

**BEACON PROGRAM CHECKLIST  
ELEMENTARY CERTIFICATION  
(Grades 1-6)**



**Education Department**

Grade	Course #	Course Title / Fill in blank when choice is allowed	Credit Hours	Elem Ed Content Area Minor	Elem Ed Minor	Upper Level	Field Experience (observation hours)
<b>Basic Studies</b>							
	COLL 133	General Education Foundations Seminar	3				
	ENGL 133W	First Year Writing Seminar ( <i>or ENGL 112 if taken previously or transferred in</i> )	3	Engl/Lang Arts			
<b>Civic Engagement</b>							
	Choose one from:	HIST 121, HIST 122, or POSC 111	3	Social/Cultural Studies			
	ANTH/SOCI 270	Diversity and Society	3	Social/Cultural Studies	X		
<b>Creative Thinking and Experience</b>							
	ARTS 105	Art Appreciation	3	Social/Cultural Studies			
<b>Ethical Reasoning</b>							
	EDUC 200	Law, Ethics, and Education	3	Social/Cultural Studies	X		
<b>Human Experience</b>							
	PSYC 101	General Psychology	3	Social/Cultural Studies			
<b>Mathematical Reasoning</b>							
	Choose one from:	MATH 150 or MATH 110 ( <i>MATH 150 recommended for help with MoGEA and MoCA</i> )	3	Math and Science			
<b>Reasoning in Natural Science</b>							
	Choose one from:	BIOL/CHEM/ENVS 105 or any BIOL/CHEM/ENVS/FRSC/PHYS/GEOL lecture/lab combination	3-5	Math and Science			
<b>Communication Competence</b>							
	COMM 110	Public Speaking	3				
<b>Global Awareness</b>							
	Choose one from:	HIST 112, SOCI/ANTH 112, ENGL 264, ARTS 111	3	Social/Cultural Studies			
<b>Environmental Stewardship</b>							
	GEOG 101	Introduction to Geography	3	Social/Cultural Studies			
<b>Electives</b>							
	Any	<i>non-EDUC GE</i> elective course that is officially identified as "writing intensive" - contact Education Office for an approved list of options	3-6	<i>Note: number of writing electives needed depends on catalog year; see advisor</i>			

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	Any	<i>Elective to fulfill degree hours requirement</i>	1-3	<i>Note: only required if 120-hr minimum not met</i>			
<b>English/Language Arts Content Area Minor (remaining courses)</b>							
	EDUC 270	Literature for Children and Adolescents	3	Engl/Lang Arts			
	EDUC 280	Language Acquisition and Emergent Literacy	3	Engl/Lang Arts	X		
	EDUC 331	Teaching of Reading	3	Engl/Lang Arts	X	X	15 hrs
	EDUC 337W	Teaching Language Arts in Middle and Elementary Schools	3	Engl/Lang Arts	X	X	
	EDUC 338	Teaching Reading in the Content Area	3	Engl/Lang Arts	X	X	15 hrs
	EDUC 380W	Diagnostic and Corrective Reading	3	Engl/Lang Arts	X	X	
<b>Math and Science Content Area Minor (remaining courses)</b>							
	CDEV 106	Child Health, Nutrition, and Safety	3	Math and Science	X		
	EDUC 358	Teaching Math in the Elementary School	3	Math and Science	X	X	15 hrs
	EDUC 352	Teaching Science to Elementary Children	3	Math and Science	X	X	
	MATH 102	Math for Elementary Teachers	3	Math and Science	X		
	MATH 155	Algebraic Reasoning for Elementary and Middle School Teachers	3	Math and Science			
	MATH 165	Geometric Reasoning for Elementary and Middle School Teachers	3	Math and Science			
<b>Social and Cultural Studies Content Area Minor (remaining courses)</b>							
	EDUC 230	Education Psychology	3	Social/Cultural Studies	X		
	EDUC 354	Teaching Social Studies to Elementary Children	3	Social/Cultural Studies	X	X	
	EDUC 390	Education & Psychology of the Exceptional Child	3	Social/Cultural Studies	X	X	
	EDUC 396	Child and Adolescent Development (or EDUC 391 <b>AND</b> EDUC 392)	3	Social/Cultural Studies	X	X	
<b>Elementary Education Certification Minor (remaining courses)</b>							
	EDUC 100	Introduction to Education	3		X		15 hrs
	EDUC 220	Methods of Teaching English Learners	3		X		
	EDUC 300	Techniques of Teaching	3		X	X	
	EDUC 311	Classroom Management Techniques	3		X	X	15 hrs
	EDUC 322	Educational Measurement & Evaluation	3		X	X	
	EDUC 335	Teaching Creative Arts and Movement to Children	3		X	X	
	EDUC 400	Senior Seminar	3		X	X	
	EDUC 425	Undergraduate Student Teaching	12		X	X	16 wks
		<i>Total Hours</i>	121-126	<i>Upper level hours</i>		54	

Please note: certification will be Elementary Education, not content area certification

**Retention Criteria:**

- Complete at least 6 hours of professional education each year
- Complete Field Experiences and receive favorable evaluations from cooperating teachers and faculty supervisors
- Maintain a cumulative GPA of 3.0 or above in professional education courses and content area courses

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