PRE-MAJOR, ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

Associate in Arts Degree

This pre-major is designed for the student who plans to transfer to the University of Central Florida as a junior to complete a four-year Bachelor’s degree in Elementary Education. If this pre-major transfers to a limited-access program, you are responsible for completing the specific requirements of the institution to which you will transfer as completion of this pre-major does not guarantee admission to an upper division limited-access program. If you are planning to attend a college other than UCF, and need specific transfer information, meet with a Valencia advisor to review your transfer plans and check the transfer institution catalog for specific degree requirements. Students are strongly encouraged to take electives that relate to their intended baccalaureate degree program.

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Start Right

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Financial Aid

In order to be eligible for and calculated in your enrollment status for financial aid, courses for which you are enrolled must count toward your Associate in Arts degree (36 credits of general education and 24 credits of electives). Courses listed in this plan may not be eligible for and calculated in your enrollment status financial aid if you took other course work outside of this plan (examples include prior course work from prerequisites, changing a major, and transfer course work not included in this plan).

Program Outcomes

• Demonstrate beginning knowledge and skills related to teaching and learning in elementary grades including developmentally appropriate traditional and technological instructional strategies and differentiation of instruction and the learning environment to meet various learning needs and styles.

• Engage in effective interpersonal, oral and written communication.

• Analyze, evaluate, synthesize, and apply information and ideas from diverse sources and disciplines

• Demonstrate a commitment to professionalism and continuous improvement as an educator

• Demonstrate awareness of personal responsibility in one’s civic, social, academic and professional life

• Demonstrate beginning knowledge and skills related to student and professional assessment including Florida Standards for student learning and the Florida Teacher Certification Exams (FTCE).

• Demonstrate readiness for transfer

Common Prerequisites

These are courses that are required for the noted major at Florida public universities. For more information on common prerequisites, check the statewide advising manual at floridashines.org (http://www.floridashines.org).

Math Pathways

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+ This course must be completed with a grade of C or better.
* This course has a prerequisite; check description in Valencia catalog.
~ This is a General Education course.
# This course is a common prerequisite course for the degree listed in flvc.org or UCF.