## **ELEMENTARY EDUCATION ACADEMIC MAP: DEGREE BA (120 CREDIT HOURS)**

This degree map is a semester-by-semester course schedule for students majoring in Elementary Education with certification (Grade K-5). The milestones listed to the right of each semester are designed to keep you on track to graduate in four years. The schedule serves as a general guideline to help you build a full schedule each semester. Milestones are courses and special requirements necessary for timely progress to complete a major. When you miss one or more milestones, you should consult with an academic advisor to determine if another degree path would be more suitable for you.

The Elementary Education program of study leads to the bachelor's degree and eligibility for certification as a teacher of grades K-5 in Tennessee schools. The professional education courses are NCATE/CAEP accredited thus making graduates from the program eligible for certification in states beyond Tennessee. Candidates will study classroom management, teaching methodologies in elementary subject areas, assessment and intervention strategies, and how to work with diverse student populations including exceptional students. Most of these courses require field experiences in local public schools. At the beginning of the senior year, the office of Teacher Education and Student Services conducts an orientation session and provides Student Teaching Handbook to all candidates. In semesters 7 and 8 the candidate will participate in a one-year clinical residency student teaching program. Pre-service teachers are paired with an in-service mentor teacher where a coteaching model is practiced. Also, the pre-service teacher will be observed and guided by a master clinician several times in each semester.

This map is a semester by semester course schedule that should be followed. If course sequence and milestones are not followed, then the degree completion, teacher certification, and graduation are lengthened beyond the four-year schedule presented here. The student is encouraged to stay on track with the liberal studies and elective courses. Milestones are courses and special requirements necessary for timely progression to complete the major. If a milestone is missed, then it will mean the candidate cannot move to the next course block and potentially not enter teacher education for the professional course work.

## --INSERT NARRATIVE--

Tennessee State University recognizes that students have diverse learning, life, and professional experiences. The University provides opportunities for students to earn college credit toward the degree through a number of assessment options that evaluate their learning experiences. These paths are grouped under the category "Prior Learning Assessment" (PLA). Various means of earning PLA credit at TSU are the following: Advance Placement Program, American Council of Education (ACE) Military Credit, American Council on Education (ACE) other Assessed Credit, College Level Exam Program (CLEP), DSST Credit by Examination Program (includes DANTES Examination), Institutional Course Challenge Exams (Departmental Exams), International Baccalaureate Credit, Other Military Service, Portfolio Assessment. To learn more about PLA contact your academic advisor or the Office of Student Support Services for Adult and Distance Learners (615) 963-7001.

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Fall Schedule		Milestones
Semester 1	Hrs.	Semester 1
ENGL 1010	3	Pre-Requisite Course: Must be taken before HIST 2010, HIST 2020, HIST
		2030, HIST 2050, HIST 2060 or HIST 2700; Minimum grade "C" Required
BIOL 1010	4	
MATH 1410	3	
COMM 2200	3	
UNIV 1001*	1	
Total hours	14	

<sup>\*</sup>An Orientation course taken at another University does **NOT** meet this requirement. Students with less than 60 credit hours must take UNIV 1000 at TSU.

Spring Schedule		Milestones
Semester 2	Hrs.	Semester 2
ENGL 1020	3	Pre-Requisite Course: Must be taken before HIST 2010, HIST 2020, HIST

		2030, HIST 2050, HIST 2060 or HIST 2700; Minimum grade "C" Required
MATH 1420	3	
GEOG 1010/1020	3	
CHEM 1110/CHEM 1111*	4	
HIST 2010	3	
Total hours	16	

<sup>\*</sup>The Department recommends CHEM 1110/CHEM1111; however, BIOL 1010/1011, BIOL 2210/2211, PHYS 2010/2011 or ASTR 1010 satisfy this requirement.

Fall Schedule		Milestones
Semester 3	Hrs.	Semester 3
		Declare Elementary Education as Major and meet with Elementary
		Education Academic Advisor.
		Pass Praxis I Exams—Reading (qualifying score 156), Writing (qualifying
		score 162), Math (qualifying score 150) before applying for admission to
		Teacher Education.
ENGL Literature*	3	
EDCI 2010	3	
MATH 1110	3	
HIST 2020	3	
MUSC 1010 or ART 1010	3	
Total hours	15	

<sup>\*</sup>Courses within the range of ENGL 2012 through ENGL 2322 will meet this requirement.

Spring Schedule		Milestones
Semester 4	Hrs.	Semester 4
		Apply for Admission Teacher Education/Pre-Residency; minimum GPA
		2.75; satisfactory report on Criminal Background
HIST 2030	3	
POLI 2010	3	
ENGL 3000 Expository Writing (or other	3	
approved 2000 or above ENGL)		
BIOL 3010 Earth and Space Science (or	3	
other approved Physical Science)		
PSYC 2420 Human Growth and Learn	3	
Total hours	15	

Fall Schedule		Milestones
Semester 5	Hrs.	Semester 5
		Prerequisite: Admission to Teacher Education Program
		Co-requisites: All co-requisite courses in Pre-Residency Block 1 must be taken in Semester 5 or candidate will have to wait for the next course rotation; Complete all Pre-Residency Block 1 courses with grade C or better
Pre-Residency-Block 1		
Content Elective	3	Minimum grade "C" required.
EDSE 3330	3	Co-requisite course Pre-residency Block 1 (ECDI 3120, EDCI 3500, EDCU 2100); Minimum Grade of "C" Required

HIST 4910/4920	3	Minimum grade "C" required.
EDCI 3120	3	Co-requisite course Pre-residency Block 1 (ECDI 3120, EDCI 3500, EDCU
		2100); Minimum Grade of "C" Required
EDCI 3500	3	Co-requisite course Pre-residency Block 1 (ECDI 3120, EDCI 3500, EDCU
		2100); Minimum Grade of "C" Required
EDCI 2100	3	Co-requisite course Pre-residency Block 1 (ECDI 3120, EDCI 3500, EDCU
		2100); Minimum Grade of "C" Required
Total hours	18	

<sup>\*</sup>Must be selected in consultation with advisor

Spring Schedule		Milestones
Semester 6	Hrs.	Semester 6
		Pre-requisite: Admission to Teacher Education/Pre-Residency
		Apply for Admission to Residency 1-Block 3
		Take Praxis II Exams: Principles of Learning and Teaching (qualifying
		score 158); Elementary Education: Curriculum, Instruction, and
		Assessment (qualifying score 153); Content Knowledge (qualifying score
		163); and Teaching Reading (qualifying score 162)
		Co-requisites: All co-requisite courses in Pre-Residency Block 2 must be
		taken in Semester 6 or candidate will have to wait for the next course
		rotation; Complete all Pre-Residency Block 2 courses with grade C or
		better.
Pre-Residency-Block 2		
EDCI 2200	3	Co-requisite course Pre-residency Block 2 (EDCI 2200, EDRD 3500, EDCI
		4190, EDCI 3220); Minimum Grade of "C" Required
EDRD 3500	3	Co-requisite course Pre-residency Block 2 (EDCI 2200, EDRD 3500, EDCI
		4190, EDCI 3220); Minimum Grade of "C" Required
EDCI 4190	3	Co-requisite course Pre-residency Block 2 (EDCI 2200, EDRD 3500, EDCI
		4190, EDCI 3220); Minimum Grade of "C" Required
EDCI	3	Co-requisite course Pre-residency Block 2 (EDCI 2200, EDRD 3500, EDCI
		4190, EDCI 3220); Minimum Grade of "C" Required
ENGL 3730	3	
Total hours	15	

Fall Schedule		Milestones
Semester 7	Hrs.	Semester 7
		Prerequisite: Pass ALL Praxis-II Exams. Complete all Pre-Residency Block 2 courses with grade C or better. Be admitted to Residency 1 and obtain CPR Certification
		Co-Requisite: All co-requisite courses in Residency Block 3 must be taken in Semester 7 or candidate will have to wait for the next course rotation; Complete all Pre-Residency Block 2 courses with grade C or better.
Residency 1-Block 3		
EDRD 4500	3	Co-requisite course Pre-residency Block 3 (EDRD 4500, EDCI 4550, EDCI 4600, EDCI 4620); Minimum Grade of "C" Required
EDCI 4550	3	Co-requisite course Pre-residency Block 3 (EDRD 4500, EDCI 4550, EDCI 4600, EDCI 4620); Minimum Grade of "C" Required
EDCI 4600	3	Co-requisite course Pre-residency Block 3 (EDRD 4500, EDCI 4550, EDCI

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		4600, EDCI 4620); Minimum Grade of "C" Required
EDCI 4620 Field Experience 3	6	Co-requisite course Pre-residency Block 3 (EDRD 4500, EDCI 4550, EDCI 4600, EDCI 4620); approximately 100-120 hrs. in field placement; Minimum Grade of "C" Required
Total hours	15	

Spring Schedule		Milestones
Semester 8	Hrs.	Semester 8
		Pre-Requisite: Complete all Residency 1 Block 3 courses with grade C or better.
		Co-Requisite: All co-requisite courses in Residency 2 Block 4 must be taken in Semester 8 or candidate will have to wait for the next course rotation.
		Complete edTPA portfolio and receive a minimum score of 37
		Take Senior Exit Exam, Apply for Graduation and Apply for Certification and Licensure in the last month of Semester 8
Residency 1-Block 4		
*EDCI 4706 Educational Seminar Elementary	3	Co-requisite course Pre-residency Block 4 (EDCI 4720, EDCI 4706); Minimum Grade of "B" Required
*EDCI 4720 Enhanced Student Teaching in Elementary	9	Co-requisite course Pre-residency Block 4 (EDCI 4720, EDCU 4706); Minimum Grade of "B" Required
Total hours	12	

## **Employment Information:**

Salary Information: National Association of Colleges and Employers <a href="https://www.naceweb.org/">https://www.naceweb.org/</a>, Occupational Outlook Handbook <a href="https://www.bls.gov/ooh/a-z-index.htm">https://www.naceweb.org/</a>, Occupational Outlook Handbook <a href="https://www.bls.gov/ooh/a-z-index.htm">https://www.naceweb.org/</a>, Occupational Outlook Handbook <a href="https://www.bls.gov/ooh/a-z-index.htm">https://www.bls.gov/ooh/a-z-index.htm</a>

## Representative Job Titles Related to this Major:

Representative Job Titles Related to this Major: Teacher of Elementary School and Early Middle School, Guidance Counselor (with graduate school), Recreation Supervisor, Youth Organization Worker, Sales Representative, School Equipment & Supplies, Curriculum Leader of Schools and districts, Reading/Literacy Coach in Schools and districts.

<u>Representative Employers:</u> Schools: Public, Private Boards of Education; Correctional Institutions; Adoption & Child Care Agencies; Community Organizations; YMCA & YWCA's; Government Agencies; Manufacturers of Childcare Products, Private Businesses

Specifically in Middle Tennessee/Greater Nashville Area

- Cheatham County Public Schools
- Dickson County Public Schools
- Metropolitan Nashville Public Schools
- Murfreesboro City Schools
- Private Schools and Charter Schools
- Robertson County Public Schools
- Rutherford County Public Schools
- Sumner County Public Schools
- Wilson County Public Schools
- Williamson County Public Schools

International study is available for all TSU students and may include opportunities for internships or taking course work towards various minors. International study may have an impact on the MAP; therefore, it is important to consult with the academic advisor for this major before participating in an international Program opportunity. Students interested in study abroad opportunities should contact the Office of International Programs and consult with their academic advisor.