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Program: Elementary Education, B. A.

Express Transfer Agreement (ETA) with
Northwest College Wyoming

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This degree program leads to initial teaching licensure (leading to teaching licensure for Elementary Education in K-6).

Degree Requirements

This degree requires a minimum of 120 credits, 42 of which are upper-division credits.

University Studies Program

This degree requires that The University Studies Program 2015 requirements are met before graduation. Some of the courses required for this major fulfill USP requirements, but not all. Students should check their degree evaluations and consult with their assigned academic advisor to discuss their specific course plan.

Course Name	Credits	UW Course in Major	AA/AS/AB/ADN satisfies this USP
C 1-Communication 1 (COM1)	3		X
C 2-Communication 2 (COM2)	3		X
C 3-Communication 3 (COM3)	3	(Must be completed at UW)	
Q-Quantitative Reasoning (Q)	3		X
PN-Physical and Natural World (1) (PN)	3		X
PN-Physical and Natural World (2) (PN)	3		X
H-Human Culture (1) (H)	3		X
H-Human Culture (2) (H)	3		X
V-US & WY Constitution (V)	3		X
FYS or USP Elective-Any 3-credit hour of FYS or 3-credit hours of USP electives	3		X

Note: FYS courses have been paused. 3 hours from any additional USP designated courses is still required.

Professional Education Requirements

The Elementary program prepares students to seek licensure as a K-6 elementary teacher. A minimum of 120 credit hours is required for this degree program.

All major courses must be passed with a grade of C or better. A minimum UW cumulative GPA of 2.75 is required for most junior and senior level professional education courses, including EDEL 4500: Residency in Teaching. A minimum GPA of 2.50 in major content courses is required. The College of Education requires a UW cumulative GPA of 2.75 for graduation. A minimum of 42 credits must be upper division.

An initial background check must be completed prior to starting any field or practicum experience. Student fees cover the cost of this initial background check so work with your College of Education advisor for details.

Foundations All Professional Education requirements must be completed with a grade of C or higher.

Course Name	Credits	Northwest College	Sequencing at Northwest
EDEC 1020 - Introduction to Early Childhood Education OR EDEL 1200 - Introduction to Elementary Education	3	EDEC 1020 - Intro to Childhood Education OR EDFD 2020 - Foundations of Education Note 1	
EDST 2450 - Foundations of Development and Learning H	3	EDST 2450 - Foundations of Development and Learning	
ITEC 2360 - Teaching and Learning with Educational Technology	3	ITEC 2360 - Teaching With Technology	

Course Name	Credits	
EDEC 2000 - Engaging Families in Early Childhood Settings OR EDEX 2000 - Collaboration and Professional Relationships OR EDEL 2100 - Engaging Family and Community in Schools H	3	UW Course
EDST 3200 - Foundations of ESL Learning	3	UW Course
EDST 3480 - Schools and Society H	3	UW Course

Completion of EDST 2450 is a prerequisite for the following courses:

Course Name	Credits	Northwest College	Sequencing at Northwest
EDEX 2484 - Introduction to Special Education	3	EDEX 2484 - Introduction to Special Education	

Course Name	Credits	
EDST 3100 - Teacher as Practitioner C2	3	UW Course

A minimum of 2.75 UW cumulative GPA is required for registration. It is recommended that this requirement be completed concurrently with EDST 3101.

Assessment

Course Name	Credits	
EDST 2250 - Educational Assessment	3	UW Course

Practicum

An approved background check must be on file with the College of Education Student Success Center for registration and completion of these courses.

Course Name	Credits	Northwest College	Sequencing at Northwest
EDST 1200 - Practicum I	1	EDUC 2100 - Practicum in Teaching See Note 2	
EDST 2200 - Practicum 2	1	EDUC 2100 - Practicum in Teaching See Note 2	

Course Name	Credits	
EDST 3101 - Practicum 3 C2	2	UW Course

If EDEC 1020 is completed, EDST 1200 is not required.

A minimum of 2.75 UW cumulative GPA is required for registration. It is recommended that this requirement be completed concurrently with EDST 3100.

Methods

Course Name	Credits	
EDEC 4209 - Early Literacy Methods	3	UW Course
EDEL 3724 - Elementary Science Education	3	UW Course
EDEL 4109 - Elementary Humanities Education	5	UW Course
EDEL 4309 - Upper Elementary Literacy Education	3	UW Course
EDEL 4410 - Elementary Mathematics Edu C3	5	UW Course

Residency in Teaching

Course Name	Credits	
EDEL 4500 - Residency in Teaching (15 credits required)	1-16	UW Course

Elementary Education Content

Minimum 2.50 GPA required in major content. All major content courses must be completed with a grade of C or higher prior to enrollment in EDEL 4109, EDEC 4209, EDEL 4309, and EDEL 4410

Literacy

Course Name	Credits	Northwest College	Sequencing at Northwest
EDEL 2140 - Literacy Foundations	3	EDEL 2140 - Literacy Foundations	
EDEL 2280 - Literature for Children H	3	EDEL 2280 - Literature for Children	

Course Name	Credits	
EDEL 3720 - Literacy Difficulties	2	UW Course

Mathematics

Course Name	Credits	Northwest College	Sequencing at Northwest
MATH 1100 - Number and Operations for Elementary School Teachers	3	MATH 1100 - Number and Operations for Elementary Teachers	
MATH 1105 - Data, Probability, and Algebra for Elementary School Teachers Q	3	MATH 1105 - Data, Probability, and Algebra for Elementary Teachers	
MATH 2120 - Geometry & Measurement for Elementary School Teachers	3	MATH 2120 - Geometry and Measurement for Elementary Teachers	

Approved substitution for MATH 1105 includes one of the following options:
MATH 1400 or MATH 1405 or MATH 1450 AND STAT 2070 or STAT 2050 OR MATH 2200 or MATH 2350

Science

Sciences may be substituted with other approved PN sciences. Please see a College of Education advisor for additional information and substitution approval.

Course Name	Credits	Northwest College	Sequencing at Northwest
ASTR/GEOL 1070 - The Earth: Its Physical Environment PN	4		
LIFE 1020 - Life Science PN	4		
PHYS 1090 - The Fundamentals of the Physical Universe PN	4	CHEM/PHYS 1090 - Fundamentals of Physical Universe	

Social Sciences

Take ONE of the following:

Course Name	Credits	Northwest College	Sequencing at Northwest
GEOG 1000 - World Regional Geography H OR GEOG 1020 - Introduction to Human Geography H	3	GEOG 1000 - World Regional Geography	

Additional Social Studies course (The course completed to meet the USP U.S. & WY Constitution (V) requirement cannot be applied to this content requirement. Credits / Units: 3

Health

Course Name	Credits	Northwest College	Sequencing at Northwest
EDEL 2006 - Health for Elementary Educators	1	EDEL 2006 - Health for Elementary Educators	

Art

Course Name	Credits	Northwest College	Sequencing at Northwest
EDEL 2170 - Art in the Elementary School	3		

Elementary Education Electives

Students need a minimum of 9 credits of electives to complete their degree program. Students are strongly encouraged to apply elective hours toward a minor or endorsement, such as those in Early Childhood Education, English as a Second Language, American Sign Language and Computer Science.

Notes

Note 1: EDEL 1200 is only offered at UW but may be satisfied through substitution by EDFD 2020.
Note 2: EDUC 2100 is equivalent to *both* EDST 1200 + EDST 2200 at UW.

COURSE SUBSTITUTIONS: WyoTAGs reflect published equivalencies. UW academic departments occasionally arrange for course substitutions when indirect equivalencies exist. Please contact your UW Academic Advisor for details.

EFFECTIVE DATE: This document is in effect as of the 2026-2027 catalog year; it reflects the published UW curriculum as of that date. Any changes to the UW curriculum or the WYCC course equivalents will require this document to be updated. To request an updated document, faculty should contact transfer@uwyo.edu via email.