Elementary Education Major PK-3, 3-6 grade bands Updated September 2023

This advising sheet lays out a basic 4-year plan with all of the components necessary to graduate and become certified in Elementary Education (PK-3, 3-6). A candidate's actual 4-year plan should be worked out with an education advisor. The 4-year plan includes both Hope College's liberal arts study (Anchor Plan) as well as the Elementary Education major.

Anchor Plan (31-32 credits)

The Anchor Plan is required for all Hope College students and represents the general education liberal arts program. The following chart explains these requirements.

Requirement	Rule	Attribute		
First Year Seminar	One IDS 100 -3 credits			
Expository Writing	ENGL 113 -3 credits			
Health Dynamics	KIN 140 -2 credits			
Math and Natural Sciences	One math course -3/4 credits*	MA		
*satisfied by major-no	One NSL course -4 credits	NSL		
additional courses required	Any math or science course to reach 10 cr total	MNS		
Religion	One REL 100 course -3 credits	RL1		
	One REL 200 course -3 credits	RL2		
	*one course must have Christian Tenets	*TEN		
Social Sciences	*Both Social Science courses will be satisfied by	SS1		
*No additional	students taking EDUC 200/1 and EDUC 457.	SS2		
coursework required.				
Arts and Humanities	One Arts in Practice course -2/3 credits	ART		
	One Human Creative Perspectives course -3 credits	HCP		
	One Philosophical Perspectives course-3 credits	PHL		
	One Historical Perspectives course-3 credits	HST		
	*Prerequisite: ENGL 113 and one 100 level Arts and			
	Humanities			
Human Diversities	Global Language-3 credits of second level fluency	GL2		
	One US Diversities course (satisfied by EDUC	USD		
	200/1)	GLP		
	One Global Perspectives course -3 credits*			
Senior Seminar	*IDS 452 or IDS 492-3 credits	SRS		
*Candidates will either				
take IDS 452 during the				
student teaching semester				
or IDS 492 during a				
different semester				

Elementary Education Major (75 credits) PK-3, 3-6 grade bands

The professional sequence for all elementary education majors is listed below and is separated by level. Level 1 courses are designed to introduce candidates to the field of education. Once completed, candidates must choose their primary grade band, either PK-3 or 3-6. The other grade band becomes their secondary grade band. Level 2 courses are designed to have candidates learn the art of teaching. During Level 2 coursework, candidates must have 50 hours of clinical experience in their secondary grade band. Level 3 courses are taken during the student teaching semester and placement should be in a candidate's primary grade band.

Course #	Course Title	Credits			
Level 1					
EDUC 200/1	Diversity Equity and Inclusion/Clinical Experience				
EDUC 225/6	The Exceptional Child and Adolescent/Clinical Experience	3+1			
EDUC 270	Foundations of Education	3			
Level 2	All candidates should apply for admission to the department				
	during the semester that all three of the above courses have				
	been satisfied.				
EDUC 271	Intro to Elementary Education	3			
EDUC 277	Intro to Teaching Literacy	3			
EDUC 280/1	Literacy I: Reading/LA PK-3/Clinical Experience	3+1			
EDUC 282/3	Literacy II: Reading/LA Grades 4-8/Clinical Experience	3+1			
MATH 221	Intro Mathematics for Elementary Educators	3			
MATH 223	Mathematics for Elementary Educators	3			
MATH 308	Mathematical Teaching Practices for Elementary Educators	3			
EDUC 203L	Clinical Experience Science Teaching PK-3	1			
EDUC 203U	Clinical Experience Science Teaching 3-6	1			
EDUC 230	Science Practice & Pedagogy for Elementary	2			
BIOL 102A	Organisms & Environments PK-3	2			
BIOL 102B	Organisms & Environments 3-6	2			
CHEM 102A	Matter and Energy PK-3	2			
CHEM 102B	Matter and Energy 3-6	2			
EDUC 232	Social Studies for Elementary PK-3	3			
EDUC 260	Social Studies for Elementary 3-6	3			
EDUC 310/1	Elementary Curriculum & Methods/Clinical Experience	3+3			
EDUC 312	Classroom Management Elementary/Tech	3			
Level 3	All candidates should attend an informational meeting and				
	apply to student teach two semesters before the semester they				
	wish to student teach in.				
EDUC 457	Student Teaching Seminar	2			
EDUC 470 or	Student Teaching 3-6 or	10			
EDUC 475	Student Teaching PK-3				

Elementary Education PK-3/3-6 4-Year Plan

This 4-year plan was intentionally constructed based on the sequential and scaffolded learning that will help candidates stay on track and be successful in the program. Any deviation to the plan should be done in conjunction with a candidate's education advisor.

Primary Major: Secondary Major:

Primary Major:			Secondary Major:			
	Fall – Year 1		Spring – Year 1		Summer – Year 1	
	COURSE	CREDITS	COURSE	CREDITS	COURSE	CREDITS
Educ	EDUC 200/201	4	EDUC 225/226	4		
Courses	EDUC 270	3	HST	3		
Anchor	ENG 113 (CW)	3	Lang (GL2)	3		
Plan	KIN 140 (HD)	2	REL 100 (RL1)			
Elective	IDS 100 (FYS)	3	Elective	3		
Courses		15		15		
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**suggested	EDUC 271	3	EDUC 277	3		
98	REL 200 (RL2)	3	MATH 221	3		
	ART in Practice		EDUC 230	3		
	PHL	3	PSY 230**	4		
	IDS 160 (HCP)	3	ED 420/1**	3		
		14-15		16		
	Fall – Year 3		Spring – Year 3		Summer	– Year 3
	EDUC 280/281	4	EDUC 282/283	4		
	MATH 223	3	MATH 308	3		
	CHEM 102a	2	CHEM 102b	2		
	BIO 102a	2	BIO 102b	2		
	ED 203L	1	EDUC 203U	1		
	ED 232	3	EDUC 260	3		
		15		15		
	Fall – Year 4		Spring – Year 4		Summer	– Year 4
*IDS 492	EDUC 310/311	6	EDUC 457	2		
can be	EDUC 312	3	EDUC 470 if (3-	-6) or 10		
substituted	KIN 252**	2	475 (if PK-3)			
if not taken	Elective	4	IDS 452 (SRS)*			
		1.5		15		
during		15		13		
during student teaching		15		13		