



PROGRAM OF STUDY

Elementary Teacher Education Associate in Arts for Transfer

The Associates of Arts degree for Transfer (AA-T) in Elementary Teacher Education is designed for prospective California State University (CSU) transfer students who are preparing for careers as Elementary School Teachers. Completion of the Elementary Teacher Education degree will provide a streamlined pathway for transfer to a CSU campus with a Liberal Studies or similar major. Completion of a Bachelor's degree in Liberal Studies prepares students to apply to approved teacher education programs leading to a credential to teach in elementary, self-contained classrooms. The Liberal Studies major and aligned AA-T Elementary Teacher Education curriculum provides depth and breadth of subject matter content typically taught in Kindergarten through sixth grade classroom settings in California. Students who plan to enter a California Commission on Teacher Credentialing (CCTC) approved program leading to a preliminary Multiple Subject Credential are required to demonstrate subject matter competency.

The requirements for completion of a Multiple Subject Teaching Credential include verification of subject matter competence. Pursuant to Education Code Section 44259 (b)(5), the Commission provides candidates two alternative paths for fulfilling this requirement:

- (1) completion of a Commission-approved program of subject matter preparation at a California college or university and
- (2) passage of a subject matter examination. Additional statutes relate to the subject matter that can be included in an approved program and on the examination. Relevant Education Code sections are included below.

Education Code Section 44314 (a) states that "an approved program shall consist of a minimum of 84 semester units, or equivalent quarter units, including, but not limited to, language studies, literature, mathematics, science social science, history, humanities, the arts, physical education and human development.

Education Code Section 44282 (b). A general subject matter examination authorizing teaching multiple subjects shall include an examination of the candidate's knowledge of the following areas: language studies, literature, mathematics, science, social studies, history the arts, physical education, and human development.

The OCC Elementary Teacher Education degree will provide a significant foundation in the topics assessed on the California Subject Examination for Teachers (CSET,) Multiple Subjects exam. Successful completion of the AA-T in Elementary Teacher Education satisfies lower- division preparation for a degree in Liberal Studies or other similar majors.

Program Outcomes:

OUTCOME 1:

Completion of degree will provide a streamlined pathway for transfer to a CSU campus with a Liberal Studies or similar major eventually leading to a credential to teach in elementary classrooms.

Courses Needed for Elementary Teacher Education (Transfer)

Required Core (9 units):	Units
BIOL A100 Introduction to Biology	4.0
CHEM A110 Introduction to Chemistry	5.0
PHYS A110 Conceptual Physics	3.0
PHYS A111 Introductory Physics Lab	1.0
CMST A110 Public Speaking	3.0
EDUC A200 The Teaching Profession	3.0
ENGL A100 Freshman Composition	3.0
ENGL A101 Critical Thinking, Reading, and Writing Through Literature <u>or</u> ENGL A101H Critical Thinking, Reading, and Writing Through Literature Honors	4.0
GEOG A100 World Regional Geography <u>or</u> GEOG A100H World Regional Geography Honors	3.0
GEOL A105 General Geology <u>or</u> GEOL A105H General Geology Honors	3.0
GEOL A105L General Geology Lab <u>or</u> GEOL A105M General Geology Lab Honors	1.0
HIST A161 World History 1 <u>or</u> HIST A161H World History 1 Honors	3.0
HIST A170 History of the United States to 1876 <u>or</u> HIST A170H History of the United States to 1876 Honors	3.0
HMDV A180 Child Growth and Development	3.0
MATH A104 Mathematics for Elementary Teachers	3.0
PSCI A180 American Government <u>or</u> PSCI A180H American Government Honors	3.0
Subtotal	48.0

List A – Select one course from the following:	Units
CMST A220 Essentials of Argumentation	3.0
ENGL A102 Critical Reasoning, Reading, Writing: Nonfiction <u>or</u> ENGL A102 ENGL A102 Critical Reasoning, Reading, Writing: Nonfiction Honors	3.0
PHIL A150 Critical Reasoning & Writing	3.0
Subtotal	3.0

List B – Select one course from the following:	Units
ART A100 Survey of Western Art: Pre-History to Gothic or ART A100H Survey of Western Art: Pre-History to Gothic Honors	3.0
DANC A200 Appreciation of Dance	3.0
HUM A100 Introduction to Humanities	3.0
MUS A100 History and Appreciation of Music	3.0
THEA A100 Introduction to Theatre	3.0
Subtotal	3.0

Courses in major program may be double counted in GE Breadth Section	Units
CSU or IGETC General Education Breadth: 37-39	
Subtotal	37.0 – 39.0

Transfer elective units as needed to satisfy 60-unit degree requirement	Units
Subtotal	Varies

Total Units 54.0