

EDUCATION (ELEMENTARY LICENSURE PREP) - MASTER OF ARTS

Elementary Licensure Prep

The School of Teacher Education & Educational Leadership at New Mexico State University offers an Elementary Teacher Education Program for individuals who have completed a bachelor's degree. The program is designed to meet the professional education course requirements for teacher licensure as a part of a Master of Arts in Education degree program.

All students wishing to complete a degree in Elementary Education must apply to the Teacher Education Program. Additional information on the application process can be obtained from the College of Education Educational Support and Resource Center or on the departmental website (<https://tpal.nmsu.edu/degree-programs/undergraduate-programs/ug-ee.html>). A 2.75 minimum GPA is required for admission to the Teacher Education Program, and a 2.75 minimum GPA must be maintained for graduation. *Students must earn a "C-" or better in all education, TEP prerequisite, endorsement, and teaching field courses.*

Program Completion Requirements:

1. Apply through NMSU Graduate School main webpage (<https://gradschool.nmsu.edu/>). Select Intended major "Education (Elementary Licensure Prep)" as this is the concentration you will pursue
2. After you receive an acceptance letter from the Department of Curriculum & Instruction, contact your faculty advisor within the first semester of enrollment
3. Complete the MATH 5110 Fundamentals of Elementary Mathematics I prerequisite course
4. Complete the Core Courses listed below, before admission into the Teaching Education Program

Admission to the Teacher Education Program (TEP):

1. Obtain application information at <https://tpal.nmsu.edu/admissions/tep-admission/> (<https://tpal.nmsu.edu/admissions/tep-admission.html>)
2. Make an appointment with the program director for a program of study before TEP portfolio
3. Pass Praxis Core Academic Exams: Reading, Writing, and Math. Information can be found at <https://www.ets.org/praxis/nm> (<https://www.ets.org/praxis/nm/>)
4. Submit TEP portfolio to the College of Education Advising Center no later than 12:00 pm (MST) on the 3rd Friday in February for Spring, the 3rd Friday in September for Fall, or the 3rd Friday in July for Summer. TEP portfolio must be successfully reviewed before enrolling in Teaching Methods Courses.

Completing Teaching Methods Block Courses:

1. Fall Block (see below)
2. Spring Block (see below)
3. Pass Praxis Elementary Education: Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment before or during Block B <https://www.ets.org/praxis/nm> (<https://www.ets.org/praxis/nm/>)
4. Earn a grade of B or better in all courses

Student Teaching Entry Portfolio (STEP)

1. Obtain application information at <https://tpal.nmsu.edu/degree-programs/undergraduate-programs/stia.html>
2. Make an appointment with the Program Director for a program of study
3. Before student teaching is approved, the Candidate must include passing scores for Praxis Elementary Education: Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment.
4. Submit Student Teaching Packet (STEP) on the 1st Friday in March for Spring and the 1st Friday in October in Fall.

Student Teaching- must be completed during the final semester

1. Take EDUC 5811 and EDUC 5810 concurrently during student teaching (16-week Student Teaching Internship and Seminar)
2. Pass Praxis Principles of Learning and Teaching: Grade K-6 and Teaching Reading: Elementary exams during student teaching semester <https://www.ets.org/praxis/nm> (<https://www.ets.org/praxis/nm/>)
3. Defend Evidence of Student Learning project during student teaching semester in EDUC 5811

Prefix	Title	Credits
Course List		
<i>TPAL Core Courses</i>		
SPED 5105	Introduction to Special Education in a Diverse Society (TEP Prerequisite)	3
EDUC 5120	Multicultural Education (TEP Prerequisite)	3
EDUC 5110	Exploration in Education (TEP Prerequisite)	3
EDUC 5160	Curriculum and Pedagogy (TEP Prerequisite)	3
EDUC 5130	Technology and Pedagogy	3
EDUC 5140	Research in Curriculum and Pedagogy	3
<i>Teaching Methods Block Courses</i>		
Fall Block		
READ 5320	Elementary School Literacy II	3
EDUC 5330	Methods of Teaching Elementary School Social Studies	3
Spring Block		
READ 5310	Elementary School Literacy I	3
EDUC 5310	Methods of Teaching Elementary School Science	3
EDUC 5320	Methods of Teaching Elementary School Mathematics	3
<i>Student Teaching Block</i>		
EDUC 5811	Teaching Methods Laboratory	3
EDUC 5810	Student Teaching	6
Total Credits		42

Full-time

All block Fall & Spring must be taken as a block in the same section.

First Year

Fall		Credits
Take Praxis Core Academic Skills. These courses are pre/corequisites for Teacher Education Program (TEP) portfolio submission.		
MATH 5110	Fundamentals of Elementary Mathematics I (Prerequisite Course)	
EDUC 5120	Multicultural Education	3

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SPED 5105	Introduction to Special Education in a Diverse Society	3
Credits		6

Spring

Apply to TEP. These courses are pre/corequisites for Teacher Education Program (TEP) portfolio submission.

EDUC 5110	Exploration in Education	3
EDUC 5160	Curriculum and Pedagogy	3
EDUC 5140	Research in Curriculum and Pedagogy	3
Credits		9

Second Year

Fall

Take Elementary Education: Curriculum, Instruction, and Assessment. RDG 5320 and EDUC 5330 require acceptance into TEP.

READ 5320	Elementary School Literacy II	3
EDUC 5330	Methods of Teaching Elementary School Social Studies	3
EDUC 5130	Technology and Pedagogy	3
Credits		9

Spring

Submit STEP Packet. These courses require acceptance into TEP.

READ 5310	Elementary School Literacy I	3
EDUC 5310	Methods of Teaching Elementary School Science	3
EDUC 5320	Methods of Teaching Elementary School Mathematics	3
Credits		9

Third Year

Fall

Take Principles of Learning and Teaching: Grades K-6 and Teaching Reading: Elementary. These two courses require acceptance into TEP.

EDUC 5811	Teaching Methods Laboratory	3
EDUC 5810	Student Teaching	6
Credits		9
Total Credits		42