

Elementary Education Major
PK-3, 3-6 grade bands
With Early Childhood emphasis
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This advising sheet lays out a basic 4-year plan with all of the components necessary to graduate and become certified in Elementary Education (PK-3, 3-6). A candidate's actual 4-year plan should be worked out with an education advisor. The 4-year plan includes both Hope College's liberal arts study (Anchor Plan) as well as the Elementary Education major.

The Anchor Plan is required for all Hope College students and represents the general education liberal arts program. The following chart explains these requirements.

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| First Year Seminar | One IDS 100 -3 credits | FYS |
| Expository Writing | ENGL 113 -3 credits | EW |
| Health Dynamics | KIN 140 -2 credits | HD |

Math and Natural Sciences

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The professional sequence for all elementary education majors is listed below and is separated by level. Level 1 courses are designed to introduce candidates to the field of education. Once completed, candidates must choose their primary grade band, either PK-3 or 3-6. The other grade band becomes their secondary grade band. Level 2 courses are designed to have candidates learn the art of teaching. During Level 2 coursework, candidates must have 50 hours of clinical experience in their secondary grade band. Level 3 courses are taken during the student teaching semester and placement should be in a candidate's primary grade band.

| Course # | Course Title | Credits |
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| EDUC 200/1 | Diversity Equity and Inclusion/Clinical Experience | 3+1 |
| EDUC 225/6 | The Exceptional Child and Adolescent/Clinical Experience | 3+1 |
| EDUC 270 | Foundations of Education | 3 |
| EDUC 271 | Intro to Elementary Education | 3 |
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