

Associate of Arts Oregon Transfer in Elementary Education (AAOT-ELEMED)

Overview

The Associate of Arts Oregon Transfer-Elementary Education (AAOT-ELEMED) degree is designed for students planning to transfer credits to an Oregon public university and seek entry into that institution's education program. Students completing the AAOT-ELEMED will have met the lower-division General Education requirements of an Oregon public university's baccalaureate degree program. Students transferring will have junior status for registration purposes.

Admission to the education program of an Oregon public university is not guaranteed upon completion of the AAOT-ELEMED degree. Some institutions have specific requirements for admission to their Business program. Examples include: a higher minimum GPA requirement, a requirement that specific courses within the AAOT-ELEMED be taken for a letter grade (meaning that courses taken P/NP will not be accepted), or additional coursework. It is strongly recommended that students contact the specific Oregon public university's Business program early in the first term of their AAOT-ELEMED course work to be advised of admission requirements.

Academic Requirements

The AAOT-ELEMED is awarded to students who meet the following:

1. [Associate Degree Comprehensive Requirements](#)

General Guidelines

- A student must complete a minimum total of 90 quarter credits to be awarded the AAOT Elem Ed.
- All courses should be aligned with the student's intended program of study and the degree requirements of the baccalaureate institution to which the student plans to transfer. A student is encouraged to work with a student success coach in the selection of courses.
- All Core Transfer Requirements, General Education courses, and Education courses must be a minimum of 3 credits, except for Health/Wellness/Fitness courses, which may be any number of credits. All Elective courses may be any number of credits.
- All courses must be passed with a grade of "C-" or better. Students must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.0 at the time the AAOT Elem Ed is awarded.

Core Transfer Requirements (30-35 credits)

- **Writing (minimum 8 credits):** WR121Z and WR122Z. Students taking three-credit WR121Z and WR122Z courses must take a third Writing course for a minimum of eight Writing credits.
- **Mathematics:** MTH211 (4-5 credits).
- **Arts & Letters (6-8 credits):** ENG104, 105, or 106 (3-4 credits) and *either* Introduction to Drawing (ART131A) or Introduction to Design (ART115 – Basic Design – 2-D) (3-4 credits).
- **Social Sciences (6-8 credits):** HST201, 202, or 203 (3-4 credits) and either World/Cultural Geography (GEO106) or Cultural Anthropology (3-4 credits).
- **Natural Sciences (8-10 credits):** BI101 (4 credits) and an Earth Sciences w/lab (GS106 – 4 credits).

*At least 1 Core Transfer Requirement course must also satisfy Cultural Literacy Outcomes for the AAOT degree (ENG104, HST201, 202, 203)

*If needed for a total of the minimum 30 credits, can be filled with elective credits.

Additional General Education Courses (25-34 credits)

- **Communications:** COMM111Z (3-4 credits).
- **Arts and Letters (3-4 credits):** From approved [AAOT Arts & Letters](#) courses. Recommended: LING210 Introduction to Linguistics (4 credits).
- **Social Sciences (6-8 credits):** PS201 American Government (4 credits) and either PSY201 or PSY202 (4 credits).
- **Science/Math/Computer Science (12-15 credits):** Third lab science from approved [AAOT General Education Courses](#) in biological and/or physical science (GS108 – 4 credits) and MTH212 (4 credits) and MTH213 (4 credits).
- **Health and Wellness (2-3 credits):** HE295 (2 credits), PE295 (1 credit), HE250 (3 credits), HE242 (4 credits)

Required Courses in Education (15-19 credits)

- [ED 216](#) Foundations in Education (3 credits)
- [ED 131](#) Applied Learning Theory (3 credits)
- [ED 251](#) Overview of Exceptional Learners (3 credits)
- [ED 290](#) Education Practicum (3 credits)
- [ED 124](#) Culturally Responsive Practices in Early Childhood Education (3 credits)

Electives

Any college-level course that would bring total credits to 90 quarter hours including up to 12 credits of Career and Technical Education courses, designated by the college as acceptable.

University Specific Prerequisites, Recommendations

Each Oregon public university has different requirements for its Elementary Education program; in some cases, meeting the minimum requirements of the AAOT-ELEMED degree will not fulfill the eligibility requirements for admission to the school's Elementary Education program. Examples of eligibility requirements include: a higher minimum GPA for admission than is required for the AAOT-ELEMED, a requirement that specific courses within the AAOT-ELEMED degree be taken for a letter grade (courses taken P/NP will not be accepted), or additional coursework beyond that included in the AAOT-ELEMED. Students are advised to contact their Oregon public university destination's Elementary Education

program early in the first term of their AAOT-ELEMED course work to be advised of admission and additional course requirements beyond those stipulated above.

AAOT-ELEMED Outcomes

Students who complete this degree should be able to:

- **ARTS & LETTERS:** Interpret and engage in the Arts & Letters, making use of the creative process to enrich the quality of life; and critically analyze values and ethics within a range of human experience and expression to engage more fully in local and global issues.
- **MATHEMATICS:** Use appropriate mathematics to solve problems; and Recognize which mathematical concepts are applicable to a scenario, apply appropriate mathematics and technology in its analysis, and then accurately interpret, validate, and communicate the results.
- **SCIENCE/COMP SCIENCE:** Gather, comprehend, and communicate scientific and technical information in order to explore ideas, models, and solutions and generate further questions; Apply scientific and technical modes of inquiry, individually, and collaboratively, to critically evaluate existing or alternative explanations, solve problems, and make evidence-based decisions in an ethical manner; and Assess the strengths and weaknesses of scientific studies and critically examine the influence of scientific and technical knowledge on human society and the environment.

- **SOCIAL SCIENCE:** Apply analytical skills to social phenomena in order to understand human behavior; and Apply knowledge and experience to foster personal growth and better appreciate the diverse social world in which we live.
- **SPEECH/ORAL:** Engage in ethical communication processes that accomplish goals; Respond to the needs of diverse audiences and contexts; and Build and manage relationships.
- **WRITING:** Read actively, think critically and write purposefully and capable for academic and, in some cases, professional audiences; Locate, evaluate, and ethically utilize information to communicate effectively; and Demonstrate appropriate reasoning in response to complex issues.
- **INFORMATIONAL LITERACY:** (embedded in writing courses) Formulate a problem statement; Determine nature and extent of the information needed to address the problem; Access relevant information he use of information effectively and efficiently; Evaluate information and its source critically; Understand many of the economic, legal and social issues surrounding the use of information
- **EDUCATION:**
 - Apply critical thinking to analyze social issues necessary to support the function of public education.
 - Describe culturally-responsive pedagogy and integration of social justice into a teaching philosophy.
 - Identify the ethics and responsibilities necessary to obtain a professional license in the teaching field and clarify career confirmation.
- **TRANSFER:** Transfer into an upper division Education baccalaureate degree program at an Oregon University System institution participating the Elementary Education Major Transfer Map (MTM) agreement having met all lower division general education requirements and being granted junior standing for both for the Education major and for university registration purposes.

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