
TEACHING - ASSOCIATE OF ARTS IN TEACHING (AAT)

PROGRAM OVERVIEW

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The Associate of Arts in Teaching (AAT) program has been specifically designed for students who are majoring in elementary education (grades 1-6). The curriculum has been designed to provide the elementary education major a seamless, which is without loss of credit, transition to a Maryland four-year education program. The curriculum has been based on a coordination of Council for the Accreditation of Education Preparation (CAEP) standards, cooperation with faculty from Maryland four-year institutions and modeling of the Maryland Higher Education Commission approved Associate of Arts curriculum from other Maryland two-year colleges. Students transferring to four-year colleges or universities outside Maryland should work closely with their academic advisor to assess if the AAT Program or the Elementary Education Transfer Program better fulfills their needs. Education majors please note: most or substantially all four-year receiving institutions require that education majors receive a grade of "C" or better in all education classes that are to be considered for transfer of college credits. Due to the nature and extent of the specific requirements for teacher certification at all four-year institutions, it is essential that every elementary education major work in close cooperation with the academic advisor to plan the most appropriate and accurate program.

Successful completion of this program qualifies the student to apply for an Associate of Arts in Teaching.

Program Exit Requirements:

1. Successful presentation of a portfolio that meets standards.
2. Passing score/scores on the Praxis I/CORE Pre-Professional Skills Test (PPST) as established by the State of Maryland.
3. A minimum GPA of 2.75.

Please note that students who are majoring in education need to complete the fingerprint and criminal background clearance process to be eligible to participate in field experiences and/or course assignments in the local public school systems.

COURSE REQUIREMENTS

REQUIRED EDUCATION COURSES

EDUC-100	Career Analysis in Education
EDUC-190	Preparation for the Pre-Professional Sequence
EDUC-191	Education Assistantship
EDUC-195	Introduction to Emergent Literacy Skills
EDUC-201	Foundations of Education, Philosophy, and Practice
EDUC-204	Psychology of Learning and Teaching (Psychology 204)
EDUC-216	Mathematics for Teacher Education I (Mathematics 216)
EDUC-217	Mathematics for Teacher Education II (Mathematics 217)
EDUC-295	Processes and Acquisition of Reading
EDUC-296	Special and Multicultural Education

REQUIRED GENERAL COURSES

ART-110	Visual Imagery
BIO-131 or Biological Laboratory Science Elective	Inquiries Into Biology or Biological Laboratory Science Elective
ENG-101	English Composition I
ENG-103	Introduction to Literature
GEOG-102	Cultural Geography
HIST-105	Contemporary World History
MATH-102 or MATH-109	College Algebra or Probability and Statistics
MUS-252	Music and Creative Interaction for the Elementary Teacher
PHED-154	Integrated Health and Physical Education
PHYS-130 or non-Biological Laboratory Science Elective	Inquiries in Physical Science I or non-Biological Laboratory Science Elective
PHYS-132	Inquiries in Physical Science II
PSYC-207	Child Psychology
SPCH-101	Speech Communication

PROGRAM PATH

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PREPARATION FOR TRANSFER

FIRST SEMESTER

	<u>Credit Hours</u>
Education 100 (Career Analysis in Education)	1
English 101 (English Composition I)	3
Geography 102 (Cultural Geography)	3
Mathematics 102 or 109 (College Algebra or Probability and Statistics)	3
Physical Education 154 (Integrated Health and Physical Education)	3
Physics 130	4
(Inquiries in Physical Science I) or non-Biology Laboratory Science	
Total:	17

SECOND SEMESTER

Education 190 (Preparation for the Pre-Professional Sequence) or Elective ¹	1
Education 195 (Introduction to Emergent Literacy Skills)	2
Education 201 (Foundations of Education, Philosophy, and Practice)	3
Education 217 (Mathematics for Teacher Education II)	3
English 103 (Introduction to Literature)	3
Physics 132 (Inquiries in Physical Science II)	4
Total:	16

THIRD SEMESTER

Art 110 (Visual Imagery)	3
Biological Science 131 (Inquiries into Biology) or Biology Laboratory Science	4
Education 191 (Education Assistantship)	1
Education 216 (Mathematics for Teacher Education I)	3
Education 295 (Process and Acquisition of Reading)	3
Psychology 207 (Child Psychology)	3
Total:	17

FOURTH SEMESTER

Education 191 (Education Assistantship)	1
Education 204 (Psychology of Learning and Teaching)	3
Education 191 (Education Assistantship)	1
Education 296 (Special and Multicultural Education)	3
History 105 (The World in the Twentieth Century) or History Elective	3
Music 252 (Music and Creative Interaction for the Elementary Teacher)	3
Speech 101 (Speech Communication)	3
Total:	17
Total Credit Hours:	67

¹ Education 190 may be waived and a one-credit elective substituted only if a student has successively completed the Praxis I/CORE or met the SAT/ACT scores set by MSDE for Praxis I or CORE waiver.

NOTE: All courses specifically identified by course number are graduation requirements for this program.