

COURSE OF STUDY FOR BSE DEGREE IN ELEMENTARY EDUCATION (K-6) 2+2

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Freshman Year/ Hinds Community College

Fall Semester					Spring Semester				
Courses	Hrs	Term	Grade	Pts	Courses	Hrs	Term	Grade	Pts
ENG 1113 Comp 1	3				ENG 1123 Eng Comp 2	3			
HIS 1173 World History	3				HIS 2213 or HIS 2223 US	3			
SPT 1113 or SPT 2173 Fund/Speech	3				PSY 1513 Gen Psy	3			
BIO 1113/1111 Principles of Biology/Lab	4				MAT 1723 Num Sys	3			
MAT 1313	3				PHY 2243/2241 Phy Science/Lab	4			

Sophomore Year/ Hinds Community College

Fall Semester					Spring Semester				
Courses	Hrs	Term	Grade	Pts	Courses	Hrs	Term	Grade	Pts
ENG 2223 or ENG 2233 Am. Lit	3				ENG 2423 or ENG 2433 World Lit	3			
PSC 1113 Social Science	3				GEO 1113 or 1123 World Geo	3			
EPY 2513 or 2533 Hum Growth & Dev	3				EDU 1613 Foundations. In Education	3			
MAT 1733 Geo, Meas, & Prob.	3				ART 1913 Art for Elem	3			
ART 1113 or MUS 1113 Fine Arts Elective	3								

Junior Year/ DSU—Block 1 Courses

First Semester DSU					Second Semester DSU				
Courses	Hrs	Term	Grade	Pts	Courses	Hrs	Term	Grade	Pts
CSP 340 Special Education	3				BIO 334 Investigating Natural World	3			
CEL 310 Instructional Planning Ed	3				CEL 315 Early Literacy II	3			
CEL 314 Early Literacy I	3				CEL 312 Lang Art Elementary School	3			
PER 381 Health Physical Ed El Sch	3				EPY 341 Ed Psychology	3			
MAT 331 Math Through Problem Solving	3				CRD 325 Rd Int Sec Sch	3			
*CUR 302 Orientation & Fld Exp	1								

Senior Year/DSU—Block 2 Courses

Third Semester DSU					Fourth Semester DSU				
Courses	Hrs	Term	Grade	Pts	Courses	Hrs	Term	Grade	Pts
CEL 497 WE Diagnostic Eval Elem School	3				CEL 496 Dir Teaching Internship	9			
CEL 318 Principles Teach Middle Grades	3				CEL 393 Classroom Management	3			
CEL 317 Principles Teach Early Childhood	3								
STM 401 Elm Int Stem Tch Methods	3								
CRD 326 Diagnostic/Rem Rdg Difficulties	3								
CEL 496 Pre-Internship	3								

Summer Courses	Hrs	Term	Grade	Pts.
CEL 336 Survey Social Studies	3			

Praxis CORE	
ACT Score	

Endorsements:

Electives towards CONCENTRATIONS or ENDORSEMENT

Elective Courses	Hours	Term	Grade	Pts

*For Students who transferred an Introduction/Foundation course

Candidates with a major in Elementary Education must complete all course requirements for the Interdisciplinary Program of Studies and must also have two areas of concentration consisting of 18 semester hours* in each area. This program of study will enable the Delta State University graduate to earn K-6 certification in the State of Mississippi. Candidates pursuing middle level or high school level (7-12) certification must complete two 18-hour concentrations leading to approved endorsements. A grade of C or higher must be earned in each course leading to endorsement. In order to complete the above requirements, it may be necessary to complete more hours than noted in the DSU catalog. The number of additional hours will vary depending on the concentration chosen.

Interdisciplinary Program/DSU (K-6)

K-6 teacher education programs shall include:

- a minimum of 44 hours of core subjects in their program of study, to include
 1. English – 12 semester hours
 2. Mathematics – 12 semester hours
 3. Science – 9 semester hours
 4. Social Studies – 12 semester hours
 5. Fine Arts – 6 semester hours
- 2 areas (18 hours*) of concentration, and an interdisciplinary program of study (specialized course of study) which shall include:
 - Classroom Management – 3 semester hours
 - Reading – 15 semester hours
 - Special Education – 3 semester hours

Approved Concentrations that Lead to Endorsement

1. Art Education
2. English
3. Language (French, German, Latin, Italian, Russian, Spanish – all hours must be in one language area)
4. Physical Education
5. Mathematics
6. Music Education (if leading to endorsement, must be Music Education Instrumental or Music Education Vocal – all hours must be in one or the other)
7. General Science
8. Social Studies
9. Reading (specified program required for supplemental add-on endorsement in remedial reading)

*15 hours academic content courses + 3 hours academic content or academic pedagogy specific courses

Program Planning Information

1. Check the DSU catalog for prerequisites
2. It is recommended that courses be taken in the prescribed sequence.
3. In order to be admitted to Teacher Education, a candidate must obtain the following: Recommendation of Elementary Education faculty based on ratings on Dispositions Rating Scale (DRS) assessments: have 3.0 GPA OR 21 on ACT OR pass Praxis CORE Reading, Writing, and Math. Those opting to use the ACT or Core route must also have at least a 2.60 GPA with a 2.75 GPA minimum to graduate.

Praxis Core Academic Skills for Educators (CORE) Test Codes and Minimum Scores

CODE		SCORE
5713	Reading	156
5723	Writing	162
5733	Math	130

4. In addition, a grade of C or higher must be earned in all elementary coursework (prefix of CEL, CUR, CML, or CRD) and in all concentration courses leading to endorsement and in all courses with the MAT prefix and in BIO 334.
5. Advisors must approve all courses used in the two concentrations, including transfer courses. Advisors may approve 100 level courses in science and mathematics. MAT 100, CRD 102, CRD 103, 090 courses, or any other prerequisites for regular college credit will not be approved.
6. A course substitution must be approved by the advisor. A course substitution will be completed by the advisor for approval by the Division Chair and the Dean of Education.
7. Candidates must be admitted to Elementary Teacher Education in order to enroll in CEL 317, CEL 318, CRD 326, CEL 496, and CEL 497.
8. The last half of the total hours applied towards graduation must be earned at a senior college. See the Delta State University Bulletin (transfer credit).
9. In order to be admitted to internship, candidates must submit scores to the Office of Clinical Experiences, Licensure, and Accountability for all licensure exams. While passing the assessments is not a requirement for internship, those who do not receive passing scores will be required to attend remediation sessions by the program for credit in internship or senior seminar. Candidates must have a minimum overall GPA of 2.75 for admission to internship.

Licensure Tests:

	Score
Praxis II: Principles of Learning and Teaching Test (PLT 5622)	160
Praxis II: Elementary Education: Subject Assessment/Specialty Area (5017)	153
Foundations of Reading Test (190)	229

These must be passed in order to receive your teaching license.