

EDUCATION: ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

Programs of Study Bachelors/Minors

- [Education: Elementary Education \(BA\)](#)

Overview

Program Description

The Center for Teacher Education offers a comprehensive program of study that leads to licensure in Colorado. Our professors are experienced, knowledgeable, accessible, and dedicated to the improvement of public education. At Colorado Mesa University, we pride ourselves on the personal touch. Faculty offer one-on-one guidance for course selection, field placements, student teaching, and employment. Our mission is to develop *Educators as Innovators*; we are always looking to improve the quality of learning in our programs and K-12 schools.

As a student, you will gradually accumulate over 200 hours of classroom experience before beginning student teaching. School districts throughout western Colorado provide opportunities to gain experience with children of all ages and backgrounds in a variety of school settings.

The elementary licensure program provides teacher education candidates with a broad content knowledge and prepares them as teachers for grades kindergarten through six. A minimum of 60 credit hours of Essential Learning and content area coursework must be completed with a minimum GPA of 2.80 before a candidate may apply for admission to the Center for Teacher Education elementary licensure program. Please see the Teacher Education Admission Packet for further information on admissions criteria. [EDUC 115](#) and [EDUC 215](#) must be taken before applying to the program.

Important information for this program:

- Students must maintain 2.80 cumulative GPA or higher in all CMU coursework
- Must earn a grade of "C" or better in all required courses, unless otherwise noted.
- Students must pass the requisite PRAXIS II exams related to teaching literacy and math prior to beginning the internship. All other coursework toward the degree must be successfully completed prior to the internship.
- The program requires [ENGL 111](#), [ENGL 112](#), [PSYC 233](#), [EDUC 115](#) and [EDUC 215](#), [MATH 105](#), and [MATH 205](#) (all with a grade of "B" or better) and formal acceptance to the Teacher Education Program.

For more information on what you can do with this major, visit Career Services' [What to Do with a Major?](#) resource.

All CMU baccalaureate graduates are expected to demonstrate proficiency in specialized knowledge/applied learning, quantitative fluency, communication fluency, critical thinking, personal and social responsibility, and information literacy.

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