UNIVERSITY OF SAINT MARY FOUR-YEAR ACADEMIC PLAN

ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

This four-year plan is valid according to the USM Undergraduate Catalog and is subject to change. This guide is merely a recommendation. Your actual program may vary. Other factors may impact your time to degree and course sequencing. See the current USM Undergraduate Catalog at **http://www.stmary.edu/catalog** for more information, including USM academic policies, curriculum, pre-requisites, and course information.

Freshman Year	
Fall Semester (15 cr)	**Spring Semester (16 cr)**
First Year Experience 1 (3)	First Year Experience II (3)
English Comp I (3)	English Composition II (3)
Suggested Gen Ed Courses	Suggested Gen Ed Courses
U.S. History (3)*	Natural Science & Lab (4)*
Math (3)	Philosophy (3)
Theology (3) (IS)	Lifetime Physical Wellness (3)

Sophomore Year	
Fall Semester (18 cr)	**Spring Semester (18 cr)**
Suggested Gen Ed Courses	Py 290 Psych of Childhood & Adols (3)*
Theology (3)	Fine Arts Course (3)
Literature Course (3) (IS)	General Education Elective (3)
Natural Science & Lab (4)*	General Education Elective (3)
Social Science Course (3)	General Education Elective (3)
History Elective (3) (IS)	General Education Elective (3)
Elective (2)	

Junior Year	
Fall Semester (16 cr)	**Spring Semester (16 cr)**
ED 402 Foundations of Education: Social, Cultural, Philosophical, & Historical (4) (IS) *(25 hours of field experience required)*	ED 412 Teaching Social Studies in Diverse Settings (3)
ED 428 Psychological Foundations (3)	ED 411 Seminar II: Curr,Inst,&Assess in Div Settings (1) *(25 hours of field experience required)*
General Education Elective (3)	ED 460 Aesthetic Experiences in Elementary School (3)
General Education Elective (3)	ED 430 Educating Exceptional Children and Youth (3)
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Senior Year	
Fall Semester (17 cr)	**Spring Semester: Student Teaching (12 cr)**
ED 522 Methods of Teaching Diverse Learners (3)	*Candidates teach in an elementary school for the entire semester*
ED 466 Teaching Mathematics in Elementary School (3)	ED 590 Seminar III: Professional Collaborations (1)
ED 467 Teaching Science & Health in Elementary School (3)	ED 594 Classroom Management and Student Motivation (3)
ED 573 Integrated Reading & Language Arts Methods (4)	ED 595 Student Teaching (8)
ED 579 Supervised Reading Instruction (1) *(30 hours of field experience required)*	
General Education Elective (3)	

Additional Requirements for Major

*In addition to the university general education requirements, the elementary education majors fulfill the following:

PY 290 Psychology of Childhood and Adolescence is a required course for education majors

At least two history courses, including one US history

A biology and a physical science course with at least one lab in natural science

Formal admission to the Teacher Education Program

The PPST is required prior to enrolling in education courses. Required scores (R-173, W-172, M-172) must be achieved for formal admission to the Teacher Education Program.

Required application materials for admission should be submitted by September 1 of the Junior Year.