA and MoCA</i>)	3	Math and Science			
Reasoning in Natural Science							
	Choose one from:	BIOL/CHEM/ENVS 105 or any BIOL/CHEM/ENVS/FRSC/PHYS/GEOL lecture/lab combination	3-5	Math and Science			
Communication Competence							
	COMM 110	Introduction to Speech	3				
	EDUC 300	Techniques of Teaching	3		X	X	15 hrs
Global Awareness							
	Choose one from:	HIST 111, HIST 112, SOCI/ANTH 112, ENGL 264W, ARTS 111 (<i>NOTE: ENGL 264W recommended as it will work for this GE requirement and for a WI course below</i>)	3	Social/Cultural Studies			
Environmental Stewardship							
	GEOG 101	Introduction to Geography	3	Social/Cultural Studies			
Electives							
	Any	<i>Non-EDUC GE Elective to fulfill degree hours requirement (see specifications on which courses could work)</i>	3				

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Any	Non-EDUC GE electives course that is officially identified as "writing intensive" - contact Education Office for an approved list of options (Only 3 hrs needed if ENGL 264W taken above)	3-6	Note: number of writing electives needed depends on catalog year; see advisor			
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English/Language Arts Content Area Minor (remaining courses)

EDUC 270	Literature for Children and Adolescents	3	Engl/Lang Arts			
EDUC 280	Language Acquisition and Emergent Literacy	3	Engl/Lang Arts	X		
EDUC 331	Teaching of Reading	3	Engl/Lang Arts	X	X	15 hrs
EDUC 337W	Teaching Language Arts in Middle and Elementary Schools	3	Engl/Lang Arts	X	X	
EDUC 338W	Teaching Reading in the Content Area	3	Engl/Lang Arts	X	X	15 hrs
EDUC 380W	Diagnostic and Corrective Reading	3	Engl/Lang Arts	X	X	

Math and Science Content Area Minor (remaining courses)

CDEV 106	Child Health, Nutrition, and Safety	3	Math and Science	X		
EDUC 358	Teaching Math in the Elementary School	3	Math and Science	X	X	15 hrs
EDUC 352	Teaching Science to Elementary Children	3	Math and Science	X	X	
MATH 102	Math for Elementary Teachers	3	Math and Science	X		
MATH 155	Algebraic Reasoning for Elementary and Middle School Teachers	3	Math and Science			
MATH 165	Geometric Reasoning for Elementary and Middle School Teachers	3	Math and Science			

Social and Cultural Studies Content Area Minor (remaining courses)

EDUC 230	Education Psychology	3	Social/Cultural Studies	X		
EDUC 354	Teaching Social Studies to Elementary Children	3	Social/Cultural Studies	X	X	
EDUC 390	Education & Psychology of the Exceptional Child	3	Social/Cultural Studies	X	X	
EDUC 396	Child and Adolescent Development (or EDUC 391 AND EDUC 392)	3	Social/Cultural Studies	X	X	

Elementary Education Certification Minor (remaining courses)

EDUC 100	Introduction to Education	3		X		15 hrs
EDUC 220	Methods of Teaching English Learners	3		X		
EDUC 311	Classroom Management Techniques	3		X	X	15 hrs
EDUC 322	Educational Measurement & Evaluation	3		X	X	
EDUC 335	Teaching Creative Arts and Movement to Children	3		X	X	
EDUC 400	Senior Seminar	3		X	X	
EDUC 425	Undergraduate Student Teaching	12		X	X	16 wks
		120-123	<i>Upper level hours</i>			54

Please note: certification will be Elementary Education, not content area certification

Retention Criteria:

- Complete at least 6 hours of professional education each year
- Complete Field Experiences and receive favorable evaluations from cooperating teachers and faculty supervisors
- Maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or above in professional education courses and content area courses

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