

# **ELEMENTARY EDUCATION**

BACHELOR OF ARTS (BA)

#### **PROGRAM OVERVIEW**

Designed to align with the rigorous standards set forth by the Council for the Accreditation of Educator Preparation (CAEP), the B.A. in Elementary Education at Mid-America Christian University focuses on traditional theory, fundamental coursework and contemporary teaching methods so you may gain comprehensive knowledge blended with real-world classroom experience and biblical principles to positively teach and guide children through the all-important elementary years.

You will be equipped to identify and address each child's individual needs, seek licensure in elementary education, and ultimately become an effective teacher in the classroom, whether in a public or private school setting. In addition to covering the traditional course subjects of math, social studies and English, to name a few, the program also includes: child/adolescent and educational psychology, instructional technology and instructional strategies.

Employees at Oklahoma schools receive a 10% tuition discount on their degree program!

### **PROGRAM OUTCOMES**

In our regionally-accredited Elementary Education program, you'll learn strategies proven to help children from 1st to 8th grade build confidence and excel in the diverse classroom environment of today. You'll also learn how to build relationships with parents and family members, how to integrate technology in the classroom, and psychological theory as it relates to children and adolescents. Through student teaching opportunities, you'll obtain firsthand experience in the school setting through observing and teaching at an accredited school over the course of 14 weeks.



#### **PROGRAM COSTS**

Courses in MACU's Elementary Education program cost \$435/credit hour.

#### CAREER OUTLOOK

Employment of kindergarten and elementary school teachers is projected to grow 7 percent from 2020 to 2030.

The median annual wage for kindergarten and elementary school teachers in Oklahoma was \$54,804 in April 2022, a 21% increase since 2017, according to the Oklahoma State School Boards Association (OSSBA).

#### **ACCREDITATION**

MACU is accredited through the Higher Learning Commission (HLC) of the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools (NCA). The B.A. in Elementary Education is state-accredited through the Oklahoma Office of Educational Quality and Accountability (OEQA).



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# **UNIVERSITY CORE (46 hrs.)**

Specific courses within the University Core are listed in the University catalog.

Bible/Theology (12 hrs.)
Communication (9 hrs.)
U.S. History and Government (6 hrs.)
Science (6 hrs. plus 1 hr. of lab)
Math (3 hrs.)
Social Sciences (3 hrs.)
Humanities (6 hrs.)

#### **Additional General Education (28 hrs.)**

The following are additional general education in addition to the University Core required to meet the 4 by 12 general education requirement for teacher education programs:

English/Literature/Advanced Communication (3 hrs.)

Science (5 hrs.)
Math (9 hrs.)
History/Citizenship/

History/Citizenship/Cultural Studies (3 hrs.) Foreign Language (8 hrs.)

# **MAJOR REQUIREMENTS (42 hrs.)**

Required Before Elementary/Professional Education Courses (9 hrs.)

EDUC 2101 MACU Teacher Education Orientation
EDUC 2102 Educational Foundations

**EDUC 4203** Instructional Strategies, Mgmt., and Assessment I

**EDUC** 4213 Instructional Strategies, Mgmt., and Assessment II

#### **Elementary Education Major (28 hrs.)**

**ECED 3223** Literacy Methods for Early Childhood **EDEL 3203** Methods of Reading in Intermediate Grades

**EDEL 3303** Methods of Elementary Science **EDEL 3503** Methods of Elementary Music and Art Integration

**EDEL 4304** Diagnostic and Prescriptive Reading with Reading Practicum

**EDEL 4503** Methods of Elementary Language Arts

**EDEL 4603** Methods of Elementary Social Studies **EDEL 4803** Methods of Elementary Math

EDEL 3403 Children's Literature

#### **Professional Education (21 hrs.)**

EDUC 3103 Educational Psychology

EDUC 3233 Probability and Statistics for Teachers

EDUC 3303 Development Across the Life Span

**EDUC 4223** Students with Exceptionalities

# **TOTAL REQUIRED HOURS: 132**

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# **CHRISTIAN**

Not just in our name, it's who we are

#### **AFFORDABLE**

With federal financial aid and payment plans, we make it possible

#### **PRACTICAL**

Earn college credit for your work and prior learning experiences. Plus, apply what you learned in class at work the next day

#### **CONVENIENT**

Attend one class every five weeks and choose 100% online or one night on ground a week

#### **ACCREDITED**

Regional accreditation means we are transfer friendly

#### **PERSONAL**

Our staff and faculty know who you are and where you want to go