

**IT IS IMPORTANT TO SEE AN M.C.C. COUNSELOR EACH SEMESTER FOR ACADEMIC ADVISING. TO SCHEDULE AN APPOINTMENT CALL (231) 777-0362.**

**Muskegon Community College Curriculum Guide**

**Curriculum: ELEMENTARY EDUCATION -- WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY Curriculum Code: W09A**

This guide is appropriate for those students planning to transfer to W.M.U. in the field of Elementary Education. This guide is not appropriate for majors in Art, Health Education, Music, or Physical Education. Consult a counselor and the W.M.U. catalog.

It is not designed to obtain an A.S.A. degree from M.C.C. If you wish to fulfill the requirements for the A.S.A. degree, consult with a counselor. NOTE: It will take most students at least 5 years to complete the total program.

**CREDIT HOURS**

English 101 English Composition	3
<u>or</u>	
BCOM 101 Business and Technical Communications	3
Education 219 Science in the Elementary Classroom (if taken prior to Winter 2010)	3
Education 250 Human Growth and Learning (recommend taking prior to second year)	3
Education 221 Teaching Students with Learning and Behavior Problems (if taken prior to Winter 2010)	3
Health Education 106 Concepts of Health and Well-being	3
Mathematics 105 Math for Elementary Teachers (prerequisite: Mathematics 050)	4
History 201 <u>or</u> 202 U.S. History	3
History 210 World History II: From 1500 (other option available at W.M.U.)	3
Theater 101 Theater Appreciation (other options available at W.M.U.)	3
Art 211 Art Education Workshop	3
<u>or</u>	
Music 192 Music for the Classroom Teacher (and Music 190C Class Piano if needed)	4-5
Choose one course from the following if not choosing the science minor option below (other options available at W.M.U.):	4-5
Astronomy 101, 105A; Biology 103Lec & 103A, 110; Chemistry 101Lec & 101A, 120Lec & 120A;	
Physical Science 101A; Physics 105A	
Anthropology 110 Introduction to Cultural Anthropology (other option available at W.M.U.)	3
Geography 105 World Regional Geography	3
Political Science 111 Introduction to American Government	4
Course options applicable to minors:	variable
Science minor option: Chemistry 101Lec & 101A; Astronomy 101	
Social Studies minor option: Geography 104 (was 102A, 102C); History 211	
Early Childhood Endorsement option: Education 223	

**NOTES:**

English, Reading, and Mathematics Placement Tests may be required and are available in Testing Services, located in Room 134 – 777-0394. English and Reading placement tests may be waived if you show documentation of a proficiency level 1 or 2 on the high school MEAP or MME writing and reading tests or if you have an ACT composite score of 22 or greater. The Mathematics placement test may be waived if you show documentation of a score of 28 or above on the ACT Math test.

Students should check the M.C.C. catalog for course prerequisites.

It is recommended that Elementary Education students become familiar with the Elementary Education section in the W.M.U. catalog available on-line at [www.wmich.edu/catalog](http://www.wmich.edu/catalog).

**IMPORTANT NOTE:**

All students who request a program leading to a teaching certificate will be assigned to the Pre-Education curriculum upon admission to the University.

## **SELECTION FOR ELEMENTARY EDUCATION**

In order to enroll for the upper-level professional education courses, you must be accepted into either the Elementary or Secondary Education program. Upper professional level admission requirements, links, and forms are available at [www.wmich.edu/coe/admissions](http://www.wmich.edu/coe/admissions). The following are minimum requirements which must be met:

1. Completed and submitted all materials required for admission to the University to the W.M.U. Office of Admissions, 2240 Seibert Administration Building, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI 49008-5211.
2. Completed and submitted the College of Education and Human Development application when requirements are met to the Office of Advising, 2504 Sangren, Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, MI 49008-5275.
3. Achieved passing scores on the Michigan Test for Teacher Certification (MTTC) – Basic Skills section. This test should be taken in advance. Due to a change in State of Michigan instructions, official MTTC Basic Skills Test scores must be sent directly to W.M.U. from the testing agency. Students should designate W.M.U. as a recipient institution when they register for the test or they will have to pay a fee to send official scores after the test.
4. Completed 35 hours.
5. Completed all Western Michigan University Intellectual Skills Development requirements if required (e.g. Math, English, Reading).
6. Completed an approved college-level writing course.
7. Completed ED 2500, Human Development at W.M.U. or Education 250, Human Growth and Learning at M.C.C. with a grade of “C” or better.
8. Achieved a minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.5 or better at the time of application.
9. Completed Livescan background check less than one year prior to application to the College of Education and Human Development.

Students are allowed to apply to the upper division Elementary Education programs when all of the above requirements are met.