Transfer Student Guide: Pima Community College
Elementary Education (bilingual and ESL endorsement options) ▶ ▶ ▶

ADMISSIONS

The University of Arizona requires a Professional Admissions application to earn entry into the College of Education's professional teacher preparation majors. The application should be completed while applying for transfer admission to the university or students may transfer as a pre-elementary education major student and apply for professional admission in a future semester.

IN ADDITION TO COMPLETION OF THE AGEC-A OR AN ASSOCIATE OF ARTS DEGREE, THE FOLLOWING PRE-PROFESSIONAL COURSES ARE REQUIRED FOR PROFESSIONAL ADMISSION:

Pima Community College courses	Completion status at time of application	University of Arizona courses
MAT 142 or higher: Foundational Math	Must be completed*	**MATH 106** (preferred) or 107
Math for Teachers Sequence: 1. **MAT 146**: Math for Elementary Teachers 2. **MAT 147**: Math for Elementary Teachers	Preferred: completed/enrolled at PCC prior to beginning the program. Permitted: MATH 302B (or equivalent) during professional program with UA advisor approval	Math for Teachers Sequence: 1. **MATH 302A**: Understanding Elementary Math I 2. **MATH 302B**: Understanding Elementary Math II
POS 210: US & AZ Constitution	Preferred: completed at PCC toward AGEC. Permitted: completed at UA during professional program	**POL 210**: US & AZ Constitution
ECE 108: Literature/Social Studies for Children		**TLS 480**: Children's Literature in the Classroom
Art methods: Choices of classes in art, music, dance (actual methods class preferred) *Speak with advisor for options*		**Art methods:** Choices of classes in art, music, dance (actual methods class preferred) *Speak with advisor for options*
4th semester proficiency Second Language Choice of combination of CLEP exam, AP credit, or course completion through 202	Required: second semester must be completed	**4th semester proficiency Second Language** Choice of combination of CLEP exam, AP credit, or course completion through 202

* If applying for fall admission, foundational math must be completed in spring with a grade of C or higher. If applying for spring admission (Sept. or Dec.), foundational math must be completed and student enrolled in MAT 146 in fall at Pima CC.

** Must be in one single language; students wishing to become fluent in Spanish beyond 4th semester and teach in dual language classroom can pursue bilingual endorsement.

Visit education.arizona.edu/transfer-students to learn more.
Identify your UA COE major advisor at https://bit.ly/meet-your-advisor or 520-621-7865.

This information is provided as a transfer guide and does not constitute as academic advising. This is not intended for current University of Arizona students. Please see an advisor to discuss any non-UA coursework. Program requirements are subject to change.

THE UNIVERSITY OF ARIZONA
College of Education

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION PROFESSIONAL ADMISSIONS APPLICATION PROCESS

The Professional Admission application is used to ensure all eligible students meet coursework requirements by the application deadline. To be a qualified applicant, students should focus on strong overall academic performance and volunteer work within the grade level and environment they intend to teach. **Applications are due the second Friday of February by 4 p.m.** to begin the program in the following fall semester and by the second Friday of September by 4 p.m. to begin the program in the following spring semester.*

PROFESSIONAL ADMISSIONS CONSIDERS THE FOLLOWING SELECTION CRITERIA:

Grade Point Average

Program applicants are required to demonstrate a strong GPA (minimum 2.5; 3.0 preferred), but all applicants are considered and reviewed holistically and on a case-by-case basis. Demonstrating a GPA below 2.5 does not necessarily indicate ineligibility for the program; speak with a UA COE advisor to learn more.

Foundation Coursework

Students should be approaching junior standing (60 units) by the end of the semester in which they are applying. AGEC or its equivalent should be completed and includes the following completed coursework:

- WRT 101 and WRT 102
- 2nd semester of second language

Applicants should complete the following courses prior to application. If these courses remain in progress during the time of application, students may be admitted conditionally pending completion of this course with a grade of C or higher.

- MAT 142: Foundational math

Experience & Recommendations

Applicants will need to submit two completed recommendation forms, which can be found at tinyurl.com/UACOERecForm. This form should be used to document the student's 40 total hours.

- 20 hours in the Tucson area in public, district schools
- 20 hours, including public and/or private schools, in- and out-of-state. Hours completed to satisfy hour requirements for EDU 206 can be used.

Fingerprint Clearance Requirement

Applicants must provide a copy (front and back) of their Arizona IVP fingerprint clearance card at the time of admission. If you do not have this card, visit https://education.arizona.edu/fingerprint-clearance-requirement.

Essay

In the College of Education, teacher preparation programs emphasize how education can make meaningful and lasting impacts. In a 500–750 word essay, explain how education has influenced your life and/or community, both positively and negatively. Then, discuss how your own educational experiences will shape the kind of teacher you hope to become, with a focus on how you will value and integrate the diverse backgrounds and experiences of your future students.

(*Optional*) Additional Essay: If your GPA is below the required 2.50 and/or you are missing any application requirements, please prepare an additional essay addressing the circumstances that have affected your GPA/ability to complete all application requirements by the deadline. *Ask your UA COE advisor if you are unsure about completing this essay.*

Maintain Good Academic Standing

Students must be admitted to the University of Arizona and be in good academic standing (UA GPA of 2.0 or higher) at the beginning of the semester in which they intend to begin their upper-division courses.

*Late application may be available in May for fall admittance and in December for spring admittance. Please consult with a UA College of Education advisor.