

West Shore Community College (WSCC)

Articulation Agreement and Transfer Guide

The School of Education offers an exemplary program in Elementary Education designed to provide a balanced blend of theory and practice. Throughout the program students will complete at least 600 hours in a variety of hands-on, field-based experiences in the PK-3 or 3-6 classroom. Our class sizes of 20-25 students guarantee that all students receive the attention they deserve. A background in state-of-the-art educational technology prepares students to integrate computer technology into instruction.

The professional education courses include field-based experiences supervised by instructional teams comprised of teacher educators, professors from the content area disciplines, and expert PK-6 teachers.

Teacher Certification Requirements

As required by the State of Michigan to receive teacher certification, all teacher candidates must: (1) meet the MDE (CAEP) cohort requirements, (2) pass the pedagogy tests in their subject area majors, and (3) have a 2.75 minimum GPA to receive teacher certification in Michigan. These state requirements are in addition to the FSU graduation requirements of your individual program.

Communication Competency

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	WSCC Equiv.	WSCC Course Title	WSCC Cr. Hrs.
COMM 121	Fundamentals of Public Speaking	3	COM 101	Principles of Speaking	3
ENGL 150	English 1 (B or above)	3	ENG 111	English Composition I	3
ENGL 250	English 2 (B or above)	3	ENG 112	English Composition II	3
ENGL 321	Advanced Composition	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	0

Quantitative Literacy– See below or Official Pre-2016 Math SAT Score of 560 or Higher, Official Post-2016 MATH SAT Score of 580 or Higher, or Official Math ACT Score of 24 or Higher.

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	WSCC Equiv.	WSCC Course Title	WSCC Cr. Hrs.
MATH 114 or MATH 115 or MATH 117	Quantitative Reasoning for Pro 2 or Intermediate Algebra or Contemporary Mathematics	4 or 3 or 4	MTH 125 or MTH 121 or MTH 125	Quantitative Reasoning Intermediate Algebra Quantitative Reasoning	3 4 3

Natural Sciences Competency - Two courses are required with a minimum of 6 credits: must have at least one lab course.

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	WSCC Equiv.	WSCC Course Title	WSCC Cr. Hrs.
BIOL 103	Biological Concepts	4	NSC 101	Life Science	4
PHSC 115	Inquiry into Physical Science	4	NSC 102	Physical Science: Physics & Space	4

Culture Competency - 3 courses are required with a minimum of 9 credits: must be from 2 different disciplines and have at least 1 at FSU 200 level or higher course.

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	WSCC Equiv.	WSCC Course Title	WSCC Cr. Hrs.
HIST 121	United States History to 1877	3	HIS 145	US History to 1877	3
HIST 230	Michigan History	3	HIS 214	History of Michigan	3
LITR 326	Children's Literature	3	EDU 222	Children's Literature	3

Self and Society Competency - 3 courses are required with a minimum of 9 credits: must be from 2 different disciplines and have at least 1 at FSU 200 level or higher course.

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	WSCC Equiv.	WSCC Course Title	WSCC Cr. Hrs.
GEOG 100	Geography of World Regions	3	GEO 133	World Regional Geography	3
PLSC 121	American Government 1 – People & Politics	3	POL 151	American National Government	3
ECON 201	Principles of Microeconomics	3	ECO 136	Principles of Microeconomics	3

Ferris State University General Education www.ferris.edu/gened. Students are encouraged to work with an advisor to select appropriate general education courses.

Diversity Competency – 2 Courses Required

If not met by courses taken for Culture, Self and Society, or MTA, a student must meet the following:

- 1 course with the Global Diversity attribute *Fulfilled by Ferris GEOG 100 (above)
- 1 course with the U.S. Diversity attribute *Fulfilled by Ferris GEOG 100 (above)

College Requirements – 81 to 82 Credits Required**Major Courses – 15 Credits Required**

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	WSCC Equiv.	WSCC Course Title	WSCC Cr. Hrs.
MATH 208	Elementary School Mathematics 1	3	MTH 126	Math – Elementary Teachers 1	3
MATH 209	Elementary School Mathematics 2	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	0
EDLA 261	Foundations of Literacy	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	0
ENGL 301	Introduction to Linguistics	3	ENG 251	Introduction to Linguistics	3
MATH 307	Elementary School Mathematics	3	MTH 127	Math – Elementary Teachers 2	3

Concentrations – 66 to 67 Credits Required – Choose one concentration

1. Pre-Kindergarten through Third Grade Concentration (see below)
2. Third Grade through Sixth Grade Concentration (see page 3)

The School of Education strongly advises to complete both concentrations and to see a Ferris Education Advisor as the number of courses and credits will change in the combination of the two pathways.

Pre-Kindergarten through Third Grade Concentration – 67 Credits Required**Level 1 Courses – 16 Credits Required**

Students may only retake two of the six Level 1 courses. Students may not repeat any education course more than once. These courses are used to calculate the major 2.75 GPA requirement.

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	WSCC Equiv.	WSCC Course Title	WSCC Cr. Hrs.
EDCD 112	Theories of Child Development	3	ECE 130	Childhood Dev for Early Child Edu	3
EDCD 115	Observation & Documentation of Children	3	ECE 120	Early Childhood Ed and Child Care I	7
EDCD 211	Methods for Teaching Preschool & School Age Children	4			
EDUC 161	Foundations of Education	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	0
EDUC 261	Children's Healthy Living	2	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	0

Level 2 Courses – 39 Credits Required

Prior to enrolling in any Level 2 courses, all students must meet the Michigan Department of Education (MDE) requirements, currently Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP); see advisor for options. Complete all Level 1 courses with a minimum of 2.50 GPA with no grade lower than a C, have a 2.50 cumulative GPA, and complete a Level 2 application. Students may not repeat any education course more than once. These courses are used to calculate the major 2.75 GPA requirement.

FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	WSCC Equiv.	WSCC Course Title	WSCC Cr. Hrs.
EDCD 308	Teaching Special Needs in Education & Childhood Education	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	0
EDLA 311	Advanced Foundations of Literacy Pre-Kindergarten through Third Grade	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	0
EDMA 331	Math Methods of Teaching Pre-Kindergarten through Sixth Grade	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	0
EDSC 331	3D Science Methods for Elementary Education Pre-Kindergarten through Sixth Grade	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	0
EDUC 361	Instructional Design	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	0
EDLA 411	Literacy Instruction & Assessment Pre-Kindergarten through Third Grade	4	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	0
EDLA 419	Literacy Methods Field Experience Pre-Kindergarten through Third Grade	1	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	0
EDMA 419	Math Methods Field Experience Pre-Kindergarten through Third Grade	1	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	0
EDSC 419	Science Methods Field Experience Pre-Kindergarten through Third Grade	1	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	0
EDSS 419	Social Studies Methods Field Experience Pre-Kindergarten through Third Grade	1	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	0
EDLA 431	Literacy Methods of Teaching Pre-Kindergarten through Sixth Grade	4	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	0

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FSU Course	FSU Course Title	FSU Cr. Hrs.	WSCC Equiv.	WSCC Course Title	WSCC Cr. Hrs.
EDMA 431	Math Assessments & Supports Pre-Kindergarten through Sixth Grade	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	0
EDSC 431	Advanced 3D Science Methods of Teaching Pre-Kindergarten through Sixth Grade	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	0
EDSS 431	Social Studies Methods of Teaching Pre-Kindergarten through Sixth Grade	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	0
EDLA 461	Language & Literacy Capstone	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	0

Level 3 Courses – 12 Credits Required

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EDUC 499	Student Teaching (Dept. Approval)	12	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	0

Third Grade Through Sixth Grade Concentration – 66 Credits Required**Level 1 Courses** – 15 Credits Required

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EDCD 115	Observation & Documentation of Children	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	0
EDUC 161	Foundations of Education	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	0
EDUC 251	Human Growth Development	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	0
EDUC 261	Children's Healthy Living	2	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	0
EDUC 289	Principles of Teaching & Learning	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	0

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EDLA 321	Advanced Foundations of Literacy Third Grade through Sixth Grade	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	0
EDMA 331	Math Methods for Teaching Pre-Kindergarten through Sixth Grade	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	0
EDSC 331	3D Science Methods for Elementary Education Pre-Kindergarten through Sixth Grade	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	0
EDUC 361	Instructional Design	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	0
EDUC 415	Teaching Special Needs	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	0
EDLA 421	Literacy Instruction and Assessment Third Grade through Sixth Grade	4	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	0
EDLA 429	Literacy Methods Field Experience Third Grade through Sixth Grade	1	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	0
EDMA 429	Math Methods Field Experience Third Grade through Sixth Grade	1	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	0
EDSC 429	Science Methods Field Experience Third Grade through Sixth Grade	1	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	0
EDSS 429	Social Studies Methods Field Experience Third Grade through Sixth Grade	1	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	0
EDLA 431	Literacy Methods of Teaching Pre-Kindergarten through Sixth Grade	4	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	0
EDMA 431	Math Assessments & Supports Pre-Kindergarten through Sixth Grade	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	0

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EDSS 431	Social Studies Methods of Teaching Pre-Kindergarten through Sixth Grade	3	No Equivalent	No Equivalent	0
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Total Credits Required for Degree	122-124
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Program Contact Information:**Main Campus, Big Rapids**

College of Arts, Sciences, and Education

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Select courses may be delivered online and/or in a mixed delivery format (i.e. a mix of online and face-to-face instruction at the Ferris Main Campus or at an off-campus location).

General Admission Criteria**Transfer Students – Degree Completion at the Community College**

- Applicant must have at least 30 transferable credits and a minimum 2.50 cumulative GPA.
- All transferable courses must be a “C” grade or higher
- The following courses must be completed prior to admission (West Shore Community College equivalent in parenthesis): ENGL 150 (ENG 111), ENGL 250 (ENG 112), COMM 121 (COM 101), and MATH 114 (MTH 125), 115 (MTH 121) or 117 (MTH 125).

Transfer Students – Degree Completion at Main Campus, Big Rapids

- Applicant must have at least 12 transferable credits and a minimum 2.50 cumulative GPA.
- All transferable courses must be a “C” grade or higher
- It is highly recommended that the following Ferris equivalency courses be completed prior to admission: ENGL 150 and MATH 114, 115 or 117.
- Students transferring into the program with completed majors or minors must have the appropriate GPA as established by each department.

New Student Admission Requirements for incoming freshman refer to the Ferris Catalog www.ferris.edu/catalog.

Steps to Apply

1. Complete a free application at www.ferris.edu/apply.
2. Submit Official transcripts from every school attended to:
 - Ferris State University Admissions Office, 1201 S. State St, CSS 201, Big Rapids, MI 49307
 - Transfer@ferris.edu
3. Submit Test Scores (if required)
 - ACT Scores; go to www.act.org. Ferris State University School Code: 1994
 - SAT, CLEP and AP Scores; go to www.collegeboard.org. Ferris State University School Code: 1222

Advising Notes

It is recommended that potential applicants meet with an advisor to review the degree, course schedule, and have any questions answered prior to completing an application. Students who are completing the MTA may have different general education course requirements for the particular degree selected. Meeting with a Ferris advisor prior to the selection of general education or elective course work may reduce the chance of completing a course that will not apply toward the selected degree. Once admitted, students must continue to meet with an advisor as they work toward graduation.

Transfer Student Orientation

All new students to Ferris State University are required to complete an orientation.

Reverse Transfer Agreement

West Shore Community College and Ferris have entered into a partnership in order to work collaboratively and creatively to increase student completion of associate and bachelor's degrees. The partners work together to provide a seamless transfer experience and increase student retention and completion at both the West Shore Community College and Ferris.

Original Signed Articulation Agreement

The original, signed document is kept on file in the Office of Transfer and Secondary School Partnerships. To obtain a copy of the original, signed document, contact the Office of Transfer and Secondary School Partnerships at (231) 591-5983 or email your request to otssp@ferris.edu.

This Agreement may be executed in counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original, but all of which together shall be deemed to be one and the same agreement. A signed copy of this Agreement delivered by facsimile, e-mail, or other means of electronic transmission shall be deemed to have the same legal effect as delivery of an original signed copy of this Agreement.

Articulation Agreement

Effective Dates: September 1, 2021 – September 1, 2024

This Agreement shall commence as of September 1, 2021 and shall be for an initial term of three years. Minor updates to the agreement may be made during this time. This agreement may be renewed at the end of three years. Either party may terminate this agreement by providing the other party with written notice of the intent to terminate the agreement. The agreement shall terminate not less than one hundred eighty (180) days from the date of the termination notice, unless otherwise agreed in writing by both parties.

Signatures

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