

Elementary Education (K - 5)

Associate of Science in Teaching



Program and Career Description:

The Associate of Science in Teaching Degree is designed for those students planning to transfer to a four-year school in order to complete a elementary teacher certification (K-5). If you desire to teach high school, you should choose a major in which you desire to teach. For example, if you plan to teach high school history, you should pursue an associate degree with an emphasis in history prior to transferring to a four-year institution.

How is the Job Market?

Check out www.jobs4tn.gov website for information about job descriptions, education requirements and abilities, and supply and demand for these careers. For additional information from a national perspective, go to Bureau of Labor Statistics, U. S. Department of Labor website at www.bls.gov. Visit the [Occupational Outlook Handbook](#) on this website. Salaries are not guaranteed.

Transfer Options

This program is a Tennessee Transfer Pathway (TTP) major. A student who completes the associates degree in this major is guaranteed that all required community college courses will be accepted in this major at the transfer institution. To see which four-year institutions offer this TTP major and guarantees a seamless transfer, visit the Tennessee Transfer Pathway website at www.tntransferpathway.org.

Transfer agreements exist between other private and non-TN public institutions. These agreements are available at www.columbiastate.edu/transfer-information.

Program Information

Criminal background checks are required of all enrolled education students prior to participating in course required classroom field experiences at affiliate public and private schools. Based on the results of the criminal background check, an affiliate school may determine not to allow a student's presence at their school. This could result in the student's inability to successfully complete the requirements of a specific course and the AST program. More information is available from education lead faculty.

Each student enrolled in education courses must show proof of individual liability insurance prior to the onset of the required classroom field experience. More information is available from the education lead faculty.

Requirements for Graduation include:

- Earning 25% of total program credits in residence at Columbia State.
- Attainment of a 2.75 cumulative grade point average
- ACT cumulative score of 21 or successful completion of approved standardized examination (Praxis Core) for admission to university College of Education Note: MTSU requires a 22 ACT score
- Satisfactory ratings on an index of suitability for the teaching profession
- Students ratings on an index suitability for the teaching profession
- Students transferring to a public university in Tennessee may need to meet additional requirements to gain admittance to the university
- Taking the exit exam.

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Student ID: _____
 Student Name: _____
 Adviser Name: _____

Catalog: 2020-2021 Catalog and Student Handbook
 Program: Elementary Education (K-5), A.S.T.
 Minimum Credits Required: _____

Elementary Education (K-5), A.S.T.

Major in Tennessee Transfer Pathway with the Emphasis in Elementary Education K-5 (A.S.T.)

Sample Academic Plan - Total Credit Hours: 61

Program Requirements: Students may be required to take additional Learning Support courses. Courses cannot be used more than once to satisfy program requirements.

First Year - Fall Semester - Credit Hours: 17

Course Name	Credits:	Term Taken	Grade	Gen Ed
EDU 201 - Introduction to Education	Credits: 3			
ENGL 1010 - English Composition I	Credits: 3			
BIOL 1080 - Concepts of Biology OR BIOL 1110 General Biology I OR BIOL 1120 General Biology II OR BIOL 2010 Human Anatomy and Physiology I OR BIOL 2020 Human Anatomy and Physiology II	Credits: 4			
¹ General Education - History Requirement *	Credits: 3			
³ General Education - Mathematics Requirement **	Credits: 3			
COLS 101 - Columbia State College Success	Credits: 1			

First Year - Spring Semester - Credit Hours: 15

Course Name	Credits:	Term Taken	Grade	Gen Ed
ENGL 1020 - English Composition II	Credits: 3			
MATH 1420 - Geometry Concepts for Teachers	Credits: 3			
POLS 1030 - American Government	Credits: 3			
EDUC 2210 - Educational Psychology *** OR PSYC 2130 Lifespan Development Psychology	Credits: 3			
COMM 2025 - Fundamentals of Communication OR COMM 2055 Argumentation and Debate	Credits: 3			

Second Year - Fall Semester - Credit Hours: 16

It is recommended that students complete ENGL 1010, MATH 1420, and EDUC 2210 before taking Praxis Core Tests.

Course Name	Credits:	Term Taken	Grade	Gen Ed
EDU 222 - Education of Exceptional Learners	Credits: 3			
MATH 1410 - Number Concepts for Teachers	Credits: 3			
ASTR 1030 - Survey of Astronomy OR ESCI 1010 Weather and Climate OR ESCI 1020 Landforms	Credits: 4			
GEOG 2010 - World Regional Geography	Credits: 3			
² General Education - Literature Requirement	Credits: 3			

Second Year - Spring Semester - Credit Hours: 13

Course Name	Credits:	Term Taken	Grade	Gen Ed
ART 1035 - Introduction to Art OR MUS 1030 Introduction to Music	Credits: 3			
¹ General Education - History Requirement	Credits: 3			
² General Education - Humanities/Fine Arts Requirement	Credits: 3			
⁴ General Education - Natural Sciences Requirement (Non-Biology course)	Credits: 4			

General Education Requirements

¹**History Requirement** - Select from HIST 2010, HIST 2020, HIST 2030, HIST 2310, HIST 2320.

²**Humanities/Fine Arts Requirement** - Select from ART 1035, ART 2000, ART 2020, ENGL 2160, ENGL 2860, HUM 1010, HUM 1020, MUS 1030, PHIL 1030, PHIL 1040, PHIL 2200, THEA 1030. **Literature Options:** ENGL 2055, ENGL 2130, ENGL 2235, ENGL 2310, ENGL 2320.

³**Mathematics Requirement** - Select from MATH 1010, MATH 1130, MATH 1530, MATH 1630, MATH 1710, MATH 1720, MATH 1730, MATH 1830, MATH 1910.

⁴**Natural Sciences Requirement** (Non-Biology) - Select from ASTR 1030, CHEM 1110, CHEM 1120, ESCI 1010, ESCI 1020, PSCI 1030, PHYS 2010, PHYS 2020, PHYS 2110, PHYS 2120.

Note(s):

*Students who plan to transfer to UT Chattanooga must take one World History course

**Students who plan to transfer to UT Chattanooga must take MATH 1530, UT Martin requires MATH 1130

***Students who plan to transfer to ETSU must take EDUC 2210

Additional Degree Requirements

- Students earning an AST degree must meet the following:
 - Attainment of a 2.75 cumulative grade point average
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Check www.tntransferpathway.org to see which four-year institutions offer this TTP major. Students should meet with the assigned advisor to determine courses required for the university chosen.

Students and advisors should run a degree audit from myChargerNet each semester to confirm classes are applicable to the program of study.

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