Elementary Education

Undergraduate major: elementary education (B.A., B.S.)
Web site: http://www.education.uiowa.edu/teach

Undergraduate Program of Study

- Major in elementary education (Bachelor of Arts, Bachelor of Science)

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The College of Education offers the major in elementary education. The major is available with a Bachelor of Arts or a Bachelor of Science; both degrees are awarded by the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences. The College of Education also offers endorsement for instruction of middle school students (secondary education).

Students interested in pursuing a degree in elementary education must first be admitted to the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences and then must apply to the College of Education. Admission to the College of Education’s elementary education program is not guaranteed. In order to be considered for admission to the elementary education program, undergraduates must complete a minimum of 30 s.h. of course work and must have a University of Iowa and a cumulative g.p.a. of at least 3.00. All students must submit PRAXIS I or PRAXIS Core test scores with their application to the Teacher Education Program (TEP). Students should visit with an advisor or speak with Teacher Education Program staff about complete admission requirements.

The elementary education major prepares students to teach kindergarten through sixth grade. Students complete course work in the foundations and methods of teaching. They also may complete requirements for an endorsement, choosing from reading, English/language arts, science, social science, and other areas. Contact the College of Education’s Office of Education Services for information about endorsement requirements.

Students must maintain a g.p.a. of at least 2.70 in all courses for the major and in all UI courses for the major. They also must complete the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences General Education Program and must satisfy all other requirements for graduation with a bachelor’s degree from the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences.

For information about elementary and secondary education curriculum requirements, student teaching, and teacher licensure, see “TEP: Elementary Education (Undergraduate)” and “TEP: Secondary Education (Undergraduate and Graduate)” in the Teaching and Learning (College of Education) section of the Catalog and contact the Office of Education Services.