

## Descriptions of Elementary Education Program Options

Students pursuing elementary education have five program options from which to choose. You must identify your level of interest for each option prior to the Admissions Board interview.

### Alcoa/Lenoir City

These two school systems both offer collaborative planning with 4-6 team members. Both schools include ESL and special needs students in the regular classroom. Each program offers a diverse experience; 20% Hispanic in Lenoir City and 25% African American attending Alcoa. Contact Dr. Mary Ann Blank, mblank@utk.edu or Jane Qualls, lqualls2@utk.edu for more information.

### Anderson County

Program includes schools in Anderson County. All schools are Title I school-wide schools; 50% of the student population receive free or reduced-price lunch. Contact Dr. Susan Newsom, snewsom3@utk.edu for more information.

### Knox County

Students will serve in Brickey-McCloud (suburban) and Norwood Elementary (Title I) schools. Interns will have experience at both schools, with one being their primary placement and the other as a six-week rotation. Contact Dr. Kristin Rearden, krearden@utk.edu for more information.

### Roane County

Students will work in one of three different schools, with each K-5 school having a unique size, culture, and community. Most interns will have experiences at two of the three schools, and graduate coursework is provided on-site. Contact Dr. Amy Broemmel, broemmel@utk.edu for more information.

### Urban/Multicultural

Prepares K-6 teachers to work in urban/multicultural schools. You will go through the program as a cohort, and most graduate courses will be team-taught. Extensive experience in Knox County schools is built into the program. Contact Dr. Gina Barclay-McLaughlin, gmclaugh@utk.edu for more information.

Contact your licensure advisor for a more detailed explanation of each of the program options.  
865-974-8194



## The Professional Year

The following conditions must be met to progress to the professional year:

- B.A./B.S. degree conferred, including required licensure courses
- Elementary Education minor or equivalent
- Minimum 2.50 GPA in major
- Minimum 2.80 GPA in professional education
- Minimum 2.70 cumulative GPA, all college work calculated



COURSE TITLE	CREDITS	
	FALL	SPRING
__ED.574 "Analysis of Teaching for Professional Development"	2	
__ED.575 "Professional Internship in Teaching"	4	8
__ED.591 "Clinical Studies"		4
__EL.ED. 505 "Elementary and Middle School Teaching Methods II: Development and Application of Methods of Teaching Language Arts, Mathematics, Reading, Science, and Social Studies"	6	
<b>TOTAL CREDITS</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>12</b>

NOTE: Teacher licensure is granted at the successful completion of the professional year and appropriate Praxis II examinations. To complete the master's degree, twelve (12) additional credits may be completed either before or after the conclusion of the professional year. The credits must be completed within a five-year period following the professional year.

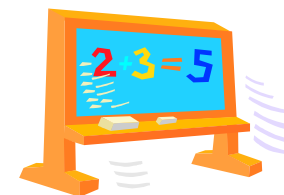
Consult a faculty advisor with more specific course questions.

# The University of Tennessee Elementary Education Teacher Licensure Program



### Learn about...

- Earning a B.S. or B.A. from the College of Arts and Sciences
- Program Admissions Requirements
- Receiving a minor in Elementary Education
- The 5th year internship
- Licensure Requirements
- Completing a M.S. degree



## Grades K-6

College of Education, Health, and Human Sciences  
Office of Professional Licensure  
332 Bailey Education Complex  
Call (865) 974-8194 to schedule a teacher education advising appointment  
<http://web.utk.edu/~cehhsstu/advising/default.html>

## Program Admission Requirements

Teacher preparation at the University of Tennessee, Knoxville, is a five-year process. Prior to interviewing students must:

- Maintain a 2.7 GPA or higher in all college work.
- Complete 60 hours of coursework.
- Satisfactory Praxis I: PPST scores (if applicable)  
**\*\*Students with an Enhanced ACT (ENACT) composite score of 22 or an RSAT composite score of 1020 are exempt**  
**\*\*Passing scores on the Praxis I:PPST are: Math 173; Reading 174; Writing 173**
- Complete a speech and hearing screening  
 -screenings occur prior to classes each semester in August and January  
 -Check-in at room 309  
 Bailey Education Complex between 9:00-12:00 or 1:00-4:00(no appt. needed) to complete a scan form required for the screening.
- Complete a successful Admissions Board interview.



## Factors Affecting Program Admission

- **GPA:** An overall GPA of 2.70 is required to interview.
- **Experience with young people:** Experience can be obtained through Education 100, volunteer work with community groups, e.g., Boys and Girls Club, YMCA, Big Brother programs
- **Interview Skills:** Demonstrate strong interview skills, you may want to complete a mock interview through Career Services (career.utk.edu)
- **Overall understanding of the process:** Make sure you understand the process laid out in this brochure.

## Required Course Selection Relative to the College of Arts and Sciences Distribution Requirements

During the freshmen and sophomore years, you will be completing courses to fulfill Arts and Sciences distribution requirements.

Within, or in addition to, the distribution requirements, all Elementary Education candidates must have representation of the following for TN State Licensure: (these courses may also fulfill Natural Science requirements)

\*Biological science      \*Astronomy  
 \*Chemistry                \*Earth Science  
 \*Physics

### Recommended options:

- #1: 2-semester lab sequence w/Bio 101-102  
 1 astronomy elective (recommended: Astron. 151)  
 #2: 2-semester lab sequence w/Astron. 161-162  
 1 biological science (recommended Anthro. 110)

### Candidates must also meet licensure requirements in:

- >U.S. History or U.S. Political Science
- >Economics
- >Geography
- >6 hours of Math

### Recommended course selection:

- \*Political Science 101 or 102
- \*Economics 201
- \*Geography 101
- \*Math 113 & 115 (Note: Computer Science 101 or 102 may not be used)



\*\*\*Other courses may be selected. Individuals who have already completed a U.S. history course will not need a political science course to fulfill this requirement. Students must, however, be sure to fulfill requirements for Social Science, List A and B (see Arts and Sciences Curriculum Guide). Consult your teacher education advisor for additional options.

## Elementary Education Minor (Grades K-6)

In addition to fulfilling requirements in Arts and Sciences, you will complete a minor in Elementary Education by taking the following courses. All of the courses listed below, with the exception of Educational Psychology 210 and Information Sciences 330, are restricted and require admittance to the Teacher Education Program before you may register for them. A minimum 2.80 GPA in the minor is required; a grade of "D" cannot be accepted in the education minor.

	<b>Credits</b>
___ Educational Psychology 210	3
"Psychoeducational Issues in Human Devp."	
___ Information Science 330	3
"Books and Related Material for Children"	
___ Theory and Practice in Teacher Education 486	3
"Introduction to Instructional Computing"	
___ Reading Education 430	2
"Literacy Instruction in the Elementary Grades"	
___ <b>Educational Psychology 401</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>"Professional Studies: Applied Educational Psychology"</b>	
___ <b>Special Education 402</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>"Professional Studies: Special Education And Diverse Learners"</b>	
___ Elementary Education 351	2
<b>"Laboratory and Field Studies in Elementary Education"</b>	
___ Elementary Education 422	6
<b>"Elementary Teaching Methods 1: Language Arts, Mathematics, Reading, Science, Social Studies"</b>	

25

**Courses in bold are to be taken during the spring prior to the internship.**



Note: Elementary Education candidates may choose any major in the College of Arts and Sciences. For information on available majors, visit: <http://www.artsci.utk.edu/advising>.