

Bachelor of Science: Elementary Education – **Para-to-ELED** Grades K-6

Course	Title	Credit	Semester
LEP/MNTC Courses Required for Admission to Teacher Preparation Program			
COMM XXX	Any Goal 1 COMM with COMM prefix (Minimum grade of C or better required for admission to TPP)	3	B, Su
ENG 151 or ENG 251	Academic Writing (Minimum grade of C or better required for admission to TPP) Writing in Professions	4 3	B, Su
MATH XXX	Any Goal 4 MATH with MATH prefix *See Math 129 below (Minimum grade of C or better required for admission to TPP)	3-5	B, Su
Standards of Effective Practice			
ED 101	Introduction to Education & LAB	3	B
ED 102	Educational Technology	2	B, Su
ED 251	Child and Adolescent Growth and Development	3	S, Su
ED 312	Human Relations and Diversity in Education	3	B, Su
ED 400	Foundations of Literacy & Literature *Pre-Requisites: ED 101, ED 102, and ED 251	2	B, Su
SPED 290	Introduction to Special Needs & LAB	3	B
TESL 431	Foundations of Teaching Multilingual Learners & LAB	3	B
ED 423	Effective Learning Environments for Classroom Management **	3	B
ED 458	Pre-Student Teaching Experience **	3	B
Elementary Education Content Methods			
ART 270	Art Education Elementary ** *Pre-Requisites: ED 101 & sophomore status	3	S, Su
HLTH 491	Elementary School Health Education **	2	B, Su
MATH 129	Mathematics for Elementary Education *Pre-Requisites: MATH 110, MATH 125, MATH 135, MATH 150, MATH 200 or a score of 24 on ACT Math	3	S
MUS 391	Teaching Music in Elementary Schools **	3	fe, so, Su
PE 381	Elementary School Physical Education ** *Pre-Requisites: ED 101	2	B, Su
ED 402	Early Literacy and Linguistics & LAB ** *	3	B
ED 404	Literacy Methods & LAB ** *Pre-Requisites: ED 402	3	B
ED 418	Kindergarten Methods & LAB ** *Pre-Requisites: ED 101	3	B
ED 424	Elementary Mathematics Methods & LAB **	3	B
ED 427	Mathematics for Educators II	2	B
ED 425	Elementary Science Methods & LAB **	3	B
ED 426	Elementary Social Studies Methods **	3	B
ED 453	Assessment in Education **	2	F
Student Teaching			
ED 460	Student Teaching in an Elementary Residency Program I **	12	B
ED 470	Student Teaching in an Elementary Residency Program II **		
ED 473	Teacher Licensure	0	B
Degree & Major Requirements			
	LEP/MnTC requirements (not all listed here)	45	
	Elementary Education requirements	72	
	Total credits required <i>Note: Students must complete a minimum of 120 credits in order to graduate with a bachelor's degree.</i>	117	

F = Fall S = Spring B = Both F & S Su = Summer

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Section 81 reserved for para-to-programs

** Courses that need to be taken at SMSU (not articulated) * Courses that meet Reading Standards: Includes [MN Dyslexia Standards](#). If equivalent courses are transferred in, the candidate will need to provide evidence of meeting the MN Dyslexia Standards or take ED 296 for one credit.

Tentative schedule of classes on next page.

This information is provided for advising. Official curriculum is published in the SMSU academic catalog: www.SMSU.edu/catalog/
Students should refer to the online catalog or their DARS report for current curriculum. This advising guide was updated: 7/7/2025

Year 1:

Fall Year 1:

ED 101 Introduction to Education & LAB (3 cr.)
ED 102 Educational Technology (2 cr.)
SPED 290 Introduction to Special Needs & LAB (3cr.)

Spring Year 1:

ED 251 Child Growth and Development (3 cr.)
ED 418 Kindergarten Methods & LAB (3 cr.)
MATH 129 Mathematics for Elementary Education (3 cr.)
MUS 391 Teaching Music in Elementary Schools (3 cr.) **Spring Year 1 OR Spring Year 2**
**Apply for admission to the [Teacher Preparation Program](#) (January 31 deadline)*

Summer Year 1:

ED 400 Foundations of Literacy & Literature (2 cr.)
ED 312 Human Relations (3 cr.)
HLTH 491 Elementary School Health Education **Odd Summer** **OR** PE 381 Elementary School Physical Education **Even Summer** (2 cr.)

Year 2:

Fall Year 2:

ED 402 Early Literacy and Linguistics & LAB (3 cr.)
ED 424 Elementary Mathematics Methods & LAB (3 cr.)
ED 425 Elementary Science Methods & LAB (3 cr.)
MUS 391 Teaching Music in Elementary Schools (3 cr.) **Spring Year 1 OR Spring Year 2**
**Apply for Pre-student teaching placement in September; complete degree check in November*

Spring Year 2:

ED 404 Literacy Methods & LAB (3 cr.)
ED 423 Effective Learning Environments for Classroom Management (3 cr.)
ED 427 Mathematics for Educators II
ED 458 Pre-Student Teaching Experience (3 cr.)
**Apply for student teaching in January*

Summer Year 2:

ART 270 Art Education Elementary (3 cr.)
HLTH 491 Elementary School Health Education **Odd Summer** **OR** PE 381 Elementary School Physical Education **Even Summer** (2 cr.)

Year 3:

Fall Year 3:

ED 426 Elementary Social Studies Methods (3 cr.)
ED 453 Assessment in Education (2 cr.)
ED 460 Student Teaching in an Elementary Residency Program I (6 cr.)

Spring Year 3:

TESL 431 Foundations of Teaching Multilingual Learners & LAB
ED 470 Student Teaching in an Elementary Residency Program II (6 cr.)
ED 473 Teacher Licensure (0 cr.)
**Graduation, apply for teacher licensure*

Lab hours and grade bands required on next page.

Course	Hours Required	Grade Band Required
<i>ED 101: Introduction to Education & LAB</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>K-6 General Education</i>
<i>SPED 290: Introduction to Special Needs & LAB</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>K-6 Special Education</i>
<i>ED 418: Kindergarten Methods & LAB</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>Kindergarten</i>
<i>ED 402: Early Literacy and Linguistics & LAB</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>K-3 General Education</i>
<i>ED 424: Elementary Mathematics Methods & LAB</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>K-6 General Education</i>
<i>ED 425: Elementary Science Methods & LAB</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>K-6 General Education</i>
<i>TESL 431: Foundations of Teaching Multilingual Learners & LAB</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>K-6 ESL Classroom or General Education with 10%+ EL Students</i>
<i>ED 404: Literacy Methods & LAB</i>	<i>15</i>	<i>Grades 4-6 General Education</i>
<i>ED 458: Pre-student Teaching Experience</i>	<i>10 days</i>	<i>K-6 General Education</i>
<i>ED 460: Student Teaching in an Elementary Residency Program I</i>	<i>12 weeks half-days</i>	<i>K-3 or Grades 4-6 General Education</i>
<i>ED 470: Student Teaching in an Elementary Residency Program II</i>	<i>12 weeks half-days</i>	<i>K-3 or Grades 4-6 General Education (opposite of 1st Half ST experience)</i>