



# Liberal Studies for Elementary Education A.A. Degree

This major is designed for students who wish to be teachers in public and private elementary schools. Further education at the university level will be required to fulfill all requirements for a teaching credential authorizing service in California public schools.

**Total Units: 60**

## First Year

### Semester 1

**15 Units**

| COURSE   | UNITS | PRE-REQS <sup>^</sup>   | SEMESTERS OFFERED* | GE AREA         |
|--|-------|---|--------------------|-----------------|
| <b>ECE 312</b> <sup>Z</sup><br>Child Development             | 3     | Advisory:<br>EMGWR 101 or 103 or ESLR 320, ESLR 320, & ESLW 320 | F(O), S(O), Su(O)  | CRC Area III(b) |
| <b>ENGWR 300</b> <sup>Z</sup><br>College Composition         | 3     | Advisory:<br>ENGWR 110  | F(P), S(P), Su(O)  | CRC Area II(a)  |
| <b>MATH 310</b> <sup>Z</sup><br>Mathematical Discovery       | 3     | MATH 110 or Geometry & MATH 120 or 125                          | F, S               | CRC Area II(b)  |
| <b>COMM 361</b><br>The Communication Experience              | 3     | Advisory:<br>Eligible for ENGWR 300                             | F, S               | CRC Area II(b)  |
| <b>POLS 301</b><br>Introduction to Government: United States | 3     | Advisory:<br>ENGWR 101  | F, S(O), Su        | CRC Area V(a)   |

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### Semester 2

**16 Units**

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|---|-------|------------------------|--------------------|----------------|
| <b>ENGWR 302</b> <sup>Z</sup><br>Advanced Composition and Critical Thinking | 3     | ENGWR 300              | F(O,P), S, Su(O)   | CRC Area II(b) |
| <b>HIST 310</b> <sup>Z</sup><br>History of the United States (To 1877)      | 3     | Advisory:<br>ENGWR 300 | F(P), S(P)         | CRC Area V(a)  |

## Career

### Options/Outlook:

Elementary School Teachers teach students basic academic, social, and other formative skills in public or private schools at the elementary level. **Career opportunities require more than an associate's degree.**

### A sample of reported job titles:

Art Teacher, Classroom Teacher, Educator, Elementary Education Teacher, Elementary School Teacher, Elementary Teacher, Fifth Grade Teacher, First Grade Teacher, Second Grade Teacher, Teacher

### Projected job openings in California (2020-2030):

12,720

### Projected growth in California (2020-2030):

8% growth

### Median Salary in California with advanced degree (2021):

\$80,020/yr

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|--|-------|------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| <b>GEOL 305</b> <sup>Z</sup><br>Earth Science  | 3     |                        | F, S, Su           | CRC Area IV         |
| <b>GEOL 306</b> <sup>Z</sup><br>Earth Science Laboratory                                   | 1     | Co-req:<br>GEOL 305    | F, S, Su           |                     |
| <b>COMM 325</b> <sup>Z</sup><br>Intercultural Communication<br>or                          | 3     | Advisory:<br>ENGWR 101 | F, S, Su           | CRC Area V(b) or VI |
| <b>ENGLT 336</b> <sup>Z</sup><br>Race and Ethnicity in Contemporary American Literature or | 3     | Advisory:<br>ENGWR 101 | F, S, Su           | CRC Area I or VI    |
| <b>SOC 321</b> <sup>Z</sup><br>Race, Ethnicity and Inequality in the United States         | 3     |                        | F, S, Su           | CRC Area V(b) or VI |
| <b>CRC Area III(b)-Life Development Skills</b> <sup>Z</sup>                                | 3     |                        | F, S, Su           | CRC Area III(b)     |

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### Semester 3

16 Units

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|--|-------|---|--------------------|-----------------|
| <b>ECE 350</b> <sup>Z</sup><br>Introduction to Elementary Teaching with Field Experience | 3     | Advisory:<br>ECE 312  | F, S               | CRC Area III(b) |
| <b>BIOL 308</b> <sup>Z</sup><br>Contemporary Biology                                     | 3     | Advisory:<br>ESLR 320 & ESLW 310 of ESL 325 or eligible for ENGRD 310 & ENGWR 101 | F, S, Su           | CRC Area IV     |
| <b>BIOL 309</b> <sup>Z</sup><br>Contemporary Biology Laboratory                          | 1     | Advisory:<br>Eligible for ENGWR 300   | F, S, Su           |                 |
| <b>HIST 307</b><br>History of World Civilizations to 1500                                | 3     | Advisory:<br>ENGWR 300  | F                  | CRC Area V(b)   |

## Source:

<https://www.onetonline.org/link/summary/25-2021.00>

## Transfer notes:

Please meet with a counselor for specific transfer course evaluation or transferring to a specific 4-year institution.

## General Education (GE):

Non-specified GE courses identified by CRC Area, CSU Area or IGETC Area without pre- or co-requisite can be taken at any semester.

## Honors option:

The CRC Honors Program is designed specifically for academically accomplished students and for students with the potential for high achievement. Students who complete 15 units or more in honors-designated courses will earn special recognition as an Honors Scholar, a distinction that may entitle the student to guaranteed transfer and scholarship opportunities at select transfer colleges and universities.

## About this program map:

This program map represents one possible pathway to complete the program. Please see a counselor to create an education plan customized to meet your needs. This map is not a guarantee of course availability or financial aid applicability.

## Zero Textbook Costs (ZTC):

The Zero Textbook Costs designation and logo are added to any course that provides free access to all required instructional materials. These are typically shared with students through Canvas. Courses that are designated as ZTC may still require students to purchase supplemental materials such as lab coats, a calculator,

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|--|-------|---|-----------------------------------|----------------|
| <b>ECON 302</b> <sup>Z</sup><br>Principles of Macroeconomics | 3     | MATH 100 or 102 or 1 yr of high school Elem Algebra or equivalent | F(O), S(O), Su(O)                 | CRC Area V(b)  |
| <b>ENGED 305</b><br>Structure of English                     | 3     | ENGWR 300   | Check Class Schedule for offering | CRC Area II(a) |

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## Semester 4

13 Units

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|--|-------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|
| <b>HIST 308</b><br>History of World Civilizations, 1500 to Present | 3     | Advisory: ENGWR 300   | S                                 | CRC Area V(b) or VI |
| <b>ART 430</b><br>Art and Children                                 | 3     |                       | Check Class Schedule for offering | CRC Area I          |
| <b>CRC Area III(a)-Physical Edu Activity</b> <sup>Z</sup>          | 1     |                       | F, S, Su                          | CRC Area III(a)     |
| <b>Elective</b> <sup>1</sup>                                       | 3     |                       | F, S, Su                          |                     |
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<sup>^</sup>You must have passed the prerequisite course(s) with a "C" or better; Corequisite must be taken during the same semester; Advisory means it is recommended but not required to enroll in the course.

\*(O) = online available (P) = partially online

<sup>1</sup> Units required are determined by the number of units needed to total 60 units for graduation. Refer to [Course Number](#) for the appropriate courses for the degree.

art supplies, etc. See full definitions and searching tips on the [Zero Textbook Costs page](#) of the college website.