Elementary Education: Liberal Studies Major

Sample 4-year Plan (Fast Track)

Please use this sample plan only as a guide as you plan your classes. Classes are listed by fall or spring based on when they are typically offered. Courses with an asterisk (*) are typically offered every semester.
If a course is full, look across other semesters to identify an alternative class to add to your schedule.

FIRST YEAR

FALL	Units	SPRING	Units
*GE Common Context (Ex: RS1)	4	GE Common Context (Ex: HIS9)	4
*ENG 2: Composition (GE Writing for Liberal Arts)	4	*ENG 6: Studies in Literature (GE Imaginative Literature)	4
HIS 7: US Hist. to 1877 (GE Thinking Historically & JRD)	4	ENV101 Earth and Environmental Science	4
PHS 11: Physical Science (GE Physical Sciences)	4	GE Foreign Language	4
PEA 32: Fitness for Life (GE Physical Education)	1	PEA (GE Physical Education)	1
Semester Total	**17**	**Semester Total**	**17**

SECOND YEAR

*GE Common Context (Ex: RS 10)	4	HIS 178: CA History (GE Understanding Society)	4
MA 160: Fund. of Math (GE Reasoning Abstractly)	4	MA 165: Fund. of Math II (GE Quant. & Analytical Reason)	2
ENG 104: Modern Grammar and Composition	4	ED 172: Literature for Children	4
LS 12: Life Science (GE Life Sciences)	4	ED 160: Technology for the Classroom Teacher	2
KNS 156: Health Education	2	Concentration elective	4
		PEA (GE Physical Education)	1
Semester Total	**18**	**Semester Total**	**17**

THIRD YEAR

*GE Common Context (Ex: RS 20)	4	*GE Common Context (Ex: PHI 6)	4
*ED 100 Explorations in Teaching (GE Written Comm)	4	ART 180: Art for Children (GE Working Artistically)	4
MU 184: Music for Children	4	PSY 115: Child Development	4
Concentration Elective	4	ENG 106: Language Acquisition	4
ED 105: Cultural Div. (GE Thinking Globally)	4	KNS 155: Fundamentals of Movement (GE Physical Education)	2
		ED 109: Liberal Studies Seminar	2
Semester Total	**20**	**Semester Total**	**20**

FOURTH (CREDENTIAL) YEAR

ED 110: Educational Psychology	4	ED 190: Student Teaching	12
ED 120: Social Studies/Science Instruction	4	ED 195: Student Teaching Seminar	3
ED 150: Math Instruction	4		
ED 170: Reading and Language Arts Instruction	4		
ED 130: Special Education	2		
Semester Total	**18**	**Semester Total**	**15**

MAYTERM or SUMMER

In order to complete the fast track, you will need to take at least one course during mayterm or summer (1st-3rd years) or transfer in 2+ units of AP or college-level credits. If you follow the plan above exactly, you would need one more concentration elective worth at least 2 units (must be approved by your advisor & the department chair).

Typical courses that students have taken during mayterm or summer to make space for other desired courses include:
***Mayterm*:** Common contexts (RS1, RS10, RS20, PHI6) courses and concentration electives
***Summer*:** Many of the science, history, foreign language, and English courses have been available at community colleges. *Make sure to talk to your advisor about making sure these courses are pre-approved before enrolling!*

TEACHING CREDENTIAL NOTES:

- Students who choose not to complete the teacher preparation program as a part of their four-year program, or who have not been admitted to the credential program, will replace the education courses listed in the fourth year with elective units.
- You must apply separately to enter the Credential Program. Credential applications should be submitted by February 1st of your third year. Among other qualifications, students need to have a 3.0 GPA.
- Students who choose the "fast-track" option must complete ALL requirements for graduation by December of their Senior year. Otherwise, they do not qualify for the tuition discount for the Spring semester of student teaching.

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Sample 5-year Plan (Regular Track)

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FALL	Units	SPRING	Units
*GE Common Context (Ex: RS1)	4	*GE Common Context (Ex: HIS9)	4
ENG 2: Composition. (GE Writing for Liberal Arts)	4	ENG 6: Studies in Literature (GE Imaginative Literature)	4
HIS 7: US Hist. to 1877 (GE Thinking Historically & JRD)	4	Concentration elective	4
PEA 32: Fitness for Life (GE Physical Education)	1	PEA (GE Physical Education)	1
Semester Total	**13**	**Semester Total**	**13**

SECOND YEAR

*GE Foreign Language	4	*GE Common Context (Ex: RS10)	4
MA 160: Fund. of Math (GE Reasoning Abstractly)	4	MA 165: Fund. of Math II (GE Quant. & Analytical Reason)	4
ENG 104: Modern Grammar and Composition	4	ED 172: Literature for Children	4
Concentration Elective	4	PSY 115: Child Development	4
Semester Total	**16**	**Semester Total**	**16**

THIRD YEAR

*GE Common Context (Ex: RS20)	4	GE Common Context (Ex: PHI 6)	4
MUS 184: Music for Children	4	ENV101: Earth and Environmental Science	4
LS12: Life Science (GE Life Sciences)	4	ED 100: Explorations in Teaching	4
Concentration elective	4	ENG 106: Language Acquisition	4
PEA (GE Physical Education)	1	KNS 155: Fundamentals of Movement (GE Physical Education)	2
Semester Total	**17**	**Semester Total**	**18**

FOURTH YEAR

ED 105: Cultural Div. (GE Common Inq: Global)	4	HIS 178: CA History (GE Understanding Society)	4
PHS 11: Physical Science (GE Physical Sciences)	4	ART 180: Art for Children (GE Working Artistically)	4
Elective	4	Elective	4
Elective	4	ED 160: Technology for the Classroom Teacher	2
KNS 156: Health Education	2	ED 109: Liberal Studies Seminar	2
Semester Total	**18**	**Semester Total**	**16**

FIFTH (CREDENTIAL) YEAR

ED 110: Educational Psychology	4	ED 190: Student Teaching	12
ED 120: Social Studies/Science Instruction	4	ED 195: Student Teaching Seminar	3
ED 150: Math Instruction	4		
ED 170: Reading and Language Arts Instruction	4		
ED 130: Special Education	2		
Semester Total	**18**	**Semester Total**	**15**

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