Elementary Education
Associate in Arts & Sciences – Direct Transfer (DTA)

GENERAL INFORMATION
You may pursue a major in Elementary Education by following this Associate in Arts and Sciences - DTA transfer degree guide in Elementary Education. With this degree, you will have completed most or all of the lower division, general education requirements typically required within a bachelor’s degree.

Since every college or university may have different requirements for entering and completing a teacher certification program, you are advised to pay special attention to the recommendations in this guide, and to contact advisors at EvCC and at the intended university.

CAREER OPTIONS
A background in elementary education opens many doors to employment opportunities. Obvious places for those with a degree in elementary education are teaching positions in both public and private schools. Other options involve specialties such as guidance counseling, school social work, library science, and administration. Check with the Counseling and Student Success, Third Floor, Parks, for additional information on career options and considerations. You can also find information from the Occupational Outlook Handbook at:

SUGGESTED PREPARATION
Participate in volunteer programs such as Junior Achievement and related activities that involve working as a group leader, tutor, teaching assistant or mentor. Gain experience in preparation of bulletin boards, charts, posters, and in computer applications and communication technologies. In addition, join EvCC’s Teachers of Tomorrow (TOT) Club. It provides education students with information regarding a teaching career. You might even earn service learning credit sharing ideas and planning TOT activities. Contact Dr. Ken White, TOT adviser, at kwhite@everettcc.edu.

RECOMMENDED COURSES
Inside this guide is a description of some of the requirements for elementary education teacher certification programs at several universities. You will also find an outline of the general requirements of the Associate in Arts and Sciences - DTA, with recommendations for specific courses.

PROGRAM ADVISOR
Contact the following advisor because requirements for teacher certification programs may change prior to graduation. An advising session is often necessary in order to keep informed of these changes.

➢ Dr. Ken White, Gray Wolf Hall 349, 425-388-9498, kwhite@everettcc.edu
➢ Or call 425-388-9387

GETTING STARTED AT EVCC
Our Enrollment Services Office provides general information about application, advising, orientation and registration for new and continuing students. New degree-seeking students are required to meet with an advisor prior to registering for first quarter classes. Contact:

➢ Enrollment Services, Parks 201, 425-388-9219, admissions@everettcc.edu
➢ Advising Center, Rainier Hall Room 108, 425-388-9339, advising@everettcc.edu

In addition you should pay special attention to successfully completing several courses that provide preparation for the teacher education courses and help you become a good candidate for admission to a teacher education program. For example:

- CMST 223 – Public Speaking for Educators
- EDUC& 115D – Child Development
- EDUC& 130 – Guiding Behavior
- EDUC& 150D – Child, Family & Community
- EDUC 190 – Education Controversies
- EDUC&202 – Introduction to Education (K-12)
- EDUC&203 – Exceptional Child
- EDUC 210 – Education Philosophies
- EDUC 250, 251 & 252 – Education in Action (observation)
- EDUC 256 – Education in Action and Seminar
- EDUC 270 – Education Portfolio

RELATED PROGRAMS
Education Paraprofessional www.everettcc.edu/cguides

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UNIVERSITY INFORMATION
Consult the School of Education at the institution to which you wish to transfer for current information. Some of the programs are now requiring students to complete specific requirements, such as courses and competency tests, and one or more quarters in residence before admission to the School of Education. Listed below are admission and/or graduation requirements for several universities. Please be aware that these may have changed, or may change by the time you apply to the university. It is critically important that you have clear and constant communication with advisors at your intended university.

Please note: Every college and university requires that you pass all portions of the WEST-B examination before your application to a college of education is accepted. Go to http://www.west.nesinc.com

- Access WEST-B Basic Skill Test Prep Course
- Register for the WEST-B and complete with scores forwarded to WWU by March 1
- Apply for WEST-B Voucher

Western Washington University
1. Completion of at least 45 graded credits.
2. Grade point average, overall or last 45 credits, of 2.75 or higher.
3. ENGL& 101 or 102 with a grade of B or better.
4. Submit application with letters of recommendation by March 1.
5. Applicants must write an essay. (For details, visit www.wce.wwu.edu/Depts/ELED/Admiss.shtml.)

Note: At WWU, education majors must take MATH 381. The prerequisite to MATH 381 can be met in one of the following ways:

- Demonstrate intermediate algebra proficiency by completing MATH 091/092 or MATH 098 or MATH 099 or MATH &107 or MATH 138 or a pre-calculus course with a grade of C or higher at EvCC within the last 4 years;
- Complete WWU's MATH 112 with a grade of C or higher; OR
- Take the Intermediate Math Placement Test and score 150 or higher (visit www.wwu.edu/depts/assess/lt/mathplace.htm for more info).
- NOTE: WWU’s Elementary Education program REQUIRES that students have on their transcripts one of the following courses with a C or better: Intermediate Algebra, College Algebra, Pre-Calculus or Calculus.

Central Washington University
1. A 3.0 grade point average for the last 45 graded quarter credits (the total may exceed 45 if an entire quarter is needed to achieve the minimum 45). Acceptance can be granted to individuals with a 2.8 GPA, with the provision those individuals meet the 3.0 GPA prior to enrolling in Block II courses and making application for student teaching and certification.
2. Completed Application for Admission to Teacher Education.
3. Completed Character and Fitness Supplement.
4. Signed Fingerprinting/Certification Requirements form.
5. Minimum score of 24 on each of two Recommendation Forms completed by teachers, employers, or professors (one must be from a teacher at the grade school, high school, or college level). Forms cannot be completed by a relative.
6. Complete the following prerequisite courses: ENGL&101 and 102, and MATH& 144 or 151 or 152 or 153
7. A direct transfer agreement Associate Degree.

University of Washington - Bothell
The teacher education program at UW-Bothell & Seattle is at the master’s degree level. Transfer students intending to earn teacher certification at UW must complete a baccalaureate degree first. This can be accomplished by earning the DTA at EvCC, and transferring to UW toward a major that is appropriate to the type of teaching certificate that is desired.

1. Document a minimum of 60 hours of work with elementary children within the past two years. At least 30 of these hours must be in the public school classroom.
2. GPA of 3.0 or higher in the last 90 credits.
3. Elementary education majors need the following courses with a minimum grade of 2.0:
   - ENGL& 101
   - ENGL 183D
   - CMST 223 or CMST& 220
- US History; Geography; Life & Physical Sciences; Fine Arts; & two Math courses (probability, statistics, number theory, algebra & geometry).

Washington State University
1. 80 hours of observation with children or youth (EDUC 250 and 256).
2. 2.50 or higher GPA overall
3. At least 30 semester hours of course work completed.
4. Complete ENGL& 101 or ENGL& 102 with a “C” or better
Associate in Arts and Sciences - DTA

This checklist is targeted at transfer students with an interest in pursuing an Elementary Education focused degree program at a four-year institution. It will be submitted with a diploma application to the Enrollment Services Office the quarter before completion. Please refer to curriculum guide titled “Associate in Arts and Sciences – DTA” for approved courses for the various distribution requirements. To determine courses for your university transfer plans, please consult page 2 of this guide. Foreign language is not required in the DTA degree, but some universities require two or three quarters of foreign language for admission or graduation. Spanish is recommended for elementary education students. Although this checklist is recommended, students may choose to complete the Associate in Arts and Sciences – DTA guide.

Student Name: _____________________________ Advisor Signature: __________________ Date: ________

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| **BASIC COMMUNICATIONS SKILLS:** (10 credits) One course needs a minimum grade of B-.
| ENGL& 101     | English Composition I               | 5       |                   |       |
| ENGL& 102     | Composition II                      | 5       |                   |       |
| **BASIC QUANTITATIVE SKILLS:** (5 credits) Recommend: MATH& 107 or MATH 138.
| **HUMANITIES** * (15 credits) Recommend: ENGL 183D; SPAN& 121; ART 124D; MUSC 110D; HIST 103D, &146, 170D or &214.
| CMST 223      | Public Speaking for Educators       | 5       |                   |       |
| **SOCIAL SCIENCE** * (15 credits) Recommend: PSYC& 100; SOC& 101; GEOG 101; ANTH& 206D; HIST 103D, &146, 170D or &214.
| EDUC& 202     | Introduction to Education           | 5       |                   |       |
| **NATURAL SCIENCE** * (15 credits) ONE LAB REQUIRED. Recommend: NAT S 107 (suggested by WWU); BIOL 107; GEOL 107; NUTR& 101; ENVS& 101 Lab:
| EDUC 250 or 251 or 252 | Education in Action | 3       |                   |       |
| EDUC 256      | Education in Action Seminar         | 2       |                   |       |
| EDUC 250 or 251 or 252 | Education in Action | 3       |                   |       |
| **ELECTIVE B LIST** (15 credits maximum) Recommend: EDUC &130, &150D, 190, 210.
| COLL 101      | College Success                     | 2       |                   |       |
| EDUC 270      | Education Portfolio                 | 2       |                   |       |
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| **EDUC 270**  | Education Portfolio                 | 2       |                   |       |

Total: Minimum 90 credits required; minimum 2.0 GPA

* Courses in the Humanities, Social Science and Natural Science must be selected from three different disciplines.
THE FOLLOWING WEBSITES CONTAIN APPLICATION DEADLINES AND OTHER USEFUL INFORMATION:

**Colleges and Universities**
- Central Washington University: [www.cwu.edu/~ceps/](http://www.cwu.edu/~ceps/)
- Eastern Washington University: [www.ewu.edu/cale/programs/education/education-program-options/elementary](http://www.ewu.edu/cale/programs/education/education-program-options/elementary)
- Seattle Pacific University: [http://spu.edu/academics/school-of-education](http://spu.edu/academics/school-of-education)
- Seattle University: [www.seattleu.edu/education/](http://www.seattleu.edu/education/)
- The Evergreen State College: [www.evergreen.edu/mit/](http://www.evergreen.edu/mit/)
- University of Washington - Seattle: [https://education.uw.edu/](https://education.uw.edu/)
- University of Washington – Bothell: [www.uwb.edu/education/](http://www.uwb.edu/education/)
- Washington State University: [https://education.wsu.edu/](https://education.wsu.edu/)
- Western Washington University: [https://wce.wwu.edu/](http://www.wwu.edu/)

**Other Sites**
- American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education: [www.aacte.org/](http://www.aacte.org/)
- Washington Educator Skills Test – Basic: [www.west.nesinc.com/](http://www.west.nesinc.com/)

[Sites current as of March 2017]

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**About Everett Community College**

Improve your personal skills, discover new ideas, prepare for work and/or university transfer, and improve your career prospects through programs at EvCC.

Each term, about 9,900 students enroll in a wide variety of courses. Day, evening, distance, and workplace-based options are available. Students may enroll on a full-time or part-time basis. EvCC offers two-year associate degrees, short-term certificates, endorsements and industry certifications.

Student life can be active. Currently, EvCC offers athletic programs in basketball, baseball, and soccer, to name a few.

Student clubs range from Phi Theta Kappa (the Honor Society) to the First Nations Club to the International Club to the German Club, and Teachers of Tomorrow (TOT). Our Student Government and Programs Board are always on the go with activities that make college life fun. There are also opportunities to develop leadership skills.

Student services are designed to support students in their studies, remove barriers, and enrich student life. Financial aid services offer grant and loan opportunities, as well as scholarships. Counseling and Student Success has a rich array of information and personal assistance for students. The Diversity and Equity Center supports student activities and College programs that promote growth and opportunity toward cultural understanding.

Former EvCC students have found employment in business and industry, in community service agencies, in schools, and in other locales. Our transfer students are known to do very well at the UW, WWU and other schools.