

**Requirements for the Elementary Education Licensure:**

Portland State University Courses	Quarter Credits	PCC Course Equivalents	Quarter Credits
Psy 311 Human Development	4	PSY 215 Human Development	4
Mth 211, 212, & 213 Foundations of Elem Math	8	MTH 211, 212, & 213 Foundations of Elem. Math I, II, & III	12
Lib 428 Children's Literature	3	ED 112 Intro to Children's Literature	3
Art 312 Art in the Elementary School	3	No PCC Equivalent	-
Mus 381 Music Fundamentals	4	No PCC equivalent	-

**Additional Recommendations:**

**This is a graduate program. A bachelor degree is required for application to this program.** Students who don't have a degree yet normally select their major from within the college of liberal arts and sciences. The following list represents the breadth of subjects which are important for teaching. *While students are not necessarily expected to take all these courses*, a solid foundation in these areas is essential teacher preparation. Students with good preparation in mathematics and in the sciences are highly competitive in the admission process. **Contact Karen DeVoll, Advisor, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences 503-725-3822 or [www.pdx.edu/clas](http://www.pdx.edu/clas) for additional information**

PCC Courses

BI 101, 102, 103	Intro. to General Biology
EC 200	Principles of Economics: Intro, Inst & Phil
PS 201	US Government: Foundation/Principles
PSY 201	General Psychology
G 201, 202, 203	Geology
HST 201, 202, 203	U.S. History
SOC 204	General Sociology: Sociology in Everyday Life
Literature (ENG)	9 credits
GEO 105, 106, 107, 210	(two courses)
WS 101	Women's Studies
WR 121 & 122	English Composition

Portland State also has a **dual licensure in Elementary and Special Education**. The admission deadline is April 1<sup>st</sup> of odd-numbered years. Contact Kris Smith 503-725-4632 in the Special Education Admissions Office.

PSU has a **minor in Elementary Education**, contact Karen DeVoll, Advisor, College of Liberal Arts and Sciences 503-725-3822 for additional information. In addition to the required courses listed above, the minor includes PSU's PHE 250 Our Community, Our Health. The PCC course equivalent to PHE 250 is: HE 251 Community/Public Health Issues

*PCC endeavors to create accurate transfer guides for students; however, requirements may change without notice. Students are responsible for working with PCC advisors and their transfer institution to ensure that their academic plan will meet requirements and timelines.*

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## College of Liberal Arts and Sciences Advising Center

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**The Graduate Teacher Education Program (GTEP)** is designed for individuals who have completed a bachelor's degree from an accredited college. Students who don't have a degree yet normally select their major from within the college of liberal arts and sciences. Once the bachelor's degree is completed one can obtain their Initial Teaching License through completion of the School of Education's 12-month graduate-level professional training program. Successful completion of the GTEP qualifies an individual to teach in two of the following authorization areas: **Early Childhood**, age 3 to grade 4, and **Elementary**, grade 3 to grade 8; or **Elementary**, grade 3 to grade 8, and **Middle School**, grade 5 to grade 10.

### To be considered for admission to the GTEP, students must:

- Have at least a 3.0 GPA. The GPA can be considered in three ways: the entire undergraduate program, the upper-division course work, or the completion of 12 credits of graduate level courses that are completed prior to application (with a 3.0 or better in those courses).

*If the GPA is below 3.0, applicants may still be admitted into the program if the rest of their application is especially strong. When the GPA is below 2.75, applicants are not eligible for regular admission to graduate studies in the university. In very rare circumstances, applicants with unusually strong backgrounds may be admitted conditionally.*

- Complete the PSU Graduate School of Education Application **and** the GTEP Application including the \$50.00 application fee (good for 1 year).
- Provide 3 letters of recommendation from persons who have seen you work with children. Experience in an elementary classroom is highly recommended. Forms are available on the GTEP web site.
- 2-page statement of your professional goals.
- 2 sets of official transcripts from every college you have attended.
- A current resume reflecting your work with young people, include volunteer experience.
- Photocopies of passing scores on either the CBEST (California Basic Educational Skills Test) **or** on the Praxis I: Pre-Professional Skills Test **and** passing scores on the ORELA (Oregon Educators Licensure Assessments) Multiple Subjects Examination, [www.orela.nesinc.com](http://www.orela.nesinc.com). If you are seeking Middle School authorization, passing scores on the appropriate Praxis II: Subject exam (acceptable scores vary depending on subject).
- Complete the following pre-requisite courses:
  - Art 312** - Art in the Elementary School
  - Lib 428** – Children's Literature
  - Mth 211, 212, & 213** - Foundations of Elementary Math
  - Mus 381** - Music Fundamentals
  - Psy 311** - Human Development
  - CI 432** - Computer Applications for the Classroom (*recommended, not required*)
  - Ed 420** - Introduction to Education (*not required, but highly recommended*)

The application deadline is **December 1, 2009**

### PCC DEGREE/TRANSFER INFORMATION:

**Associate of Arts/Oregon Transfer (AAOT) Degree** – The courses listed above may be included in the AAOT degree.

**Associate of Science (AS) Degree** – The courses listed above may be included in the AS degree.

**Transfer without a PCC Degree** – Students may elect to earn credits and transfer to a four-year institution without earning a PCC degree. Please meet with an Academic Advisor for an individualized plan of study.