

Associate in Applied Science Degree

TEACHER EDUCATION

Make a difference as an educator. If your career goal is teaching in a K-12 setting, HGTC's Teacher Education degree is a great first step. You'll gain the tools needed to help students of all ages learn, grow, and succeed in school. After completing this A.A.S. degree, you can either start working in the education sector as a paraprofessional or pursue a bachelor's degree.

HGTC has 2+2 transfer agreements with the following colleges:

- Coastal Carolina University: Early Childhood, Elementary, Middle Level, Physical, Secondary, and Special Education.
- Lander University: Early Childhood Education (online)
- USC Columbia: Early Childhood, Elementary, and Middle Level Education.
- USC Palmetto College: Elementary Education (online)

Students interested in transferring to a senior institution where we do not have an existing agreement, should contact their Academic Advisor for assistance in course selection. Additionally, it is crucial to contact the Admissions Office at the prospective transfer institution early to determine appropriate courses for transfer.

Admission to the Professional College of Education at senior institutions requires passing scores on the PRAXIS I; HGTC offers PRAXIS preparation opportunities (EDU 102).

Teachers are in high demand in South Carolina, and qualifying teachers can have their student loans forgiven through the South Carolina Teachers Loan Program. Teacher Education students may also qualify for the SC WINS scholarship.

SPECIFIC ADMISSION REQUIREMENTS FOR PROGRAM

- Criminal Background Check is a prerequisite to EDU 102 and EDU 110.

CURRICULUM SEQUENCE

GENERAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

English Composition and Speech

ALL of the following MUST be completed:

ENG 101	English Composition I	Semester Credit Hours
ENG 102	English Composition II	
SPC 205	Public Speaking	
Total Credit Hours Needed		9

Mathematics/Science

ONE course to be chosen from the following courses: (see advisor)

MAT 250	Elementary Mathematics I			
MAT 110	College Algebra (see advisor)			
MAT 120	Probability & Statistics (see advisor)			
ONE course to be chosen from the following courses: (see advisor)				
AST 101	AST 102	BIO 101	BIO 102	BIO 105
BIO 210	BIO 211	CHM 110	CHM 111	PHY 201
PHY 202				
Total Credit Hours Needed				7

Humanities/Fine Arts

HIS 201	American History: Disc to 1877				3
<b>ONE</b> course to be chosen from the following courses:					
ART 101	ART 108	ENG 201	ENG 202	ENG 205	
ENG 206	ENG 208	ENG 209	ENG 230	ENG 236	
HIS 101	HIS 102	HIS 201	HIS 202	MUS 105	
PHI 101	PHI 110	PHI 201	SPA 201	SPA 202	
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Total Credit Hours Needed					6

Social Behavioral Sciences

PSY 201	General Psychology	3
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PSY 210	Educational Psychology	3
GEO 102	World Geography	3
<b>ONE</b> course to be chosen from the following courses:		
PSC 201	American Government	3
PSY 203	Human Growth and Development	3
<b>Total Credit Hours Needed</b>		<b>12</b>

#### EDUCATION COURSES

EDU 102	Professional Preparation for Education Careers	3
EDU 110	Careers in Education	3
EDU 200 <sup>†</sup>	Foundations of Special Education	3
EDU 201	Classroom Inquiry with Technology	3
EDU 241 <sup>†</sup>	Learners & Diversity**	4
<b>Total Credit Hours Needed</b>		<b>15</b>

#### ELECTIVES

Choose from transferable Humanities, Communication or Social Science courses or courses below. Courses used to complete one requirement cannot be the same course or courses used to satisfy other requirements.

**Total Credit Hours Needed 15**

Students interested in **Early Childhood Education (pK-3rd)** should talk with their advisor. It is recommended students take the following elective courses:

ECD 101	ECD 135	MAT 251	GEO 102	HIS 202
PSY 210				

<sup>†</sup>Early childhood students may substitute ECD 252 for EDU 241.

Early childhood students may substitute ECD 107 for EDU 200.

Students interested in **Elementary Education (2nd-6th)** should talk with their advisor. It is recommended students take the following elective courses:

ECD 135	GEO 102	HIS 101	MAT 251
PSY 203	PSY 210		

Students interested in **Middle Level Education (5th-8th)** should talk with their advisor. It is recommended students take the following elective courses:

EDU 242                      PSY 210                      \*\*\*Choose two content areas ELA, SS, Math, Science

English: ENG 101, ENG 102, ENG 205, ENG 155

Social Studies: ECO 210, GEO 102, PSC 201, HIS 201, HIS 202

Mathematics: MAT 120, MAT 140

Science: AST 101, BIO 101, BIO 102, CHM 110, CHM 111

Students interested in **Special Education (pK-12th)** should talk with their advisor. It is recommended students take the following elective courses:

MAT 251	GEO 102	PSY 203	PSY 210
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Students interested in **Physical Education (pK-12th)** should talk with their advisor. It is recommended students take the following elective courses:

BIO 210	BIO 211	PSY 203	PSY 210
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**TOTAL CREDIT HOURS 64**

Students transferring into a professional program for Teacher Education must earn an overall GPA of 2.75, Pass or Exempt Praxis I, and be able to pass a Criminal Background Check.