# **Education Emphasis**

Associate of Arts (AA) Degree

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## **Program Information**

This program is designed for transfer to a bachelor's degree in Education. In addition to lower division introductory coursework in education, the 40 credit Minnesota Transfer Curriculum (MnTC) is completed within the degree to facilitate easy transfer. For assistance in program planning, or to explore additional transfer options, students should schedule a time to meet with an academic advisor. This degree may transfer in part or in its entirety to baccalaureate institutions. Students should meet with a representative of the transfer institution when planning their program.

#### **Program Goals**

By completing this program, students will achieve the following learning goals:

- Qualify for entrance to an upper-division university program in Education;
- 2. Demonstrate knowledge, skills, and dispositions necessary to become a proficient and compassionate teaching professional;
- 3. Competently participate in discourse regarding the cognitive, social, physical, and emotional stages of child and adolescent development and articulate how these factors influence teaching practices;
- 4. Express a philosophy of education that values student diversity and distinguishes amongst the ways in which student learning occurs; and
- 5. Exhibit effective communication skills (verbal, nonverbal, written, and technologically driven mediums) that contribute to effective teaching practices.

## **Developmental Courses**

Some students may need preparatory courses in the areas of English, mathematics or reading. Courses numbered below 1000 will not apply toward this degree.

#### **Completion Requirements**

- A minimum of 60 semester credits in courses numbered 1000 or above
- A minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 in courses numbered 1000 or above at ARCC.
- A minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 in all MnTC courses.
- Satisfy residency requirements. See page 27.
- Completion of specific degree requirements. Students may earn only one AA degree regardless of emphasis.
- To receive your diploma, you must apply to graduate.
- The requirements of this program are subject to change without notice.

## **Program Requirements: 17 credits**

☐ EDUC 2000	Foundations of Education	3
☐ EDUC 2030	Introduction to Special Education	
☐ PSYC 1110	General Psychology	
□ PSYC 2235♦	Lifespan Development	
□ PSYC 2265♦	Educational Psychology	3

## General Education/MnTC Requirements: 40 credits

Distribution requirements are satisfied through completion of the Minnesota Transfer Curriculum (MnTC) listed below. These criteria must be met to complete the MnTC:

- 1. All ten goal areas listed below must be completed.
- 2. A total of at least 40 semester credits from courses listed in the MnTC must be satisfactorily completed. One course may satisfy more than one goal area, but the course credits may be counted only once.
- 3. A 2.0 MnTC GPA is required for recognition of a student's completion of the entire Minnesota Transfer Curriculum, with or without completing an associate degree.
- 4. Students completing the AA with Education Emphasis are required to complete the selected MnTC courses listed below.

□ BIOL 1103       Environmental Science       3         □ BIOL 1133       Environmental Science Lab       1         □ CMST 1110       Introduction to Communication       3         □ CMST 2215       Public Speaking       3         □ ENGL 1120 ◆       Cross-Current College Writing and Critical Reading       4         □ ENGL 1121 ◆       College Writing and Critical Reading       4         □ ENGL 2209       Children's Literature       3         □ HIST 2211       US History I       4         □ MATH 1120 ◆       Mathematics for Educational Arts       3         □ MUSC 1104       Fundamentals of Music       3         □ Physical Science Elective       4         □ SOC 1111       General Sociology       3         □ SOC 2207       Sociology of Power       3	☐ ART 1100	Introduction to Art	
□ CMST 1110       Introduction to Communication	☐ BIOL 1103	Environmental Science	
□ CMST 2215       Public Speaking	☐ BIOL 1133	Environmental Science Lab 1	
□ ENGL 1120♦ Cross-Current College Writing and Critical Reading OR □ ENGL 1121♦ College Writing and Critical Reading	☐ CMST 1110	Introduction to Communication 3	
OR         □ ENGL 1121 ◆ College Writing and Critical Reading       .4         □ ENGL 2209       Children's Literature       .3         □ HIST 2211       US History I       .4         □ MATH 1120 ◆ Mathematics for Educational Arts       .3         □ MUSC 1104       Fundamentals of Music       .3         □ Physical Science Elective       .4         □ SOC 1111       General Sociology       .3	☐ CMST 2215	Public Speaking	
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□ SOC 2207 Sociology of Power	☐ SOC 1111	General Sociology	
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## **Wellness Requirement: 3 credits**

☐ HPER 1102 Drugs, Alcohol, and Tobacco......3

## **Program Sequence:**

The sequence that follows is suggested for full-time students. Parttime students will need more time to complete this program.

	Fall Semester	Spring Semester
1st YEAR	EDUC 2000	EDUC 2030
	Fall Semester	Spring Semester
2nd YEAR	ENGL 2209 3 HPER 1102 3 CMST 2215 3 HIST 2211 4 SOC 1111 3 TOTAL 16	ART 1100

Course has prerequisite - see course schedule or catalog description.
 Course requires Instructor permission.



