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Bachelor of Education in Elementary Education
Middle Grades Science Cognate (optional endorsement)
2024-2025 Degree Completion Plan

Important: This degree plan is effective for those starting this degree program in fall 2024 through summer 2025. This degree plan will remain in effect for students who do not break enrollment or who do not change degree programs, concentrations or cognates. As a requirement for completion of this program, including student teaching and passing required licensure tests, the graduate of this program, regardless of state residency, must obtain a VA state teaching license. The VA teaching license may then be used for reciprocity in another state according to the regulations of that state.

GENERAL EDUCATION/
FOUNDATIONAL SKILLS REQUIREMENTS (39-42 hours)

Course		Hrs	Sem	Grade
Communication & Information Literacy (12 hours)				
COMS 101	Speech Communication	3		
ENGL 101	Composition & Rhetoric	3		
ENGL 102	Composition & Literature	3		
HIUS 221	Survey of American History I	3		
Technological Solutions & Quantitative Reasoning (3-6 hours)				
MATH 117	Elements of Mathematics	3		
UNIV 104	Instructional Tech. for Online Learning	0-3		
Critical Thinking (7 hours)				
ENGL 201	American Literature I	3		
RLGN 104	Christian Life & Biblical Worldview[1]	4		
Civic & Global Engagement (3 hours)				
CSTU 101	Western Culture	3		
Social & Scientific Inquiry (6 hours)				
PHYS 101	Elements of Physics	3		
PSYC 210	Developmental Psychology	3		
Christianity & Contexts (8 hours)				
BIBL 104	Survey of Old & New Testament	4		
THEO 104	Introduction to Theology Survey[1]	4		

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Major Foundational Courses (23 hours)				
BIOL 101	Principles of Biology	3		
BIOL 103	Principles of Biology Lab	1		
GEOG 200	Introduction to Geography	3		
GOVT 200	Constitutional Govt. & Free Enterprise	3		
HIEU 202	History of Western Civilization II	3		
MATH 121	College Algebra	3		
MATH 217	Elementary Geometry	3		
PHSC 210	Elements of Earth Science	3		
PHYS 103	Elements of Physics Lab	1		

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	Core (54 hours)	Hrs	Sem	Grade
Elementary Education Courses				
EDUC 201	Intro. to Education & Classroom Tech.	3		
EDUC 225	Instr. Design for Elem. & Mid. Classroom	3		
EDUC 230	Foundations of Reading & Literacy	3		
EDUC 315	Instr. Approaches to Lit for Child. & Adol	3		
EDUC 318	Teaching Reading to Diverse Learners	3		
EDUC 319	Teach. Writ & Lang Arts to Div. Learners	3		
EDUC 322	Teaching Elem & Middle School Soc. Sci.	3		
EDUC 323	Teaching Elem. & Middle School Math.	3		
EDUC 324	Teaching Elem & Middle School Science	3		
EDUC 350	Behavioral & Individual Differences	3		
EDUC 360	Foundations of Education	3		
EDUC 410	Elementary School Curriculum	3		
EDUC 415	Diagnostic Measurement & Evaluation	3		
HIUS 390	History of Virginia	3		
Practicum and Gate Courses				
EDGT 175	School of Ed Gate 1 – UG Initial Lic – Dist	0		
EDGT 275	School of Ed Gate 2 – UG Initial Lic – Dist	0		
EDGT 375	School of Ed Gate 3 – UG Initial Lic – Dist	0		
EDUC 188	Practicum in Education I: Distance[2]	0		
EDUC 288	Practicum in Education II: Distance[2]	0		
EDUC 388	Practicum in Education III: Distance[2]	0		
Professional Semester				
EDST 476	The Reflective Educator: Resource Sem	3		
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	Cognate (13-15 hours)	Hrs	Sem	Grade
CHEM 105	Elements of General Chemistry[3]			
or CHEM 108	Chemistry for Health Sci. Professionals[4]	4		
EDUC 412	Middle School Curriculum & Instruction	3		
EDUC 488	Practicum in Middle Education: Distance[2]	0		
NASC 315	Environmental Science			
or PHSC 311	Oceanography	3-4		
PHSC 121	Introduction to Astronomy			
or PHSC 310	Astronomy: An Integrated Approach	3-4		

Notes
All applicable prerequisites must be met

All practicum courses should be completed before student teaching, and candidates should not plan to take these courses in summer terms.

[1]Students transferring in 45 or more UG credit hours will have the requirement of RLGN 104 waived; Students transferring in 60 or more UG credit hours will also have the requirement of THEO 104 waived

[2]Liberty University School of Education Background check is required for all practicums and student teaching

[3]Offered in Resident Format

[4]Offered in Online Format

[5]Choose one of the following Student Teaching options: EDST 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, or 469

[6]This course should be taken in the final semester

Suggested Course Sequence on second page

Graduation Requirements
129	Total Hours
3.0	Overall grade point average
32.25	Hours must be upper-level courses (300-400 level)
Grade of 'C'	Minimum required for all courses in the major and cognate
25%	Of major taken through Liberty University
32.25	Hours must be completed through Liberty University
Grad App	Submission of Degree Completion Application must be completed within the last semester of a student's anticipated graduation date

SUGGESTED COURSE SEQUENCE

FRESHMAN YEAR

First Semester		Second Semester	
COMS 101	3	ENGL 102	3
ENGL 101	3	MATH 217	3
HIEU 202	3	PHYS 101	3
MATH 117	3	PHYS 103	1
UNIV 104	0-3	RLGN 104	4
EDGT 175	0	EDGT 275	0
EDUC 201	3	EDUC 350	3
	Total 15-18		Total 17

SOPHOMORE YEAR

BIOL 101	3	CSTU 101	3
BIOL 103	1	GEOG 200	3
ENGL 201	3	GOVT 200	3
EDUC 225	3	HIUS 221	3
PSYC 210	3	PHSC 210	3
PHSC 121 or 310	3-4	EDUC 315	3
	Total 16-17		Total 18

JUNIOR YEAR

BIBL 104	4	THEO 104	4
MATH 121	3	EDUC 288[3,5]	0
CHEM 105[1] or 108[2]	4	EDUC 322	3
EDUC 188[3,4]	0	EDUC 323[5]	3
EDUC 318[4]	3	EDUC 324	3
EDUC 319	3	NASC 315 or PHSC 311	3-4
	Total 17		Total 16-

SENIOR YEAR

HIUS 390	3	EDST 476	3
EDUC 230	3	Student Teaching Option[3,7]	9
EDUC 360	3		Total 12
EDGT 375	0		
EDUC 388[3,6]	0		
EDUC 410[6]	3		
EDUC 412	3		
EDUC 415	3		
EDUC 488	0		
	Total 18		

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[4]EDUC 188 and EDUC 318 are co-requisites, and should not be taken in the summer.

[5]EDUC 288 and EDUC 323 are co-requisites, and should not be taken in the summer.

[6]EDUC 388 and EDUC 410 are co-requisites, and should not be taken in the summer.

[7]Choose one of the following Student Teaching options: EDST 460, 461, 462, 463, 464, 465, 466, 467, 468, or 469