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Entrance into the Teacher Education (CARE) Program:

CARE Application deadlines (applications due by the FIRST of the month):

- Fall admission: June, July, August
- Spring admission: September, October, November, December, January
- Summer admission: February, March, April, May

1. Applications to the graduate certification program must be submitted electronically through the online link at the Graduate Division: https://tinyurl.com/EasternGrad
2. All applicants must be fully admitted by the teacher education program (CARE) as well as by the graduate school.
3. Application requirements, including a minimum 3.00 cumulative grade point average from all undergraduate coursework, are listed in the application. Other requirements are listed in the application.
4. All applicants must demonstrate basic competence in Reading, Writing, and Mathematics by submitting an objective measure of these skills (i.e., the Praxis I Core, SAT, ACT, or GRE test) and achieving a minimum score prescribed by Eastern’s CARE (Committee for Admission and Retention in Education). The exam should be taken early enough so that scores will be available when application is made to the teacher education program. Applicants who do not meet the minimum competency can remediate by re-taking the tests or through select coursework; such remediation must be successfully completed prior to student teaching.
5. Three recommendations (forms).
6. Applicants must successfully complete an interview with Education Department faculty.
7. All applicants must provide evidence of 20 hours of service working with grade 1 through 6 learners in diverse settings and in an established educational organization.
8. Admission to the certification program and the graduate school will be provisional until successful completion of the undergraduate degree.

LIBERAL ARTS/GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS:

The following courses may be met by courses in the Liberal Arts Curriculum (LAC). These courses are required before a candidate is certified as an educator. All teacher candidates must receive a grade of “C” or higher in the following required courses.

- Science (7 credits): Physical or Earth Science (3 cr.) and Biological Science (3 cr.); One science must be taken with a lab (1 cr.)
- Math: MAT 139 (3-4 cr.) and MAT 140 (3 cr.). Math majors are exempt from taking MAT 139 and MAT 140
- English (6 cr. above College Writing)
- Social Science (3 cr.): SOC, PSY, ECO, GEO, or PSC
- Arts (3 cr.): Music, Theatre, Art History, Visual Arts
- U.S. History (3 cr.) HIS 120 or HIS 121 or HIS 310, or other approved courses listed on CT State Department of education website
- Health: HPE 201 (1 cr.) or HPE 210 (3 cr.)
- Foreign Language (6 cr.) (if not met in high school)
OTHER REQUIRED COURSES:

- PSY 206 Psychology of Childhood OR 3 credits
- PSY 208 Psychology of Adolescence
- EDU 222 Creative Expressions for Children and Youth 3 credits

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***All teacher candidates must receive a grade of C or higher in all these courses ***

Core Courses (10 credits)
- EDU 504 Educational Assessment 3 credits
- EDU 505 Second Language Acquisition and Strategies 1 credit
- EDU 555 Education and Society 3 credits
- EDU 511 Learning and Teaching: Concepts and Models 3 credits

Elementary Education Courses (25 credits)
- EDU 501 Clinical Experience I 1 credit
- EDU 516 Foundations of Literacy 3 credits
- EDU 517 Applications of Literacy and Language Arts 3 credits
- EDU 523 Pre-Student Teaching: Elementary Schools 3 credits
- EDU 532 Issues/Trends: Mathematics 3 credits
- EDU 537 Science in Elementary Schools 3 credits
- EDU 544 Patterns of Development: Typical and Exceptional 3 credits
- EDU 563 Issues/Trends: Social Studies 3 credits
- EDU 582 Teaching Exceptional Learners 3 credits

Student Teaching (9-12 credits)
- EDU 565 Classroom Management and Assessment in the Elementary School 3 credits
- EDU 573 Student Teaching (Elementary Schools) 6-9 credits

TOTAL: 44-47 credits

LICENSURE EXAM(S): Candidates are required to pass the Praxis II Elementary Education Multiple Subjects tests (5001) before they can student teach. Candidates must pass the Foundation of Reading Test prior to completion of student teaching. Official passing scores on PRAXIS II tests and the Foundation of Reading Test or receipt of registrations for taking these exams must accompany student teaching application. For more information on the Connecticut Foundations of Reading Test see http://www.ct.nesinc.com. For the multiple subjects Praxis II exam see https://www.ets.org/s/praxis/pdf/5001.pdf.

\[^{1}\text{Candidates must complete all required graduate courses and clinical experiences prior to student teaching.}\]