



Bachelor of Science in Education and Human Sciences

Major: Elementary Education

2024-2025 Sample 4-Year Plan

Total Degree Requirements: 120 credits

Student _____ Student ID# _____ Student Phone # _____

Advisor _____ Minimum GPA _____ Minor/Career Interest(s) _____

Students are not limited to this plan; it is meant to be used as a guide for planning purposes in consultation with your advisor. The sample schedule is one possible path to completing your degree within four years. For official program requirements, please refer to the [Undergraduate Catalog](#).

FIRST YEAR

Fall

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
BIOL 101/L	Biology Survey I and Lab	SGR#6	3		
ECE/ELED 150/L	Early Experience and Lab	*Must be taken prior to admission to Teacher Education	2		
EHS 119	EHS Seminar		2		
ENGL 101	Composition I	p. Placement, SGR #1	3		
HIST 151 or HIST 152 or GEOG 210 or POLS 100	US History I or US History II or World Regional Geography or American Government	SGR #3	3		
PSYC 101	General Psychology	SGR #3	3		
Total Credit Hours			16		

Spring

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
SGR #4	Arts and Humanities	SGR #4	3		
CMST 101 or CMST 215	Foundations of Communication or Public Speaking	SGR #2	3		
GEOG 131/L or GEOG 132/L	Physical Geography: Weather and Climate and Lab or Physical Geography: Natural Landscapes and Lab	SGR #6	4		
HDFS 241	Family Relations		3		
MATH 114 or MATH 103	College Algebra or Mathematical Reasoning	SGR #5	3		
Total Credit Hours			16		

SECOND YEAR

Fall

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
AIS 211	South Dakota American Indian Culture and Education	SGR #3	3		
ECE 241	Child Development II: 3-8 Years	*Must be taken prior to admission to Teacher Education	3		
ENGL 201 or ENGL 283	Composition II Introduction to Creative Writing	p. ENGL 101, SGR #1	3		
ENGL 240	Juvenile Literature	SGR #4 Online	3		
SPED 100	Introduction to Persons with Exceptionalities		3		
Total Credit Hours			15		

Spring

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
EDFN 340	Adolescent Development in Education Contexts		3		
EDFN 351	Teaching and Learning I	*Must be taken prior to admission to Teacher Education	1		
EHS 319	Life, Love, and Money		2	S/SU	
MATH 245	Mathematics for Primary Grades I	p. MATH 103 or MATH 114 or MATH 115 or MATH 120 or MATH 121 or MATH 123 or MATH 125 or STAT 281	3	S	
PE 360/L	K-8 Physical Education Methods and Lab		3		
PHYS 216/L	Physical Science for Early Childhood and Lab		3	S	
Total Credit Hours			15		
<i>Apply to Teacher Education - Take Praxis Core exam, 2.5 cumulative GPA, March 15 deadline</i>					

Information Subject to Change. This is not a contract.

p. = Course Prerequisite
Semester: F = Fall, S = Spring, SU = Summer



THIRD YEAR

Fall

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
	*See Academic requirements				
ECE 470	Early Childhood Inclusion Strategies		3		
ECE/ELED 471	Foundations of Reading		3		
EDFN 461	Cultural and Psychological Perspectives in the Acquisition of English as a Second Language		3		
ELED 230	Assessment and Classroom Management		2		
ELED 310	K-8 Methods of Music, Art and Drama		2		
ELED 440	K-8 Language Arts Methods		3		
		Total Credit Hours	16		

Spring

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
ECE 475	Pedagogy and Guidance in ECE		3		
ELED 320	K-8 Science Methods		3		
ELED 360	K-8 Social Science Methods		3		
ELED 466	P-12 ELL Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment		3		
ELED 495	Practicum		2		
MATH 345	Mathematics for Primary Grades II	p. MATH 103 or MATH 114 or MATH 120 or MATH 121 or MATH 123 or MATH 125 or STAT 281	3		
	Take Praxis ELED Content Exams				
		Total Credit Hours	17		

FOURTH YEAR

Fall

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
EDFN 453/L	Teaching and Learning III and Lab		7		
ELED 450	K-8 Reading Methods		3		
ELED 330	K-8 Mathematics Methods		3		
	Take Praxis PLT Exam				
		Total Credit Hours	13		

Spring

Prefix + Number	Course Title	Prerequisites/Comments	Credits	Semester	Grade
EDFN 454	Teaching and Learning IV: Student Teaching		11		
EDFN 456	Capstone/Action Research		1		
		Total Credit Hours	12		

COMMENTS/NOTES

Students from all academic majors can pursue graduation with Fishback Honors College distinction. View the [Honors program requirements](#).

***Academic Requirements**

- Entry into the major academic courses in all ELED program tracks include passing scores in Praxis Core: Reading (140), Writing (150), and Math (132). Students will work their academic advisor for registering for the Praxis exams.
- A grade of “C” or better is required in CMST 101, ENGL 101, PSYC 101, and MATH 103 or higher, and all courses for the major (classes with school/program prefix).
- An overall GPA of 2.5 is required to enroll in any education courses.