

ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

JCJC CURRICULUM SHEET

Admission to the senior college does not constitute admission to a teacher education program. Students who desire to be admitted to a professional education program must first have successfully passed Praxis I, either the Pre-Professional Skills Test (PPST) or the Computer Based Test (CBT). These students would typically be in their sophomore year and would be preparing to be in the normal sequence of professional education courses in their junior year. A 2.50 minimum GPA on the general 44 semester-hour core curriculum (a requirement by the State Department of Education) must be achieved. USM requires 2.65 GPA and MSU a 2.75 GPA, rather than the minimum 2.5 GPA. A grade of D in a class in the Elementary Education curriculum usually requires that the course be repeated on the senior college campus.

Students may be admitted without these tests if they have attained the minimum scores set by the Mississippi State Department of Education on the ACT (Composite 21 with no subscore below 18). These scores must be attained while the student is in high school. **Students transferring to USM need to choose two areas of concentration for the K-8 Elementary Education major.**

FRESHMAN YEAR

ENGLISH COMPOSITION (6 HRS)

ENG 1113 English Comp. I 3
ENG 1123 English Comp. II 3

HISTORY (Select 6 HRS in one group)

HIS 1113 Western Civ. I 3
HIS 1123 Western Civ. II or 3
HIS 2213 American History I 3
HIS 2223 American History II 3

SOCIAL SCIENCE (9 HRS)

PSY 1513 General Psychology+ 3
GEO 1113 Geography+ 3
PSC 1113 Am. Nat. Government 3
SOC 2113 Sociology 3
+ *Required course*

MATH (6 HRS)

MAT 1313 College Algebra 3
MAT 1723 Real Numbers 3
+ *See Math note over.*

BIOLOGICAL LAB SCI. (4-8 HRS) +

BIO 1134 General Biology I 4
BIO 1144 General Biology II 4
+ *See Science requirements over.*

COMPUTER SCIENCE (3 HRS)

CSC 1113 Computer Concepts+ 3
+ *See Computer Science note over.*

SOPHOMORE YEAR

HUMANITIES (Select 6-12 HRS)

ENG 2413 World Literature+ 3
ENG 2153 Traditional Grammar+ 3
ENG 2123 Eng. Literature I 3
ENG 2133 Eng. Literature II 3
PHI 21113 Philosophy (UM) 3
+ *Required at MSU and USM.*

FINE ARTS (6 HRS)

ART 1113 Art Appreciation or 3
MUS 1113 Music Appreciation 3
ART 1913 Art for Elem. Tchrs. or+ 3
MUS 2513 Music for Elem. Tchrs. 3
+ *See Fine Arts note over.*

SOCIAL SCIENCE (6 HRS)

PSC 1113 Am. Nat. Government 3
ECO 2113 Economics I 3

PHYSICAL LAB SCIENCE (4-8 HRS)

PHY 2244 Physical Science I+ 4
PHY 2254 Physical Science II+ 4
+ *Select both for MSU. See Science Requirements over.*

SPEECH (3 HRS)

SPT 1113 Speech 3

HEALTH (3 HRS) USM & UM

HPR 1213 Health 3

ELEMENTARY EDUCATION -- NOTES:

The student should note that state teacher certification requirements supersede the program requirements shown in the catalog. Mandated changes in program requirements will be communicated through the student's academic adviser.

Math. Students without an adequate high school math background, which includes a minimum of Algebra II, should enroll in a preparatory math course, such as basic math, beginning algebra or intermediate algebra, prior to college algebra. Preparatory math courses will not transfer to other institutions. Real Number System, MAT 1723, is a second required course to fulfill 6 hrs.

Humanities. For UM, students take two courses in English above Composition I & II, such as world literature and one English literature course. One course in philosophy is also needed for UM. USM & MSU specify two courses, world literature and traditional grammar.

Science. A minimum of one course each in biological and physical sciences is required in the elementary education core curriculum followed by an elective in either of these two areas or math. USM transfers should have a total of 12 semester hours of laboratory science courses. USM requires only 8 hours of lab science for K-8 majors. Elementary Education majors transferring to USM who choose science as an area of concentration must take an additional 12 hours in science from the Biological and Physical Sciences.

Social Science. For USM, 15 hrs. of social science is required. General psychology, Human Growth & Development and Geography are required courses. The remaining nine hrs. may be selected from Am. Nat. Government, Sociology, or Economics I.

Fine Arts. Art for Elementary Teachers and Music for Elementary Teachers may be required at some senior colleges in certain areas of concentration. The student should check the senior college catalog.

Computer Concepts. MSU requires elementary education majors to take an introductory course in computer concepts. At USM, computer concepts is an acceptable elective for those elementary education majors pursuing a math or science concentration.

Additional Notes

William Carey. William Carey students must make a C or above in English Comp I and II, and they must make a C or better in their concentration courses. Students attending William Carey should note that PHI 1113 Old Testament, PHI 1133 New Testament, ART 1913 Art for Elementary Teachers, and CSC 1113 Computer Concepts are required. Elementary education majors must also take two semesters of physical education. HPR 1213 from JCJC is not an acceptable substitute for William Carey's two semester physical education requirement.. HEA 300 at William Carey does meet the requirement for two semesters of physical education. Also, William Carey specifies a second literature rather than traditional grammar. However, a semester of traditional grammar does count toward an English concentration in elementary education at William Carey. **Students transferring to William Carey must take an English proficiency test. Students who fail this test must take an English review class.**

Additional Notes

Mississippi State. **Students planning to attend MS State University must have a 2.75 GPA and no grade below a C. They must also show evidence of 40 documented hours of working with children.**

Students should plan to complete no more than half of the hours required for a bachelor's degree prior to transferring to the senior institution. The student should consult the catalog of the senior institution for specific admissions procedures and other details concerning the program of study. This CHECK SHEET should be used to keep a careful record of grades for each of the courses and should be presented to the student's advisor for planning the schedule of courses each semester at JCJC.