

A student must complete the course and credit requirements as defined on this curriculum sheet to be a candidate for the PK-4 Certification. Additional policies, procedures and requirements may be found in the current Graduate University Catalog and/or Student Teaching Handbook.

Degree Requirement

A student must already hold a Master's degree from an accredited college or university for this degree.

Credit Requirement

A minimum of 27 credits is required for this degree with certification.

An evaluation of transcripts will be necessary to determine the required coursework.

150 Pre-student teaching hours are embedded within certification courses.

Student teaching is 14 weeks full-time placement. Student is responsible for all required clearances in their respective state.

Grade Requirements

The minimum major and cumulative GPA of 3.0, (B) average is required to remain in good standing. One grade of C+ is permitted but a 3.0 grade point average must be maintained throughout the program. Students may retake a maximum of 2 courses in which they earned a C or C+. Students may retake an individual course only one time. Students may not earn any grade below a C and remain in the program.

PA Certification

PA certification requires 48 credits including practicum/internship/field experience, MS degree, counseling speciality tests and clearances.

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Requirements for Certification - 27 credits

EDU502	The Learning and Teaching Process	3
EDU503	Social & Political Foundations of Education	3
EDU506	Methods, Materials & Curriculum I	3
EDU507	Methods, Materials & Curriculum II	3
EDU511	Methods & Theories of Teaching Mathematics	3
EDU512	Methods for Teaching Reading & Assessment	3
EDU580	Multicultural & Diversity Issues in Education	3
EDU581	Foundations of Special Education in an Inclusionary Setting	3
EDU565	Student Teaching & Professional Seminar	3

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