

B.S. Elementary Education

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Southwestern Adventist University's Education Department offers degrees in elementary and secondary education. Individuals prepare for certification in both Texas public schools and Seventh-day Adventist schools.

Certification options range from early childhood through 12th grade.

Individuals seeking secondary certification must complete a major or minor in a specified discipline while completing additional courses towards teacher certification. Secondary teaching credentials are available in history, life sciences, mathematics, music, and physical education. (See undergraduate bulletin for more info on secondary certification.)

We offer unique opportunities for students planning to become teachers. Field experience begins in the freshmen year. Students have opportunities to be involved in public and private schools. In addition, there are opportunities in the community to tutor in school-based programs, provide after school reading support, and participate in campus activities in local schools.

Job Market

90% of our graduates seeking Texas State credentials pass the certification exams. All of our graduates seeking employment in a school are offered positions within one year of graduation. Future possibilities with experience and additional education include curriculum specialist, diagnostician, interventionist, school librarian, principal, school counselors, and other school leaders.

Job Outlook

K-12 teaching jobs are expected to grow by 12 percent through 2022, according to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics. Mathematics, science and bilingual education teachers are in particular demand, as are education majors who are licensed to teach in more than one subject area. Job prospects also tend to be higher in urban and rural school districts.

Earnings

Depending on the area of the country, you can expect a salary range of \$35,000- \$55,000 as a first-year teacher



Professional Development for Teacher Education

The following courses comprise the professional core for education. All students seeking teacher certification in elementary education, Kinder - 12th in music or physical education, and secondary education certification for content areas in 7th - 12th grades are required to complete all courses unless otherwise specified.

EDUC 254 is not required for Physical Education majors.

EDUC 385 is required for North American Division of Seventh-day Adventist certification.

Not required if only pursuing State of Texas certification.

Item #	Title	Credits
EDUC 254	Introduction to the Teaching Profession	3
EDUC 312	Educational Psychology	3
EDUC 326	Learners With Exceptionalities	3
EDUC 350	Digital Literacy Proficiency	3
EDUC 385	Philosophy of Christian Education	3
EDUC 418	Legal Foundations of Education	3
EDUC 434	Classroom Assessment	3
EDUC 436	Classroom Management	3
	EDUC 475 or EDUC 485	6
EDUC 496	TEXES Prep #2 - Pedagogy and Professionalism Responsibilities EC-12	0
PSYC 220	Human Growth & Development	3
	Sub-Total Credits	33

K-12 Certification in Music or Physical Education and Secondary Education

Certification also requires:

Item #	Title	Credits
EDUC 322	Child and Adolescent Psychology	3
EDUC 450	Teaching Methods	3

Elementary Education Majors Early Childhood - Grade 6

Item #	Title	Credits
ARTS 223	Arts/Crafts/Drama	3
EDUC 275	Multicultural Perspective	3
EDUC 310	Teaching English Language Learners	3
EDUC 364	Kindergarten Materials and Methods	3
EDUC 375	Children's Literature	3
EDUC 382	Reading and Language Arts in the Elementary School	3
EDUC 386	Mathematics in the Elementary School	3
EDUC 414	Science and Health in the Elementary School	3
EDUC 419	Social Studies in the Elementary School	3
EDUC 424	Language Arts Essential Skills in the Elementary School	3
EDUC 460	Differentiated Instruction for the Elementary Classroom	3
EDUC 495	TEXES Prep #1 - Core Subjects EC-6	0
KINT 244	Physical Education in the Elementary School	3
MUED 253	Music in the School	3
	Sub-Total Credits	39

Sample 4 Year Curriculum

General Education Requirements

To view general education requirements for this major please visit: <https://catalog.swau.edu/core-curriculum-for-a-bachelors-degree>

First Year First Semester

Item #	Title	Credits
BIOL 103	Human Biology	4
ENGL 121	Freshman Composition	3
HIST 111	United States History to 1865	3
RELT 101	Christian Beliefs	3
UNIV 111	Wellness for Life	2
	Sub-Total Credits	15

First Year Second Semester

Item #	Title	Credits
EDUC 254	Introduction to the Teaching Profession	3
HIST 112	United States History from 1865	3
MATH 131	Applied Mathematics	3
PHYS 114	Physical Science	4
	Kinesiology GE Curriculum Guide	1
	Sub-Total Credits	14

Second Year Second Semester

Item #	Title	Credits
EDUC 275	Multicultural Perspective	3
KINT 244	Physical Education in the Elementary School	3
RELT 201	Bible Study Methods	3
ENGL 220	Research Writing	3
POLS 211	National and Texas Constitutions	3
	Sub-Total Credits	15

Second Year Second Semester

Item #	Title	Credits
MATH 110	College Algebra	3
	Literature GE Curriculum Guide	3
HIST 242	Historical and Political Geography	3
PSYC 220	Human Growth & Development	3
RELH 230	History of the Seventh-day Adventist Church	3
	Sub-Total Credits	15

Third Year First Semester

Item #	Title	Credits
EDUC 310	Teaching English Language Learners	3
EDUC 382	Reading and Language Arts in the Elementary School	3
EDUC 385	Philosophy of Christian Education	3
EDUC 386	Mathematics in the Elementary School	3
	Kinesiology GE Curriculum Guide	1
MUED 253	Music in the School	3
	Sub-Total Credits	16

Third Year Second Semester

Item #	Title	Credits
EDUC 326	Learners With Exceptionalities	3
EDUC 350	Digital Literacy Proficiency	3
EDUC 414	Science and Health in the Elementary School	3
EDUC 419	Social Studies in the Elementary School	3
EDUC 424	Language Arts Essential Skills in the Elementary School	3
EDUC 460	Differentiated Instruction for the Elementary Classroom	3
EDUC 495	TEXES Prep #1 - Core Subjects EC-6	0
	Sub-Total Credits	18

Fourth Year First Semester

Item #	Title	Credits
EDUC 312	Educational Psychology	3
EDUC 364	Kindergarten Materials and Methods	3
EDUC 375	Children's Literature	3
EDUC 418	Legal Foundations of Education	3
EDUC 434	Classroom Assessment	3
EDUC 496	TEXES Prep #2 - Pedagogy and Professionalism Responsibilities EC-12	0
	Religion GE Curriculum Guide	3
	Sub-Total Credits	18

Fourth Year Second Semester

Item #	Title	Credits
ARTS 223	Arts/Crafts/Drama	3
EDUC 436	Classroom Management	3
EDUC 475	Directed Teaching in Elementary School	6
	Sub-Total Credits	12

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