

Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education

The Michigan Department of Education is [changing the structure of teacher certification](#), and this new guide is for fall 2021.

COURSES REQUIRED FOR ALL ELEMENTARY EDUCATION MAJORS

Oakland University Courses	West Shore Community College Courses
MTH 0661 (or show proficiency)	No option available at WSCC (or show proficiency with ACT/SAT scores)
MTH 0662 (or show proficiency)	MTH 121 (or show proficiency with ACT/SAT scores)
WRT 1050 (or show proficiency)	ENG 111 (or show proficiency with ACT/SAT scores)
WRT 1060 (minimum grade of B or 3.0 required)	ENG 112
MTE 2110	MTH 126
MTE 2111	MTH 127
RDG 2200 (minimum grade of B or 3.0 required)	EDU 222
EED 1000	EDU 104
EED 2000, 2400, and 2500	Complete at OU

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

Each of the below categories must be fulfilled by completing one course of 3 or more credits. A course may not be used in more than one of the categories numbered 1-10. Please consult with an Oakland University Academic Adviser before pursuing MTA: the specific course options listed below are the preference.

Oakland University Categories	West Shore Community College Options
1. Writing Foundations	ENG 112
2. Formal Reasoning	MTH 127
3. Arts	THE 101
4. Language and Culture	FRN 101, 102; SPN 101, 102, 201, 202
5. Global Perspective	GEO 133
6. Literature	LIT 101, 211, 212, 213, 250
7. Natural Science and Technology	ANP 118 or NSC 104
8. Social Science	POL 151
9. Western Civilization	HIS 145 or 146
10. Knowledge Applications	JRN 150 or 200 recommended
U.S. Diversity – When a course is approved for both this and one of the above categories, it may count toward both requirements.	Satisfied by EED 3100 at OU

NOTES:

Students may transfer an unlimited amount of credit from West Shore, and must complete a minimum of 45 credit hours from OU to meet degree requirements. As programs may limit how much transfer credit can be used toward requirements, **it is highly recommended that students work with both an OU academic adviser and their West Shore academic adviser to maximize the applicability of coursework to specific requirements.**

Students must have a minimum GPA of 2.8 in order to be admitted to major standing in Elementary Education. Students with a GPA of 2.5 will be considered for admission to OU.

For Elementary Education program information, contact School of Education and Human Services Advising by calling (248) 370-4182 or visiting the [SEHS Advising website](#).

This document may be modified in the event of program or Michigan Department of Education certification changes.

TALKING POINTS:

The Elementary Education program prepares students to earn a Bachelor of Science degree in Elementary Education and recommendation for a Michigan Teaching Certificate.

Passing scores on Michigan [Tests for Teacher Certification](#) (MTTC) are required for Michigan Teaching Certification. Learn more about [Educator Certification](#), which OU graduates complete after their student teaching and receiving passing MTTC scores.

Elementary Education students complete [field experiences](#) in local elementary schools while they are in their professional education classes. Students will experience breadth, depth, and diversity of grade levels and communities in their field placements.

Information about scholarships in SEHS and Education can be found online on the [SEHS student resources website](#). To qualify for scholarships, students need an established Oakland University grade point average.

[Student organizations](#) at OU for future educators include the Aspiring Educators of Michigan, Best Buddies, and Kappa Delta Pi International Honor Society in Education.