The field of teaching is one of our country’s most important social service professions. When you have earned the Bachelor of Arts in Education degree from Wichita State University, you’ll have gained the credentials for teaching children - birth through sixth grade - in Kansas schools with a special education emphasis in birth-grade 3. With minor modifications, one is eligible for licensure in other states. The degree provides a balance of general education, general professional education, specific knowledge related to elementary education (K-6) and early childhood/special education (birth through grade 3).

Wichita State’s College of Education has numerous faculty members who work closely with you, maintain cooperative relationships with area school districts, early childhood programs and remain active in their professional and research activities. Several have received university teaching awards and some have been recognized as leaders in their fields by professional societies.

Wichita State University students are provided with a variety of schools where they observe, work through cooperative education placements, and finalize their training through student-teaching.

Wichita State University has a partnership with the largest school district in the state, USD 259. Wichita State University utilizes a variety of schools within the district to place students during their last four semesters of their education. Wichita State University students graduate having worked with a diverse population.

Cooperative Education Program
Teacher Education students may also take advantage of the Cooperative Education Program once they have accumulated at least 12 credit hours and have at least a 2.50 GPA. Students who are a part of this program gain valuable experience working alongside teachers, administrators, and students within the district before they enter the Professional Teacher Education Program. Along with gaining valuable experience inside the classroom, these students are also paid for the work they do.

College of Education
The College of Education is accredited by all appropriate agencies, including the Kansas Board of Education and the National Council for the Accreditation of Teaching Education. Transfer students are strongly encouraged to contact the Education Support Services (ESS) at (316) 978-3300.

For additional information about the College of Education, visit www.wichita.edu/education.

For more information
If you have further questions or would like to schedule a campus visit, please contact the Office of Admissions.

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Bachelor of Arts Degree: Early Childhood Unified Or Elementary Education

Admission to the Professional Courses

To be admitted to the professional courses, you will need to do the following:

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- 35 hours of general education with the following: English Composition I (C- or better) English Composition II (C- or better) Basic Public Speaking (C- or better) College Algebra or higher level math (C or better)
- General Psychology and Elementary Statistics
- Introduction to Teaching Profession and Field Experience (B- or better)
- Standardized Tests
- Grade Point Average (GPA) Overall GPA 2.5, WSU GPA 2.5, and 35 hours Gen. Ed. GPA 2.75
- Teacher Education Admission Policies
- Background Screening
- Certification of Health Form

**Professional Education and Elementary and ECU Courses**

**Core I (Intro to Diversity)**

- CESP 334 Human Development - 2 credit hours
- CI 311 Field Experience - 1 credit hour
- CI 320 Exceptionalities - 2 credit hours
- CI 321 Cultural Issues - 2 credit hours
- CI 323 Technology Seminar in Elem. Ed. - 1 credit hour

**Core IIA**

- CESP 433 Intro to Learning & Evaluation - 3 credit hours
- CI 402E Instructional Strategies, Assessment & Mgmt (ISAM): Elementary Teaching Early Literacy (K-2) - 3 credit hours
- CI 402J ISAM: Elementary Social Studies - 4 credit hours
- CI 411A Pre-student Teaching: Elementary Core IIA - 2 credit hours

**Core IIB**

- CI 402I ISAM: Elementary Teaching Intermediate Literacy (3-6) - 2 credit hours
- CI 402M ISAM: Elementary Mathematics - 3 credit hours
- CI 402S ISAM: Elementary Science - 4 credit hours
- CI 411B Pre-student Teaching: Elementary Core IIB - 2 credit hours

**Core III**

- CI 446 Elementary Teaching Internship & Classroom Management Seminar: Elementary - 2 credit hours
- CI 647a ECU Teacher Internship- K-3 - 8 credit hours AND
- CI 647b ECU Teacher Internship- Birth-Pre-K - 4 credit hours

**Licensure Tests**

- Principles of Learning and Teaching
- Praxis II Content Knowledge

**ECU - Concentration Courses**

- CI 603 Foundations of ECU -2 credit hours
- CI 611 Collaboration/Teaming: Families, Prof & Community - 3 credit hours
- CI 614 Assessment & Methods: Infants, Toddlers & Families - 3 credit hours
- CI 614I Pre-student Teaching: Infants & Toddlers - 2 credit hours
- CI 617 Assessment & Methods: Preschool - 3 credit hours
- CI 617P Pre-student Teaching: Preschool - 2 credit hours
- CI 703 Assessment & Methods: K-3 - 3 credit hours

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