


# Elementary Education K-5

Students pursuing the K-5 licensure program will select a major in the College of Arts & Sciences while minoring in Elementary Education. There are certain state licensure requirements that must be fulfilled during the undergraduate degree. These courses include:

- **Biological Science**
  - **Chemistry**
  - **Physics**
  - **Astronomy**
  - **Earth Science**
  - **US Hist or US Pol. Sci.**
  - **Economics**
  - **Geography**
  - **6 hrs of Math**
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- **Biol. 101 - 102 & Astron. 151 OR Geol. 104**
  - **Astron. 151 - 153/152 - 154 OR Geol. 104 & 101, 102, or 103 with Anth. 110**
  - **Political Science 101 or 102**
  - **Economics 201**
  - **Geography 101 or 121**
  - **Math 113 & 115 (Comp. Sci. cannot be used)**

## Admission Requirements

- Maintain a cumulative 2.75 GPA, all college work calculated
- Complete 60 credit hours, including AP, dual, & transfer credit
- Background Check - all applicants will be required to complete a fingerprint scan and background check
- Professional Attitudes, Dispositions, & Competencies - completion of online form
- Interview with Admissions Board - **April & November**
- ACT/SAT scores **MUST** be on file.

Electronic Application -  
<https://cehsadvising.utk.edu/licensure/>

For Fall semester apply between August 1 - September 30  
For Spring semester apply between January 1 - February 28

## Getting InVOLved

These programs are a great way to get involved as well as provide excellent field experience. Feel free to visit the website or contact the program coordinators.

- **Education 100**  
Instructor: Lisa Emery, [lemery@utk.edu](mailto:lemery@utk.edu)
- **Black Educators of Tomorrow**  
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**VOLink:** [utk.campuslabs.com/engage](https://cehsadvising.utk.edu/engage)

For appointments: <https://cehsadvising.utk.edu/academic-advising/>

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# Elementary Education Minor

Educational Psychology 210 can be completed prior to admission the program.  
All courses must be completed with a C or better.

● **Educational Psychology 210 (3 hrs)**

Psychoeducational Issues in Human Development

● **Reading Education 330 (3 hrs)**

Using Children's Literature to Support Instructional Practices and Motivate Students to Read

● **Educational Technology 486 (3 hrs)**

Integrating Technology into the curriculum

● **Reading Education 430 (3 hrs)**

Elementary Literacy, K-2

● **Educational Psychology 401 (3 hrs)**

Professional Studies: Applied Educational Psychology

● **Special Education 402 (3 hrs)**

Professional Studies: Special Education & Diverse Learners

**Spring only courses:**

● **Elementary Education 351 (1 hr)**

Laboratory & Field Studies in Elementary Education

● **Elementary Education 322 (3 hrs)**

Elementary Teaching Methods I

● **Elementary Education 422 (3 hrs)**

Elementary Teaching Methods II

**Total: 25 hrs**

## The Professional Year

The following conditions must be met to progress to the professional year:

- B.A./B.S. degree conferred, including required licensure courses
- Minimum 2.5 GPA in major
- Minor in Elementary Education
- Passing score on PRAXIS exam for Elementary content knowledge
- Minimum 2.80 GPA in professional education courses
- Minimum 2.75 cumulative GPA, all course work calculated

### Fall Only Courses

**TPTE 574 (3 hrs)**

Analysis of Teaching for Professional Development

**TPTE 575 (6 hrs)**

Professional Internship in Teaching

**Methods of teaching in elementary subject areas (3 hrs)**

Dependent upon cohort

### Spring Only Courses

**TPTE 575 (6 hrs)**

Professional Internship in Teaching

**TPTE 591 (3 hrs)**

Clinical Studies

**Methods of teaching in elementary subject areas (3 hrs)**

Dependent upon cohort

**Total: 24 hrs**

**Teacher Licensure is granted when the following have been completed:**

- The professional Year
- 6 additional credits of elementary methods

**To complete the Master's degree:**

- The professional Year (24 credits)
- 6 additional credits of elementary methods
- Additional elective courses (6 credits); consult with faculty advisor for course options. Credits may be completed before or after the conclusion of the professional year.