

# LSU-A Department of Education

## Elementary Alternative Certification Program: Grades 1-5

### Prerequisite Check List:

- Apply and be accepted to the university. (Contact Admissions: 473-6417)
- Possess a baccalaureate degree from a regionally accredited university (Request that an official copy of your transcript be sent directly to Admissions)
- Have an overall 2.5 GPA on undergraduate course work (Mail/bring a copy of unofficial transcript to Department of Education.)
- Pass PRAXIS I Pre-Professional Skills Test (PPST)\* before entering the program
  - \*NOTE: A student with a Composite ACT score of 22 or better or with a 1030 or better on SAT is exempted from taking PRAXIS I.
  - A student holding a Master's Degree is exempted from taking PRAXIS I.
    - o PPST Reading (Paper-test Code: 10710 or Computer-test Code 5710) passing score of 172
    - o PPST Writing (Paper-test Code: 20710 or Computer-test Code 5720) passing score of 171
    - o PPST Math (Paper-test Code: 10730 or Computer-test Code 5730) passing score of 170
  - \*NOTE: Effective July 2007, acceptable PRAXIS I scores will increase: Reading 174; Writing 173; and Math 172
- Pass PRAXIS II examinations – paper-test only
  - o Content Knowledge (Code 10014)[taken before admissions or during the first semester of study]- passing score 150
  - o (PLT) Principles of Learning and Teaching K – 5 (Code 30522) [taken before admissions to student teaching/internship]- passing score 161
- Complete the Admissions Application for Elementary Alternative Certification Program Grades 1 – 5 (Contact: Sue Cathey 473-6511)
- Complete the Dispositions Self-Rating Scale (Contact: Sue Cathey – Room 109 – Fitness Center)
- Register to take Computer Competency Exam (Contact: Katie Cooley 427-4492...Passing this test with 70% or better, exempts students from taking CIS 1000)
- Complete the Department of Education's entrance interview (Contact Sue Cathey: 473-6506 for appointment)
- Submit 2 letters of recommendation from people who can document your ability to work with students, your work ethic, and dimensions of your personality that make you a strong candidate to become an effective teacher.
- Submit a current resume' that outlines your educational background (high school and university) and work experience

Program Requirements	Semester Hours Required	Course Prefixes & Numbers	Course Titles
Knowledge of the Learner & Learning Environment	12	PSYC 2076 EDCI 3114 EDCI 3200 EDCI 4800	Child Psychology Classroom Management in the Elementary School Methods & Materials in Teaching Elementary Reading Teaching in the Multicultural Classroom ( <i>prerequisite 3126</i> )
Methodology & Teaching	6*	EDCI 3126 EDCI 3400	Materials & Methods I Elementary Science and Social Studies Content, Methods, and Materials for Elementary Mathematics I
Student Teaching/Internship	6	EDCI 4900	Student Teaching/Internship in Elementary Grades
Prescriptive Plan	9	EDCI 2700 EDCI 4100* EDCI 4200*	Characteristics of Exceptional Children Assessing and Guiding Classroom Reading Instruction ( <i>prerequisite 3200</i> ) Reading in the Content Area ( <i>prerequisite 3200</i> )
Additional courses Recommended if Schedule Permits **Technology seminars will be offered to those not taking this course.		EDCI 2900 ** EDCI 3500 EDCI 4300 EDCI 4400	Teaching Computer Literacy in the Elementary and Secondary Schools Methods and Materials in Teaching Elementary Language Arts Assessing and Guiding Classroom mathematics Instruction Content, Methods, and Materials for elementary Mathematics II

### TO OBTAIN CERTIFICATION

- Meet all PRAXIS requirements
- Complete all Elementary Alternative Certification course work with a minimum 2.5 GPA
- Complete 6 Service Hours

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