

# ELEMENTARY EDUCATION, ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE

## NEW PROGRAM!

Southwestern and Southern Oregon University (SOU) have partnered to create a seamless pathway for earning an elementary teaching license on the South Coast! Southwestern's Associate of Science (AS) in Elementary Education prepares students to directly transfer into SOU's Bachelor of Science (BS) in Elementary Education. This associate's degree alone establishes a strong foundation in early education, and will also benefit students that are interested in pursuing a career as Instructional Assistants in elementary school settings.

The AS in Elementary Education includes foundational courses, professional education courses, specific general education courses, as well as field experiences to prepare graduates to enter most Elementary Education degree programs. This degree meets all of the requirements of an Associate of Arts Oregon Transfer (AAOT) degree and is articulated with SOU's Bachelor's of Science (BS) in Elementary Education program. Students choosing to transfer to SOU's program will have junior standing.

Students that transfer to SOU for the BS in Elementary Education have the option of completing the program through the Southwestern Oregon Community College campus. The SOU program includes face-to-face and online courses. Half of the face-to-face courses will be held on the South Coast and half will require travel to Medford one Saturday per month. For further information about SOU's BS program, visit the University Center (<https://www.socc.edu/uc>) or contact SOU Department of Education (<https://inside.sou.edu/education/eed>).

## Graduation Requirements

Students must complete a minimum of 90 credit hours with a minimum Grade Point Average (GPA) of 2.0 or better. All courses must be passed with a grade of 'C' or better. Twenty-four (24) credits must be completed at Southwestern before the AS degree is awarded.

Courses that are developmental in nature, designed to prepare students for college transfer courses, are not applicable to this degree.

Complete the graduation application process one term prior to the term of completion (e.g., spring term graduates must apply during winter term).

## Pre-Program Courses

Students are required to take the following courses *prior to* the program courses, depending on students' college placement information. See advisor for details:

Code	Title	Credits
MTH95	Intermediate Algebra	4
WR90 or WR90R	Paragraph Fundamentals (or placement in a higher 3-4 writing course) Academic Literacy	4
<b>Course Title Credits</b>		
<b>First Year</b>		
<b>Fall</b>		
GEOG105	Cultural Geography <sup>1</sup>	3

SP111 or SP219	Fundamentals of Public Speaking or Small Group Discussion	3
WR121 or WR121H	English Composition or English Composition w/Honors	3
Elective		2
Science Course <sup>5</sup>		4
Credits		15
<b>Winter</b>		
HDFS247	Preschool Child Development	3
WR122 or WR122H	English Composition or English Composition w/Honors	3
US or World History		3
Elective or Social Science		3
Literature course (ENG)		3
Credits		15
<b>Spring</b>		
HDFS229	Development in Middle Childhood	3
HE250	Personal Health	3
WR123	English Composition	3
Science Course <sup>6</sup>		4
Literature course (ENG)		3
Credits		16
<b>Second Year</b>		
<b>Fall</b>		
ED169	Overview of Student Special Needs <sup>2</sup>	3
ED200	Introduction to Education <sup>2</sup>	3
MTH211	Fundamentals of Elementary <sup>3</sup>	4
Elective		3
Music or Art History/Appreciation course		3
Credits		16
<b>Winter</b>		
ED135	Teaching Math to Young Children <sup>2</sup>	3
ED202	Art Education for Elementary Ed <sup>2</sup>	3
ED280	CWE: Education & Tutoring (Preschool Environment) <sup>4</sup>	1
MTH212	Fundamentals of Elementary <sup>3</sup>	4
Science Course <sup>7</sup>		4
Credits		15
<b>Spring</b>		
ED134	Children Who are Dual Lang Learners <sup>2</sup>	2
ED201	Music Education for Elementary Ed <sup>2</sup>	3
ED258	Multicultural Education <sup>2</sup>	3
ED280	CWE: Education & Tutoring (Elementary K-3 environment) <sup>4</sup>	1
MTH213	Fundamentals of Elementary <sup>3</sup>	4
Credits		13
Total Credits		90

<sup>1</sup> GEOG105 Cultural Geography is **offered every other fall** starting Fall 2018.

<sup>2</sup> These classes are only offered once per year in the term in which they appear.

- <sup>3</sup> MTH 211, MTH212, MTH213 sequence is **offered every other year** starting Fall 2017. Prerequisite is MTH95 Intermediate Algebra.
- <sup>4</sup> ED280 CWE: Education & Tutoring: 1 credit must be completed in a Preschool Environment (Ages 2<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>-5) and 1 credit must be completed in Elementary School (Grade K-3). Internships have specific requirements; please call 541-888-7405 to make an appointment with an advisor to schedule site.
- <sup>5</sup> First year fall term students must take a science course with a minimum of 4 credits. Select from one of the following courses: CHEM221, G201, GS 104, GS105, GS106, GS107, GS108, PH201, PH211.
- <sup>6</sup> First year spring term students must take a science course with a minimum of 4 credits. Select from one of the following courses BI103, BI203, BI243, CHEM 223, G203, GS104, GS105, GS106, GS107, GS108, PH 203/213.
- <sup>7</sup> Second year winter term students must take a science course with a minimum of 4 credits. Select from one of the following courses: BI102, BI202, BI243

## Program Student Learning Outcomes

Upon successful completion of this program (AS Elementary Education - AS EE), the student will:

- Develop professional knowledge of theory and pedagogy appropriate for Pre-Kindergarten, Elementary, and Middle-level school settings.
- Reflect on the scope and role of public education in American life.
- Describe and apply child development principles in planning lessons for children from pre-Kindergarten through early adolescence.
- Build background knowledge in content disciplines for teaching in pre-Kindergarten through middle-level grade settings.
- Gain experience in pre-Kindergarten through middle-level education settings via practicum and course assignments.
- Demonstrate the completion of foundational student learning outcomes required for the AAOT degree.