

# Teacher Education



## | American River College

If you ever thought you might want to be a teacher, we have great news for you. Thanks to a program of courses offered by our colleges -- American River, Cosumnes River, Folsom Lake and Sacramento City -- you now can get your two year AA or AA-T degree and transfer to a CSU or UC to complete your BA degree. You then will be ready to enter the teaching credential program.

The first two years at a Los Rios Community College offers all the courses you need, including the two field experience courses, ENGED 320 and ENGED 324/ECE 350, to be eligible for transfer to the CSU system.

The unique opportunity of the two field experience courses places prospective teachers in schools working alongside credentialed teachers. In this way, you quickly discover if teaching is the profession for you.

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## Associate Degree for Transfer

### A.A.-T. in Elementary Teacher Education

The Associate in Elementary Teacher Education for Transfer provides a clearly articulated curricular track for students who wish to transfer to a CSU campus, while also serving the diverse needs of students interested in the breadth and depth of the field of Elementary Teacher Education. Additionally, this degree exposes students to the core principles and practices of the field in order to build a foundation for their future personal, academic, or vocational paths.

The Associate in Arts degree in Elementary Teacher Education for Transfer provides students with a major that fulfills the general requirements of the California State University for transfer. Students with this degree will receive priority admission with junior status to the California State University system. The Associate in Arts degree in Elementary Teacher Education for Transfer (AA-T) may be obtained by the completion of 60 transferable, semester units with a minimum 2.0 GPA, including (a) the major or area of emphasis described in the Required Program outlined below (earning a C or better in these courses) and (b) either the Intersegmental General Education Transfer Curriculum (IGETC) or the California State University General Education-Breadth Requirements.

### Degree Requirements

COURSE CODE	COURSE TITLE	UNITS
BIOL 310	General Biology (4)	4
CHEM 305	Introduction to Chemistry	5
ECE 312	Child Development (3)	3
or PSYC 372	Child Development (3)	
ENGED 324	Introduction to Elementary Teaching with Field Experience (3)	3
or ECE 350	Introduction to Elementary Teaching with Field Experience (3)	

COURSE CODE	COURSE TITLE	UNITS
ENGWR 300	College Composition (3)	3
or ENGWR 480	Honors College Composition (3)	
ENGWR 301	College Composition and Literature (3)	3 - 4
or ENGWR 303	Argumentative Writing and Critical Thinking Through Literature (4)	
or ENGWR 481	Honors College Composition and Literature (3)	
ENGWR 302	Advanced Composition and Critical Thinking	3
GEOG 320	World Regional Geography	3
GEOL 305	Earth Science	3
GEOL 306	Earth Science Laboratory	1
HIST 307	History of World Civilizations to 1500	3
HIST 308	History of World Civilizations, 1500 to Present	3
HIST 310	History of the United States (3)	3
or HIST 483	History of the United States - Honors (3)	
MATH 311	Mathematical Concepts for Elementary School Teachers - Number Systems	3
PHYS 310	Conceptual Physics	3
PHYS 312	Conceptual Physics Laboratory	1
POLS 301	Introduction to Government: United States (3)	3
or POLS 481	Introduction to Government: United States - Honors (3)	
SPEECH 301	Public Speaking	3
A minimum of 3 units from the following:		3
ARTH 300	Introduction to Art (3)	
MUFHL 300	Introduction to Music (3)	
TA 300	Introduction to the Theatre (3)	
Total Units:		56 - 57

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## Student Learning Outcomes

Upon completion of this program, the student will be able to:

- apply the scientific method using inquiry, data collection, quantitative reasoning, and basic mathematical concepts to analyze results
- assess teaching practices and learning conditions through application of child development theories
- evaluate attitudes, actions, and behaviors indicative of a professional educator
- apply analytical reading and writing, research, and critical thinking essential for completing assigned tasks
- explain relationships and interactions between humans and the earth
- apply knowledge of world history and cultures to identify the values of a culture and work with others of diverse cultures
- analyze statistical data
- present information effectively to an intended audience

- compare and contrast various forms and styles of music, artworks, and theatrical performances

## Career Information

Public or private instructional assistant or classroom aide, grades K-8; private tutor; publishing and textbook salesperson; curriculum and test developer; teacher, grades K-12 with additional education

## None (NONE)

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## Faculty

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