

Education Majors

Certification Tracks

- Early Childhood Education Major (birth – grade 3)
- Elementary Education Major (grades 1-6)
- Health Education Major (grades k-12)
- Middle School Education Major (grades 5-9)
Concentrations: English Language Arts, Mathematics, Science, Social Sciences
- Physical Education Major (grades k-12)
- Secondary School Education Major (grades 9-12)
Concentrations: Biology, Business, Chemistry, English Language Arts, Mathematics, Social Sciences
- Spanish Education Major (grades k-12)

Non-Certification Tracks

- Education Curriculum Studies Major
- Education Minor

The Westminster College Teacher Education Program is designed so that majors complete a course of study approved by the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE), which will lead to recommendation for certification in the chosen major and concentration areas. Students who prepare for a teaching career must meet professional education requirements specified by DESE, as well as the program requirements of Westminster College. Final certification approval is determined by DESE and not by Westminster College. Academic certification requirements, set by DESE, consist of:

- the completion of degree program and submission of official transcript;
- a 3.0 or higher GPA in education coursework and content courses, if applicable;
- passing the appropriate State required content assessment (Praxis);
- and a summative combined student teaching evaluation score of 42 or higher.

All students seeking a certification must first be accepted into the Teacher Education Program (TEP) in order to complete their degree. To be admitted into TEP students must:

- declare their major in an education certification track;
- obtain a 3.0 or higher GPA in education coursework and content courses, if applicable;
- receive positive student disposition scores from education faculty members; and

- successfully participate in an interview process.

Once admitted to the TEP, students must remain in good standing in order to progress through the program.

All students seeking a certification must student teach in their last semester. To be admitted into a student teaching placement student must: obtain a 3.0 GPA in education coursework and in content area, if applicable;

- attempted the appropriate state required content assessment (Praxis);
- present proof of liability insurance;
- clear the Family Care Safety Registry (FCSR) background check;
- obtain a valid Missouri substitute teaching certificate;
- submit a Westminster College General Liability Release;
- complete all certification specific coursework except for EDU 490 and student teaching;
- submitted a student teaching application.

The Education Department faculty at Westminster College reserve final judgment on admission to student teaching and assignment to a placement.

EDUCATION MAJORS

Physical Education: K-12

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Please refer to the Education Major Information page of the Campus Catalog for complete Education major information.

ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS SUMMARY SHEET

ACADEMIC YEAR 2024-2025

Major: Physical Education K-12

Student's Last Name First Name Middle Initial

Advisor Date Major Declared

Course Code	Title	Hours	Semester	Grade
HES 215				
EDU 101	Introduction to Teaching	1		
EDU 221	Education Psychology	3		
EDU 230	Child and Adolescent Growth & Development	3		
EDU 231	Education of Exceptional Individuals	3		
EDU 290	Foundations of Education	3		
EDU 291	Education Practicum I	2		
EDU 385	Diversity in Education	3		
EDU 392	Reading and Writing in Content Area	3		
EDU 393	Education Practicum II	2		
EDU 453	Classroom Organization & Management	3		
EDU 490	Education Seminar	3		
<i>One of the following courses</i>				
EDU 492	Student Teaching 1st – 5th	12		
EDU 495	Student Teaching 5th – 9th	12		
EDU 497	Student Teaching 9th - 12th	12		
Methods of Teaching Courses				
HES/EDU 206	Elementary Methods of PE	3		
HES/EDU 434	Middle School/Secondary PE Methods Technology Integration in Methods Courses	3		
Physical Education Content Area				
NSC 210	Anatomy and Physiology I	4		
HES 104	First Aid/CPR	1		
HES 204	Fitness and Wellness Concepts	3		
HES/EDU 207	Health, Nutrition & Safety	3		

Course Code	Title	Hours	Semester	Grade
HES 215	Motor Learning	2		
HES 220	Social Science in Sport	2		
HES 231	Sports Psychology	3		
HES 251	Introduction to Nutrition	3		
HES 309	History and Philosophy of PE	2		
HES 321	Kinesiology	3		
HES 340	Exercise Physiology	3		
HES 350	Adapted Physical Education	3		
HES 405	Measurement & Evaluation in PE	2		
PED Axx	Fitness Activity (1 Course) Options: A10 Weight Training, A12 Walk/Jog, A87 Aquatic Fitness	1		
PED Axx	Lifetime Activities and Dance (3 Activity Courses) Options: A9 Bowling, A11 Recreational Swimming, A15 Yoga, A16 Aerobics	3		
PED Axx	Team and Individual Sports (3 Activity Courses) Options: A19 Golf, A21 Tumbling, A37 Tennis, A44 Team Sports, A45 Individual Sports	3		
PED 208	Creative Movement, Games & Rhythm	3		
Total Hours For Major		91		

If any substitutions or waivers of requirements are allowed, please list below and initial.

Advisor Signature

Department Chair Signature