

ELEMENTARY EDUCATION (EED)

EED 500 Teaching Social Studies in Elementary Schools (3 Credits)

The objective of this course is to provide you, the novice teacher, the knowledge for social studies teaching and learning in the elementary school. Through not exclusive, topics covered will include the what and why of social studies; assessing student learning; planning units, lessons, and activities; effective instructional strategies; and knowledge of social studies content. The course will include a focus on technology integration, the Virginia Standards of Learning, the Virginia teaching standards and the standards proposed by the Association of Childhood Education International, the National Council for the Accreditation of Teacher Education, and the National Council for Social Studies.

EED 500G Language and Developmental Reading in (3 Credits)

This course is designed to provide elementary education teaching candidates with the knowledge, skills, and dispositions that are necessary for the diagnosis and correction of mild to moderately severe reading difficulties. The physical, physiological, cognitive, language, emotional, and socio-cultural correlates of reading disabilities are examined to help candidates understand the nature and causes of students' reading problems in grades PreK-6.

EED 501 Diagnostic Reading (3 Credits)

This course is designed to provide in-service and pre-service teachers opportunities to acquire a comprehensive understanding of the theoretical, historical, and research base of diagnosis. It is also designed to provide opportunities for in-service and pre-service teachers to apply appropriate procedures in the assessment and correction of reading difficulties. Emphasis will be placed on the use of appropriate tools for analyzing individual student's specific strengths and weaknesses in reading; proficiency in the administration and interpretation of diagnostic instruments; and the importance of selecting appropriate instructional strategies to meet the literacy needs of individual students.

EED 503 Teaching and Learning in the Primary School (pre K-3) (3 Credits)

This course focuses on teaching/learning in grades Pre K-6. Emphasis is placed on principles of learning, subject-matter appropriate for this level, classroom management, selection and use of materials including media, computers and assessment of pupil performance. The learning needs of exceptional students including the gifted and special needs children will be addressed. Twenty hours of observation and participation at this level are required

EED 551 Education Leadership I (3 Credits)

Special Contract Course Requested by Norfolk Public & VA Beach Public under the Math Specialist Grant

EED 552 Education Leadership II (3 Credits)

Contact the department for specific course information

EED 553 Educational Leadership III (3 Credits)

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EED 601 Methods and Materials for Teaching Mathematics, Science and Technology (3 Credits)

This course will enable the pre-service teacher to integrate mathematics and science in the K-6 classroom through interdisciplinary thematic unites. Higher order thinking skills, cooperative learning, and technology will be explored throughout the course. Hands-on activities and experiments will be employed to help the pre-service teacher feel confident about integrating mathematics, science, and technology. The course is a collection of investigation modules in which students will be presented real world problems and will be assisted in developing model solutions to the problems using state of the art technological means. The primary vehicles for the methods portion of the course are the textbooks. Content is delivered through classroom laboratory activities, reference materials, and technology.

EED 603 Teaching and Learning in the Primary School(prek-3) (3 Credits)

This course focuses on teaching/learning in grades (Pre-K- 3). Emphasis is placed on principles of learning, subject matter appropriate for this level, classroom management, selection and use of materials, including media, computers and assessment of pupil performance. The learning needs of exceptional students, including the gifted and those with special needs, will be addressed. Special emphasis will be placed on developmentally appropriate intervention techniques in the areas of self-help, motor, cognitive, social/emotional, and language. Twenty hours of observation/participation at this level is required. Twenty hours (20) of observation/participation at this level is required. *Early childhood special education majors must complete the clinical experience at the preschool level.

EED 624 Foundations of Education (3 Credits)

This is a comprehensive overview of the foundations of education in the United States. It is an interdisciplinary attempt (incorporating the historical, political, economic, legal, social philosophical and curricular foundations) to provide teachers with a clear understanding of the teaching profession and the issues and controversies confronting American education today. The topics covered in this course will provide students with a broad picture of education and schooling in the United States and the basis for informed decision-making about the complicated educational environment they are about to enter. The primary focus is to prepare reflective teachers who will be able to make informed decisions to improve and enhance the learning environment for children. This course also addresses how the Internet, the World Wide Web and advanced telecommunications technology are transforming teaching and learning.

EED 695 Thesis (3 Credits)

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EED 696A Practicum (3 Credits)

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EED 696C Practicum (9 Credits)

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EED 696D Practicum (3 Credits)

This is a supervised practicum experience for graduate students seeking certification in Early Childhood Special Education. Students will demonstrate the necessary knowledge, skills and dispositions for providing specialized services to young children who have special needs. The practicum experience is a hands-on approach. The practicum site provides students with the opportunity to make observations, implement activities, and to conduct a case study on a child with special needs. Observation hours totaling 100 hours are required for this class.