

ASSOCIATE IN ARTS ELEMENTARY EDUCATION Course Selection Guide

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Degrees

- NC State: [BS in Elementary Education, Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics Concentration](#)
- NC Central: [BA in Elementary Education \(K-6\)](#)
- ECU: [BS in Elementary Education \(K-6\)](#)
- UNC Greensboro: [BS in Elementary Education, with K-6 Teacher Licensure](#)

Note: **Students could also follow the Associate in Arts in Teacher Preparation Plan of Study.** Course recommendations would be slightly different. For more detailed transfer information, refer to the [Transfer Guides](#).

General Education – 45-46 SHC (“Semester Hours of Credit”) Universal General Education Transfer Component (UGETC) Courses (31-32 SHC)

English Composition (6 SHC)

Durham Tech / UGETC Requirement	NCSU	NCCU	ECU	UNCG
ENG 111 Writing & Inquiry	ENG 111	ENG 111	ENG 111	ENG 111
ENG 112 Writing/Research in the Disciplines	ENG 112	ENG 112	ENG 112	ENG 112

Humanities/Fine Arts (H/FA) (9 SHC)—Select three courses from at least two disciplines

Durham Tech / UGETC Requirement	NCSU	NCCU	ECU	UNCG
One course selected from ART 111, ART 114, ART115, COM 120, COM 231, DRA 111, MUS 110, MUS 112	COM 120 or 231	COM 231	ART 111 or MUS 110	Any
One course selected from PHI 215 or PHI 240	Any	PHI 240	Any	Any
One course selected from ENG 231, 232, 241,242	ENG 231 or 241	ENG 231 or 232	ENG 231	Any

Social and Behavioral Sciences (S/BS) (9 SHC)—Select three courses from at least two disciplines

Durham Tech / UGETC Requirement	NCSU	NCCU	ECU	UNCG
One history course selected from HIS 111, HIS 112, HIS 131, HIS 132	HIS 131, 132, or 112	HIS 112	Any	Any
One course from ECO 251, ECO 252, POL 120, PSY 150, SOC 210	PSY 150	PSY 150	Any	Any
One additional course from above	SOC 210	Any	Any	Any

Mathematics (3-4 SHC)

Durham Tech / UGETC Requirement	NCSU	NCCU	ECU	UNCG
One Math course selected from MAT 143, 152, 171	MAT 171	MAT 171	MAT 171	MAT 171

For UNCG, MAT 171 is the prerequisite for MAT 167.

Natural Science (4 SHC)

Durham Tech / UGETC Requirement	NCSU	NCCU	ECU	UNCG
One Science course selected from AST 151/A, BIO 110, BIO 111, CHM 151, GEL 111, PHY 110/A.	BIO 111 or CHM 151	BIO 110	Any	Any

Additional General Education Transfer Hours (13-14 SHC)

Foreign Language (3 SHC)

Durham Tech Gen Ed Requirement	NCSU	NCCU	ECU	UNCG
Language (3 SHC): Choose from American Sign Language, Arabic, French, German, or Spanish. Foreign	FL 112 required by Durham Tech	FL 112	FL 112 required by Durham Tech	FL 112

2nd Mathematics Course (3-4 SHC)

Durham Tech Gen Ed Requirement	NCSU	NCCU	ECU	UNCG
Choose from MAT 143, MAT 152, MAT 171, MAT 172, or MAT 263.	MAT 263	Any	Any	Any

2nd Natural Science Course (4 SHC)

Durham Tech Gen Ed Requirement	NCSU	NCCU	ECU	UNCG
Choose from AST 151/151A, AST 152/152A, BIO 110, BIO 111, BIO 112, BIO 140/140A, CHM 131/A, CHM 132, CHM 151, CHM 152, GEL 111, GEL 230, PHY 110/110A.	BIO 112 or CHM 152	Any	Any	Any

One Additional Course (3-4 SHC)

Durham Tech Gen Ed Requirement	NCSU	NCCU	ECU	UNCG
One additional course	PSY 241	Any	SOC 220	Any

Other Required Hours (14-15 SHC)

College Transfer Success Course (1 SHC)

Durham Tech Requirement	NCSU	NCCU	ECU	UNCG
ACA 122 (This course should be taken in the student's first semester.)	ACA 122	ACA 122	ACA 122	ACA 122

Foreign Language (0-8 SHC)

Durham Tech Requirement	NCSU	NCCU	ECU	UNCG
FL 111/181, 112/182 if needed to meet FL prerequisites.	As Needed	As Needed	As Needed	As Needed

Additional Major Course(s)

Durham Tech Requirement	NCSU	NCCU	ECU	UNCG
Additional college level course(s) to complete the 15 SHC requirement. Students majoring in Elementary Education are required to have a concentration in 1-2 fields. Students should look at the university's website and specific concentration Transfer Guides .	MAT 152 PHY 110/A	Concentration Courses HEA 110 PED 110	Concentration Courses EDU 216 HEA 110	Concentration Courses EDU 216 MAT 167

- All of these colleges of education require qualifying Praxis Core, SAT, or ACT scores before admission to the major. Taking these tests before transferring and soon after completing the second math class is recommended.
- NC State recommends taking ELM 250 at NC State the summer before beginning junior year.
- Students transferring to UNCG will also need to complete three courses before admission to the major.

Suggested Two-Year Plan for Associate in Arts Students Planning to Major in Elementary Education

For more detailed information from specific universities, consult the [Transfer Guides](#). Some students may need to complete developmental prerequisites; others may place out of coursework based on transfer credit, AP/IB credit, or previous foreign language experience. Shaded boxes indicate pre-major coursework. Concentration courses should relate to planned teaching concentration.

Year 1 at Durham Technical Community College					
Semester 1		Semester 2		Summer	
ACA 122	1	ENG 112	3		
ENG 111	3	Foreign Language 112/182	4		
Foreign Language 111/181	4	MAT 143, 152, 172, or 263	4		
ART 111, ART 114, ART 115, COM 120, COM 231, DRA 111, MUS 110, MUS 112	3	BIO 111	4		
MAT 171	4				
TOTAL HOURS	15	TOTAL HOURS	15		

Year 2 at Durham Technical Community College					
Semester 3		Semester 4		Summer	
AST 151/A, BIO 110, BIO 140/A, GEL 111, or PHY 110/A	4	PSY 241 or SOC 220	3		
PHI 215 or 240	3	ENG 231	3		
EDU 216	3	ECO 251, ECO 252, POL 120, SOC 210	3		
PSY 150	3	Concentration Course	3-4		
HIS 111, 112, 131,132	3	Concentration Course	3-4		
TOTAL HOURS	16	TOTAL HOURS	15-17		

Total hours required for the degree: 60.