



Bachelor of Arts ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

The program is designed so that teacher candidates may earn a baccalaureate degree in Elementary Education completely at Northern. Upon successful completion of the BA program and passing scores on the required State of New Mexico Teacher Assessments, teacher candidates will be eligible to apply for teacher licensure through the New Mexico Public Education Department. This program meets the New Mexico Public Education Department's (PED) Entry-Level Teacher Competencies and the Interstate New Mexico Teacher Assessment and Support Consortium (INTASC) Standards.

The program prepares teacher candidates to work in diverse educational settings in grades kindergarten through eight. Teacher candidates can choose from one of the following three (3) majors:

Bilingual Education—work effectively in the classroom with diverse bilingual students, and engage collaboratively with colleagues, families and communities for student success.

TESOL (Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages)—teach English to non-English speakers.

Humanities and Social Sciences—highly qualified to teach Language Arts, Science, and Social Studies at the middle-school level (7th and 8th grades).

Admission Criteria

1. Admission to the College in regular status (i.e., all transcripts have been received).
2. Good standing at NNMCC.
- 3.

Completion of at least 65 credits of coursework toward an Associate of Arts in Elementary Education, 36 of which are the College's General Education Common Core, and 7 of which are credits applied towards an AA in Elementary Education (see pages 25-28).

4. Cumulative GPA of at least 2.50.
- 5.

Passing score on the initial required State of New Mexico teacher assessment. This assessment should be passed in the last semester of your AA in Elementary Education course work.

Application Process

- 1.

Completed BA Program application: a) obtained on www.nnmc.edu website, or at COE Admin. Office

- 2.

Letter of Intent: a one page typed letter stating a) your reasons for wanting to become a teacher, b) experience, and c) personal strengths

- 3.

Personal Philosophy of Education Statement: a one-page statement that describes your beliefs about a) education, b) learning, and c) working with students

- 4.

Proof of a passing score: on the initial and required State of New Mexico teacher assessment

- 5.

Signed Assurance form: a) obtained on www.nnmc.edu website, or at COE Admin. Office

6. *Copies of all college transcripts*

- 7.

Completed application materials will be reviewed by the College of Education and teacher candidates will be advised accordingly.

Transfer Students

Applicants who transfer from other institutions must have been granted admission in regular status (i.e., all

transcripts have been received) prior to applying to the BA Program.

Transfer Credits

Up to 12 credits of professional preparation coursework will be considered on a case-by-case basis.

Personal Interview

Once all of your application materials are received and prior to your acceptance into the BA Program, you will be interviewed by the College of Education Interview Committee.

NMTA Tests

Teacher Candidates must provide proof of passing all of the required State of New Mexico teacher assessments before enrolling in ED 479 Student Teaching.

Assessment of Candidate Learning

Teacher candidates must maintain a specific GPA determined by the College of Education to remain in good standing in the program. In addition, your progress will be evaluated by: 1) providing proof of passing all of the required State of New Mexico teacher assessments, 2) an entry-level teacher, competency-based collection of artifacts; and 3) practicum and student teaching observations and self-assessments. Courses in which the teacher candidates earns a grade of C- and below do not count towards graduation or certification and do not meet criteria for satisfying prerequisites

GENERAL EDUCATION (58 CR)

Area I: Communications (9 cr)

- ENG 111 English Comp. I (3)
- ENG 112 English Comp. II (3)
- SPCH 130 Public Speaking (3)

Area II: Mathematics (6 cr)

- MATH 150 College Algebra (3)

Choose one of the following:

- MATH 145 Introduction to Probability and Statistics (3)
- MATH 155 Trigonometry (3)
- MATH 162 Calculus I (4)

Area III: Laboratory Sciences (12 cr)

- BIOL 110/LCurrent Topics in Biology with lab (4)

Elective (8) Choose two additional courses from the Area III list on page 26.

Area IV: Social/Behavioral Sciences (6 cr)

Select two elective courses from two different subject areas listed on pages 26-27.

Area V: Humanities (21)

History (12 cr)

- HIST 161 History of the U.S. to 1877 (3)
- HIST 162 History of the U.S. from 1877 (3)
- HUM 100 FYE: History and Culture of Northern New Mexico (3)

Choose one of the following courses:

- HIST 101 Western Civilization I (3)
- HIST 102 Western Civilization II (3)

Fine Arts (6 cr)

- ART 105 Introductions to Art (3)

Choose one introductory course (no applied courses from the following disciplines: Art, Music, and Theatre).

Literature (3 cr)

ENG Elective from ENG 260-296 (3)

Area VI: Library Technology (1 cr)

LT 101 Library research Skills (1)

Area VII. Foreign Language (3 cr)**Program Requirements Common to the AA degree (7 cr)**

ED 201 Foundations of Education (3)

ED 213 Lab I (1)

ED 220 Educational Psychology (3)

PROFESSIONAL PREPARATION REQUIREMENTS (43 CR)**Introductory Block**

ED 311 Lab II (1)

ED 326 Strategies for Successful Classrooms (2)

ED 305L Integrated Technology in the K-8 Classroom (2)

ED 450 Pedagogy and Learning (3)(WIC)

Literacy and Language Arts Block

ED 410 Teaching and Diagnosis of Reading (3)

ED 411 Lab III (1)

ED 460 Teaching Reading and Writing (Elem.) (3)

Math and Science Block

ED 313 Science & Math I (3)

ED 322 Math for Educators I (3)

ED 422 Math for Educators II (3)

ED 423 Science & Math II (3)

Exceptionalities, and Assessment Block

ED 475 Curriculum Methods & Materials for Special Education (3)

ED 495 Assessment and Evaluation of Student Learning (3)

Capstone

ED 479 Student Teaching (9)

ED 480 Student Teaching Seminar (1)

MAJOR REQUIREMENTS Choose ONE of the following majors:**Bilingual Education (24 cr)**

Pre-requisites SPAN 101 AND SPAN 102

**These courses are taught in Spanish.*

EDBE 403 Foundations of Bilingual/ESL Multicultural Education (3)

*EDBE 305 Spanish Literacy for Bilingual Education (3) *

*EDBE 306 Spanish for the Bilingual Classroom (3) *

EDBE 406 Methods and Materials of Teaching Bilingual/ESL (3)

EDBE 412 Formal/Informal Assessments (3)

EDBE 416 Second Language Acquisition (3)

*EDBE 481 Linguistics and Phonetics for the Bilingual Teacher (3) *

*EDBE 482

Spanish Language and Folklore of New Mexico
for the Bilingual Teacher (3) *

TESOL (Teaching English to Speakers of Other Languages) (24 cr)

EDTE 403 Foundations of Bilingual/ESL Multicultural Education (3)

EDTE 406 Methods and Material of Teaching Bilingual/ESL (3)
EDTE 408 Approaches to Teaching English Literacy Skills (3)
EDTE 412 Formal/Informal Assessment (3)
EDTE 414 Introduction to Linguistics (3)
EDTE 416 Second Language Acquisition (3)
Language electives (6)

Humanities and Social Sciences (24 cr)

HSS 222 Teaching in Diverse Communities (3)
HSS 310 Perspectives on New Mexico History and Culture (4)
HSS 311 Readings in the Social Sciences (4)
HSS 320 Genesis of Mathematics and Science (4)
HSS 410 Senior Seminar: Teaching the Humanities (1)
HSS 414 Humanity and Creativity (4)
HSS 421 History, Literature, Art, and Philosophy (4)

TOTAL CREDITS: 132