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Education, Elementary Transfer Program

Teaching young children to read, to add, to learn about their world can be a very rewarding career. Teachers have relative job stability, and while they may teach similar material each year, their role constantly changes as their students change.

The elementary education transfer program at Schoolcraft College provides all the freshman and sophomore classes an education major must have before earning a bachelor's degree at a four-year institution.

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS -

What Do ELEMENTARY TEACHERS Do?

Elementary teachers generally have their own classroom and instruct the children in several subjects. They introduce children to mathematics, language, science and social studies, using games, music, art, films, books, computers and other tools to teach basic skills.

What Characteristics Do I Need To Work In This Field?

A good elementary teacher enjoys being with children and introducing them to new things, has a lot of patience, and has imagination and creativity to present the same idea or lesson in different ways to match the needs of different learners. Plan to spend a lot of time outside the classroom preparing for class or working on evaluations.

Where Could I Find a Job?

Most teachers work for municipal or rural school districts or in private or parochial schools. The government estimates there were about 1.5 million elementary school teachers in 2008.

What Is My Employment Outlook?

Employment opportunities for Elementary School Teachers are expected to grow moderately through the year 2020. However, you may have to move to another state to find the job you want.

Related Websites

Michigan Education Association: www.mea.org

teachers.net

National Association for the Education of Young Children: www.naeyc.org

For More Information

Visit www.schoolcraft.edu where you can view course and program information, schedule a campus tour, apply for admission, and register for courses.

In addition, you can request information by contacting the Admissions and Enrollment Center at 734-462-4426 or admissions@schoolcraft.edu.

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JOB TITLES & MEDIAN SALARIES OR HOURLY RATES

Elementary School Teacher

Starting salaries to average salaries for experienced teachers \$41,735 (Michigan)

Program Requirements 2012-2013 CATALOG

EDUCATION TRANSFER

Schoolcraft program code # AA.00700

Education, Elementary Transfer Programs provide the basic general education courses at the freshman and sophomore level for transfer to a specific institution to qualify for teacher certification. Schoolcraft students may receive an associate in arts degree or an associate in science degree by following the requirements specified by the institution and Schoolcraft College.

This typical program outline provides the framework for an Education, Elementary transfer degree but it does not represent a final academic plan for a specific four-year college or university. Students should work with a counselor or academic advisor to identify course requirements that are specific to the college to which they plan to transfer.

Associate Degree Requirements

Refer to the selected transfer institution and Schoolcraft College degree requirements.

English Composition Requirements

ENG 101	English Composition I	. 3
ENG 102	English Composition 2	. 3
Refer to transfer guides for specific institution requirements.		

Humanities Minimum 8 credits

Select from two disciplines or more

COMA 103	Fundamentals of Speech	
or		
Foreign Language4		
ART 113	Art Education	
ENG 203	Children's Literature	
MUSIC 107	Music for Elementary Teachers 4	
Refer to transfer guides for specific institution requirements.		

*Mathematics and Science/Lab Minimum 8 credits

One lab science course and one math course are required.

GEOG 105 or	Earth Science for Elementary Teachers 4	
BIOL 101 or	General Biology4	
PHYS 104	Introduction to Astronomy 4	
MATH 105	Mathematics for Elementary Teachers 1	
MATH 106	Mathematics for Elementary Teachers 2 4	
or		

Higher level MATH

Refer to transfer guides for specific institution requirements.

*Associate of science degree requires 20 credits of mathematics and science.

Social Science Minimum 8 credits

Select from two disciplines or more.

POLS 105	Survey of American Government	3
PSYCH 201	Introductory Psychology	4
SOC 201	Principles of Sociology	3
Refer to transfer guides for specific institution requirements.		

PE 240	Physical Education for Elementary Teachers3	
GEOG 133	World Regional Geography4	
HIST 151	Early America—U.S. History	
CCD 216	The Child With Special Needs	
Major	Refer to transfer institution	
Minor	Refer to transfer institution	
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institution to earn a bachelor's degree in your major. Visit www.schoolcraft.edu/transfer for information about transfer options. To ensure that the Schoolcraft courses you select are the specific ones required by the four-year college of your choice, be sure to consult regularly with your counselor/advisor.

Virtually any program at Schoolcraft College can be a

transfer program if you plan to continue at a four-year



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