

# LIBERAL STUDIES: ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

## Associate in Arts

### Transfer Preparation\* (Major Code: 01800)

Designed to prepare students for transfer into a liberal studies program at a four-year university. This degree focuses on requirements for SDSU's Liberal Studies program. The required courses in art, child development, communication, composition, education, exercise science, history, literature, mathematics, music, and the sciences offer students a breadth of study across disciplines. In this integrated course of study, students learn to think critically, communicate clearly and effectively, and understand the underlying connections among different subjects.

## Program Student Learning Outcome

- Assess the personality traits necessary to become a successful teacher and evaluate whether teaching is an appropriate career.

Code	Title	Units
<b>LANGUAGE AND LITERATURE</b>		
ENGL/ED 200	TEACHING AS A PROFESSION	3
Three units selected from the following: 3		
COMM 103	ORAL COMMUNICATION	
COMM 104	PUBLIC SPEAKING	
Complete the following course: 4		
ENGL 115	COLLEGE COMPOSITION: READING AND WRITING ANALYTICALLY	
or ENGL 115H	HONORS COLLEGE COMPOSITION: READING AND WRITING ANALYTICALLY	
or ESL 115A	COLLEGE COMPOSITION FOR MULTILINGUAL STUDENTS	
Three units selected from the following: 3		
ENGL 116	CRITICAL THINKING AND ARGUMENT	
PHIL 103	LOGIC AND CRITICAL THINKING	
COMM 160	ARGUMENTATION AND DEBATE <sup>++</sup>	
Three units selected from the following: 3		
ENGL 220	INTRODUCTION TO LITERATURE	
ENGL 230	WORLD LITERATURE I	
ENGL 231	WORLD LITERATURE II	
ENGL 270	MULTICULTURAL LITERATURE <sup>++</sup>	
<b>HISTORY AND SOCIAL SCIENCE</b>		
Three units selected from the following: 3		
HIST 110	AFRICAN-AMERICAN HISTORY I	
AFRO 110	AFRICAN-AMERICAN HISTORY I	
HIST 141	MEXICAN-AMERICAN HISTORY I	
MAS 141	MEXICAN-AMERICAN HISTORY I	
HIST 100	AMERICAN CIVILIZATION I	
Three units selected from the following: 3		
HIST 111	AFRICAN-AMERICAN HISTORY II	
AFRO 111	AFRICAN-AMERICAN HISTORY II	
HIST 142	MEXICAN-AMERICAN HISTORY II	
MAS 142	MEXICAN-AMERICAN HISTORY II	
HIST 101	AMERICAN CIVILIZATION II	

PS 102	INTRODUCTION TO AMERICAN GOVERNMENT AND POLITICS <sup>**</sup>	
Complete the following course:		3
HIST 106	WORLD HISTORY I	
Complete the following course:		3
GEOG 106	WORLD REGIONAL GEOGRAPHY	
<b>MATHEMATICS</b>		
Complete the following courses:		9
MATH 110	MATHEMATICS FOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TEACHERS I	
MATH 111	MATHEMATICS FOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL TEACHERS II	
MATH 112	CHILDREN'S MATHEMATICAL THINKING	
<b>LIFE SCIENCE</b>		
Complete the following courses:		4
BIOL 100	PRINCIPLES OF BIOLOGY	
BIOL 101	PRINCIPLES OF BIOLOGY LABORATORY	
<b>PHYSICAL SCIENCES</b>		
Complete the following courses:		6
GEOL 104	INTRODUCTION TO EARTH SCIENCE	
PHS 101	INTRODUCTION TO THE PHYSICAL SCIENCES	
<b>VISUAL AND PERFORMING ARTS</b>		
Three units selected from the following:		3
TA 101	INTRODUCTION TO THE THEATRE	
TA 100	SURVEY OF DRAMA <sup>++</sup>	
Complete the following course:		3
MUS 103	MUSICIANSHIP FOR GENERAL ELEMENTARY TEACHERS <sup>++</sup>	
<b>EXERCISE SCIENCE AND HEALTH</b>		
Complete the following courses:		3-5
ES/T 200	PHYSICAL EDUCATION FOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL	
HLTH 101	PRINCIPLES OF HEALTHFUL LIVING	
or HLTH 280	HEALTH EDUCATION FOR TEACHERS	
<b>VALUES, ETHICS AND INDIVIDUAL PERSPECTIVE</b>		
Three units selected from the following:		3
PHIL 106	WORLD RELIGIONS	
PHIL 120	ETHICS: THEORY AND PRACTICE	
PHIL 101	INTRODUCTION TO PHILOSOPHY	
Complete the following course:		3
CD 170	PRINCIPLES OF CHILD DEVELOPMENT	
<b>Total Units</b>		<b>62-64</b>

\* Students planning to transfer to a four-year college or university should complete courses specific to the transfer institution of choice. University requirements vary from institution to institution and are subject to change. Therefore, it is important to verify transfer major preparation and general education requirements through consultation with a counselor in either the Counseling Center or Career and Transfer Connections. See catalog Transfer Courses Information (<http://catalog.swccd.edu/student-success-support-program/student-services-and-college-services/other-services/transfer-courses/>) section for further information.

- \*\* Highly recommended for students seeking Social Science degree authorization
- + Transfer course acceptable for substitution to fulfill SDSU course requirement.
- ++ Does not fulfill SDSU requirements, but may fulfill requirements for other transfer institutions, including CSUs. Please check with individual institutions to ensure the course will transfer. Do not use for SDSU without approval.

## Foreign Language Requirement

There is no foreign language requirement. However, students interested in earning a bilingual teaching credential will be required to take upper division coursework in the language of the bilingual credential. For example, students who wish to earn a bilingual teaching credential in Spanish will be required to take upper division coursework in Spanish.

## San Diego State University

The Southwestern College associate degree requirements for Liberal Studies: Elementary Education are modeled after San Diego State's and will fulfill most of the requirements. Please see a counselor for additional requirements.

All SDSU majors (1991-92 or later catalog) are required to prepare an assessment portfolio that demonstrates their mastery of the subject matter. Because a portfolio should show growth in ability, syllabi and samples (graded papers, exams, and projects) should be saved from all lower-division courses.

All SDSU majors (2003-04 or later catalog) are also required to pass part or all of the California Subject Examination for Teachers-Multiple Subject (CSET-MS), depending upon their career goal. The State of California currently allows students to take lower and upper division coursework in place of the CSET exam. Any student interested in CSET waiver should meet with a counselor to ensure that the appropriate classes are taken to meet CSET waiver requirements.