

Special Education Foundations Transfer Pathway (AS)

60 Credits

The Special Education Foundations Transfer Pathway AS offers students a powerful option: the opportunity to complete an Associate of Science degree with course credits that directly transfer to designated Special Education bachelor's degree programs at Minnesota State universities. The curriculum has been specifically designed so that students completing this pathway degree and transferring to one of the seven Minnesota State universities enter the university with junior-year status. All courses in the Transfer Pathway associate degree will directly transfer and apply to the designated bachelor's degree programs in a related field.

Universities within the Minnesota State system include Bemidji State University; Metropolitan State University; Minnesota State University, Mankato; Minnesota State University Moorhead; Southwest Minnesota State University; St. Cloud State University; and Winona State University.

Individuals who have been arrested, charged or convicted of any criminal offense should investigate the impact that the arrest, charge or conviction may have on their chances of employment in the field they intend to study or on their chances to obtain federal, state and other higher education financial aid.

Required Courses

Incorporate the following Required Courses into the General Education/Minnesota Transfer Curriculum or Additional Course Requirements sections below.

COMM 1101	Fundamentals of Public Speaking Grade of B or higher is required	3 cr
EDUC 1101	Introduction to Education Grade of C or higher is required	4 cr
EDUC 2101	Education Technology	3 cr
EDUC 2222	Multicultural Education and Human Relations in Schools	3 cr
EDUC 2331	Professional Practice and Design of Individual Education Programs	2 cr
EDUC 2408	Introduction to Special Education	4 cr
EDUC 2409	Educational Psychology	4 cr

ENG 1101	College Writing Grade of B or higher is required	4 cr
MATH 1055	Elements of Mathematics 1	4 cr
PSYC 1109	Child and Adolescent Development Grade of C or higher is required	3 cr

General Education/Minnesota Transfer Curriculum (MnTC) – 40 credits

*See MnTC Curriculum for specific course options

The department recommends the following courses for completion of MnTC:

Goal 1: Communication – 2 Courses

ENG 1101	College Writing	4 cr
COMM 1101	Fundamentals of Public Speaking	3 cr

Goal 2: Critical Thinking

(met by completion of all 40 credits of the MnTC)

Goal 3: Natural Sciences – 2 Courses

(Select from two different departments; at least one must include a lab)

BIOL 1100 and PHYS 1001 & PHYS 1002 recommended

Course #1 _____

Course #2 _____

Goal 4: Mathematical/Logical Reasoning – 1 Course

Course – met by completing required MATH course

Goal 5: History and Social/Behavioral Sciences – 2 Courses

(Select from two different departments)

GEOG 1121 or HIST 1111 recommended

Course #1 – met by completing required PSYC course

Course #2 _____

Goal 6: Humanities and Fine Arts 2 Courses

Transfer Curriculum (MnTC).

(Select from two different departments)

ART 1101 and ENGL 2060 recommended

Course #1 _____

Course #2 _____

Goal 7: Human Diversity – 1 Course

HIST 1111 recommended

Course _____

Goal 8: Global Perspective – 1 Course

ART 1101 or GEOG 1121 recommended

Course _____

Goal 9: Ethical and Civic Responsibility – 1 Course

PHYS 1001 & PHYS 1002 recommended

Course _____

Goal 10: People and The Environment – 1 Course

BIOL 1104 recommended

Course _____

Additional recommended courses to meet 60 credits

EDUC 2223	Foundations of Instruction	2 cr
ENGT 1050	Bridging Engineering and Education	3 cr
MATH 1065	Elements of Mathematics 2	4 cr

Additional Degree Requirements – 20 credits

- Complete required 30 field work hours.
- Demonstrate expected standards in Professional Disposition.
- Complete additional courses to reach 60 total credits, of which 40 credits must satisfy all 10 MnTC Goals.
- Earn a minimum cumulative grade point average (GPA) of 2.0 for college-level coursework (courses numbered 1000 and above) completed at Normandale.
- Earn a minimum of 15 college-level credits at Normandale.

Coursework in this degree program satisfies the Minnesota