Illinois State University
Transfer Planning Guide – EDUCATION MAJOR
Use in tandem with ISU general transfer guide

The College of Education is selective in its admissions and may be very competitive within the elementary education major. (GPA is based on all courses taken, see Admissions note on transfer reference guide)

- Minimum GPA recommendation: EL ED 3.0/4.0 cumulative G.P.A., ECE: 3.0/4.0 cum. G.P.A.; Special Education: 2.7/4.0 cum. G.P.A.; Middle Level Education: 2.75/4.0 cum. G.P.A.
- Apply EARLY (after 30 hours) - 1 year in advance of the semester entering
- Must earn a C or better in all courses. Grades in courses of C- or lower may not be used for State of Illinois Licensure, Endorsements, or Approvals.
- Students are strongly recommended to pass the Illinois Test of Academic Proficiency (TAP) prior to entering ISU as a junior: http://www.il.nesinc.com/. The ACT or SAT may be taken in lieu of the TAP.
  - ACT tests taken under the current ACT format (After September 10, 2016) must have a minimum composite score of 22 and a minimum writing score of 6 on the same test. (Writing is now based on a 12 point scale). If ACT taken after September 1, 2015, student must receive a minimum composite score of 22 and a minimum writing score of 16.
  - If SAT taken after March 5, 2016 the minimum composite score is 1110 (Evidence based Reading and Writing & Mathematics) and a minimum score of 26 on Writing and Language Test; if taken before March 5, 2016 student needs a 1030 composite score (critical reading + math) and a minimum 450 in Writing. The test scores must be no older than 10 years at the time of admission to Gateway I admission to Professional Studies, and submission to the ISBE. For more information please visit: https://education.illinoisstate.edu/teacher/gateways/tap.php.
- ISBE now accepts Super Scoring to meet requirements for either the ACT or SAT. ISBE will add the highest subject scores from individual tests and divide by the total number to develop a new super score composite average. For more information visit: https://www.isbe.net/Pages/Search-Results.aspx?k=documents%20act%20in%20lieu

- Early Childhood, Elementary Education, Bilingual Education, Middle Level Education, and Special Education majors are strongly urged to complete their AA/AS degree prior to transferring.
- For Special Education: Required at least 24 credit hours for admission.
- For more transfer information for education majors visit: http://education.illinoisstate.edu/academics/majors/transfer.shtml

Early Childhood Education (Birth to Grade 3)
Strongly recommended to complete the AA/AS for admission. Follow the IAI General Education core in the CLC catalog and include the following recommended courses for admission to the program at ISU.

Communications: ENG 121; 122 or 126; CMM 121
Mathematics: Any IAI Math
Humanities/Fine Arts: ENG 249; (2 additional courses -follow IAI)
Physical/Life Sciences: BIO 123 or 141; CHM 120, 121 140 or 142
Earth/Space requirement: ESC 120, 123, 124, 127, 128, 129 or 224
Social/Behavioral: HST 221 or 222; ECO 221 or 222; PSC 121; GEG 122 or 123
Electives: (EDU124 or ECE 124 or PSY 222); EDU 222; and ENG 249 (only if pursuing a Reading Endorsement)

1 GEG 122 or 123 may be used to fulfill ISU’s Global requirement. Additional options include HUM 128, 129; ANT 121, 221; GEG 223; HST 126,127,245,246; PHI 126; PSC 222.

Elementary Education (Grades 1 to 6)
Strongly recommended to complete the AA/AS for admission. Follow the IAI General Education core in the CLC catalog and include the following recommended courses for admission to the program at ISU.

Communications: ENG 121; 122 or 126; CMM 121
Mathematics: MTH 121, MTH 221, MTH 122, 222
Humanities/Fine Arts: ENG 249; (2 additional courses -follow IAI)
Physical/Life Sciences: BIO 123 or 141; CHM 120, 121 140 or 142

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Grayslake Counseling Center/A124, (847)549-2060
Transfer Guides can be viewed online at http://www.clcillinois.edu/info/transfer
Earth Space requirement: ESC 120, 123, 124, 127, 128, 129 or 224
Social/Behavioral: History, Economics, Geography and Political Science are required: HST 221 or 222; ECO 221 or 222; PSC 121; GEG 122 or 123
Electives: (EDU124 or ECE 124 or PSY 222); EDU 222; PED 220

1 Must complete MTH 122 or show proficiency by taking ALEKS exam; or evidence of passing a higher level math class of which Algebra would be a basis.

2 GEG 122 or 123 may be used to fulfill ISU’s Global requirement. Additional options include HUM 128, 129; ANT 121, 221; GEG 223; HST 126,127,245,246; PHI 126; PSC 222.

Note: MAT 130 will be taken at ISU (no equivalent at CLC).

Middle Level Teacher Education (Grades 5 to 8)
The State of Illinois has revised standards and endorsement for those planning to teach grades 5-8. ISU developed a new program which meets State requirements for all who plan to graduate from ISU in Middle Level after September 1, 2017.

Every teacher candidate planning on this major must take a core set of Education classes (41 semester hours) at ISU as well as a concentration in at least 2 subject areas (see below). Taking any of these classes prior to transfer would be beneficial to the student.

Math Concentration (26 hours): MTH 122; MTH 145
Science Concentration (26 hours): BIO 123, 141 or 161; CHM 120, 121, 140, 142; PHY 120 or 121; ESC 121; ESC 123, 127, or 129
Social Science Concentration (28 hours): ECO 221 or 222; PSC 121; GEG 123; HST 121 or 122; HST 221 or 222
English Language Arts Concentration (27 hours): ENG 122 or 126; ENG 225 or 226; ENG 229
English as a Second Language (English Language Learners) (21 hours): EDU 224

Special Education
All Special Education majors are required to complete at least 24 college hours for admission. Follow the IAI General Education core in the CLC catalog and include the following recommended courses for admission to the program at ISU. (Special Ed. majors include the following three sequences: Learning and Behavior, Deaf and Hard of Hearing, and Low Vision and Blindness.)

Communications: ENG 121; 122 or 126; CMM 121
Mathematics: MTH 121 required for major; and 221 preferred for IAI Math (any IAI Math will meet requirement)
Humanities/Fine Arts: follow IAI (see note in Electives re: Global Studies)
Physical/Life Sciences: follow IAI
Social/Behavioral: PSY 121, no more than 2 courses here may be PSY (see note in Electives re: Global Studies)
Electives: EDU 124 or ECE 124 or PSY 222; EDU 222, 225; include one of the following to meet the Global Studies requirement: ENG 246, 247; HUM 128, 129; ANT 121, 221; GEG 122, 223, 123; HST 126, 127, 245, 246; PHI 126, 221; PSC 222

The College of Lake County Counseling Center produces this guide as an accommodation for students. Every effort is made to maintain accurate information; however, this information is subject to frequent change. Students should contact the four-year school to keep informed of changes, as final responsibility for verifying information rests with the student.

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