EDUCATION - ASSOCIATE IN EDUCATION

The Associate degree in Education program at NMSU Grants Campus is designed to prepare students for transfer into the Teacher Education Program (TEP), a baccalaureate program at New Mexico State University. Alternatively, students may opt to transfer to a similar program at another four- year institution. The Education programs provides the courses required for entry into the Teacher Education Program (TEP) at NMSU.

*Education (Elementary Education) –*Advisement can focus on a specialization such as Science, Language Arts, Math, Social Studies, or Special Education depending upon individual interests.*

60 credits

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NOTE: It is recommended that students check the requirements for their planned bachelor's degree. Requirements may differ for some bachelor's degrees. See education advisor for course selection information. NMSU Las Cruces College of Education (https://catalogs.nmsu.edu/nmsu/health-education-social-transformation/) requirements.

Requirements and Limitations

1. Students in the Education Program are required to complete and pass a security background check in order to take field-experience courses. Past criminal violations may prevent a student from completing the degree and from being hired by school systems or other childcare facilities upon graduation.
2. Students must complete all Technical Requirement courses as well as the following courses with a C- or better.

Prefix	Title	Credits
ENGL 1110G	Composition I	4
ENGL 2221G	Writing in the Humanities and Social Science	3
MATH 1134	Fundamentals of Elementary Mathematics I	3
MATH 2134G	Fundamentals of Elementary Math II	3
MATH 1215	Intermediate Algebra	3

3. Students must have a 2.0 GPA to graduate from this program. However, a 2.5 GPA is required for acceptance into the Teacher Education Program at NMSU. For this reason, it is highly recommended that NMSU Grants students complete the Education Program with a 2.5 cumulative GPA.
4. Any education course more than seven years old taken at NMSU, NMSU community colleges, or other institutions will not be counted toward the student's baccalaureate program. It is highly recommended that students request a review of their cumulative coursework by the appropriate department at NMSU. The student must repeat any course not approved.

Students must complete all University degree requirements, which include: General Education requirements and elective credits to total at least 60 credits. Developmental coursework will not count towards the degree requirements and/or elective credits, but may be needed in order to take the necessary English and Mathematics coursework. New Mexico General Education (https://catalogs.nmsu.edu/grants/general-education/) courses.

Prefix	Title	Credits
General Education		
Area I: Communications		
English Composition - Level 1		
ENGL 1110G	Composition I	4
English Composition - Level 2		
ENGL 2221G	Writing in the Humanities and Social Science	3
Oral Communication		
COMM 1115G	Introduction to Communication	3
or COMM 1130G	Public Speaking	
Area II: Mathematics		
MATH 2134G	Fundamentals of Elementary Math II [1]	3
Area III: Laboratory Sciences		
Select two 4 credit courses, including lab, from two different areas.		8
ASTR 1115G	Introduction to Astronomy Lecture & Laboratory	
or ASTR 1120G	The Planets Lecture & Laboratory	
BIOL 1120G & BIOL 1120L	Human Biology and Human Biology Laboratory	
BIOL 1190G	Contemporary Problems in Biology	
BIOL 2110G & BIOL 2110L	Principles of Biology: Cellular and Molecular Biology and Principles of Biology: Cellular and Molecular Biology Laboratory	
CHEM 1120G	Introduction to Chemistry Lecture and Laboratory (non majors)	
CHEM 1215G	General Chemistry I Lecture and Laboratory for STEM Majors	
ENVS 1110G	Environmental Science I	
GEOL 1110G	Physical Geology	
GEOG 1110G	Physical Geography	
Area IV: Social/Behavioral Sciences		
CEPY 1120G	Human Growth and Behavior	3
Area V: Humanities		
HIST 1110G	United States History I	3
or HIST 1120G	United States History II	
Area VI: Creative and Fine Arts		
Select one from the following:		3
ARTH 1115G	Orientation in Art	
THEA 1110G	Introduction to Theatre	
General Education Elective		
HIST 1130G	World History I	3
or HIST 1140G	World History II	
Non-Departmental Requirements		
LING 2110G	Introduction to the Study of Language and Linguistics	3
MATH 1134	Fundamentals of Elementary Mathematics I	3
MATH 1215	Intermediate Algebra	3

Select one course from the following:		3
GEOG 1120G	World Regional Geography	
or GEOG 1130G	Human Geography	
POLS 1110G	Introduction to Political Science	
or POLS 1120G	American National Government	
Major Requirements		
Professional Education Core		
BLED 1110	Introduction in Bilingual Education/ESL	3
BLED 2110	Bilingual Methods	3
CEPY 2110	Learning in the Classroom	3
EDLT 2110	Integrating Technology with Teaching	3
Elective		*3*
Any Teaching Field course - See an Advisor [2]		
Total Credits		**60**

[1] Prerequisite: MATH 1134 Fundamentals of Elementary Mathematics I is a prerequisite to MATH 2134G. Additional prerequisites may be needed based on placement test results and/or course prerequisites. Visit with an advisor for help with creating your MATH sequence.

[2] Consult with the Education Program Manager to select an elective for your teaching field.

A Suggested Plan of Study for Students

This roadmap assumes student placement in MATH 1215 Intermediate Algebra and ENGL 1110G Composition I The contents and order of this roadmap may vary depending on initial student placement in mathematics and english. It is only a suggested plan of study for students and is not intended as a contract. Course availability may vary from fall to spring semester and may be subject to modification or change.Students will need a 2.75 GPA to be eligible to apply to a Teacher Education Program at NMSU.

First Year		
Fall		**Credits**
ENGL 1110G	Composition I	4
Area III: Laboratory Science Course [1]		4
CEPY 1120G	Human Growth and Behavior	3
ARTH 1115G	Orientation in Art	3
	Credits	**14**
Spring		
CEPY 2110	Learning in the Classroom	3
COMM 1115G or COMM 1130G	Introduction to Communication or Public Speaking	3
ENGL 2221G	Writing in the Humanities and Social Science	3
LING 2110G	Introduction to the Study of Language and Linguistics	3
MATH 1215	Intermediate Algebra	3
	Credits	**15**
Second Year		
Fall		
BLED 1110	Introduction in Bilingual Education/ESL	3
HIST 1130G or HIST 1140G	World History I or World History II	3
MATH 1134	Fundamentals of Elementary Mathematics I	3
Choose one from the following:		3
GEOG 1120G	World Regional Geography	
GEOG 1130G	Human Geography	
POLS 1110G	Introduction to Political Science	
POLS 1120G	American National Government	
Area III: Laboratory Science Course [1]		4
	Credits	**16**
Spring		
BLED 2110	Bilingual Methods	3
EDLT 2110	Integrating Technology with Teaching	3
HIST 1110G or HIST 1120G	United States History I or United States History II	3
MATH 2134G	Fundamentals of Elementary Math II	3
Elective Course (See advisor for options)		3
	Credits	**15**
	Total Credits	**60**

[1] See the General Education (https://catalogs.nmsu.edu/grants/general-education/) section of this catalog for a full list of courses.

Learning Outcomes

1. Students graduating from this program will be prepared to apply for and enter the Teacher Education Program at New Mexico State University for the remaining 2 years of their Baccalaureate program.
2. Students will have the knowledge and skills to transfer to any four-year institution in New Mexico.
3. Students will be prepared to enter the public schools as a teaching paraprofessional.

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