

Bachelor of Arts in Education

Elementary Education

CWU-Yakima

A University in Your Community

Program Overview

Central Washington University's Bachelor of Arts in Education degree with a major in Elementary Education (K-8) and a department-selected minor is available to community college graduates with a two-year transfer associates degree (DTA) or a bachelor or greater degree from an accredited college. Successful completion of this degree and other teacher certification requirements, including the state endorsement examinations, will lead to a Washington State teaching certificate with an elementary education endorsement.

Program Requirements

Meet CWU's general education requirements through either a community college direct transfer degree (DTA) or a baccalaureate degree from any state accredited college/university. Full admission to CWU's Teacher Certification program (see www.cwu.edu/~cert/ for application process/materials), including passing all portions of the WA Educator Skills Test - Basic (WEST-B): see website www.west.nesinc.com. Minimum GPA of 3.0 for the last 45 quarter credits (3.0 necessary to complete program), and completion of specific course requirements.

Specific Course Requirements

There are specific courses required to enter the CWU-Yakima education program. These courses include course work in math, psychology and education offered at YVCC. See the TAPP worksheet for specific courses required.

Application

1. Visit the CWU-Yakima Center early in your academic career.
2. Apply for admission to Central Washington University. Complete and submit the online application found at: www.cwu.edu/~cwuadmis. Bring or mail a copy of the completed document to CWU-Yakima.
3. Apply to the Teacher Preparation Program (TPP) at CWU. Download and complete the TPP Application at www.cwu.edu/~cert. Submit Application, Character and Fitness Supplement, and Fingerprinting/Certification Requirements forms to CWU-Yakima. Have letter of recommendation forms sent directly to TEP.
4. Submit official electronic transcripts to CWU-Ellensburg and a hard copy to CWU-Yakima from any colleges or universities you have attended. Continue to submit official transcripts quarterly until degree is posted or required coursework is complete.

Curriculum

PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION CURRICULUM

EDCS 300	Pre-Autumn Field Experience	4
EDCS 311	Teaching: Classroom Management and Assessment	5
EDCS 316	Educational Technology.....	3
EDCS 431	Multicultural Education.....	3
EDCS 442	Student Teaching	16
EDCS 444	Educational Issues & Law	3
EDF 301	Teaching: An Orientation (3)	1-3
	or EDF 301A Introduction to Teacher Education (1)	
EDSE 302	Introduction to Students with Exceptionalities	4
PSY 314	Human Development and the Learner.....	4
PSY 315	Educational Psychology.....	4

ELEMENTARY EDUCATION MAJOR

ART 330	Art in the Elementary School.....	4
EDEL 323	Teaching Elementary School Mathematics.....	4
EDEL 420	Methods and Materials in the Social Sciences - Elementary	3
EDLT 308	Literacy I.....	3
EDLT 309	Literacy II	5
EDLT 420	Teaching the Language Arts.....	4
EDLT 421	Teaching Children’s Literature	3
HED 446	Health Education for Elementary Teachers	3
MUS 326	Music in the Classroom	3
PE 334	Physical Education Activities for the Elementary School	3
SCED 322	Science Education in the Elementary Classroom.....	3
	Department-approved Electives.....	7

ELEMENTARY EDUCATION MINORS

Literacy Minor.....	29
Special Education Minor (SPED)	33
Teaching English as a Second Language Minor (TESL)	30-31

Additional Resources

For information about CWU’s Certification program, visit www.cwu.edu/~cert. For information about the teaching profession in general, visit www.teachwashington.org.

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