

George Mason University BEd in Elementary Education
Brightpoint AS in Teacher Education
2025-2026

ADVANCE
 PART OF THE MASON VIRGINIA PROMISE



Transfer Requirements

1. Complete the associate degree with a 2.5 or higher cumulative GPA.
2. ENG 111, ENG 112, and a college-level math course must be completed with a C or higher in the first 45 credits. See the pathway to select the correct math course(s) for the intended major.
3. Transfer to Mason for the fall or spring semester immediately following the conferral of the pathway associate degree.
4. Grades of C or higher are required for transfer credit. Select programs may require a higher grade in specified courses. See the program-specific requirements noted on the pathway.
5. Students must complete their associate degree within five years of entering the program.

Program Specific Requirements

1. Students must receive a C or better in all major courses for teacher licensure.
2. Licensure testing requirements are determined by the Commonwealth of Virginia and may change at any time. If changes to these requirements occur, students must meet the current testing and licensure requirements as set forth in the legal code of Virginia.
3. Students are highly recommended to meet with a Mason Content Area Advisor prior to transferring to Mason: [CEHD Content Area Review](#).
4. Incoming students must also complete a cohort preference survey prior to enrolling in junior-level ELED courses at Mason.

Associate Degree Requirements

#	Associate Degree Requirement & Course	Credits	Mason Equivalent	Mason Degree Requirement
1	SDV 100	1	UNIV100	General Elective
2	ENG 111	3	ENGH —	General Elective
3	MTH 154	3	MATH 106	Gen Ed: Quantitative Reasoning
4	CST 100	3	COMM 100	Gen Ed: Oral Comm
5	HIS 121 or HIS 122	3	HIST 121 or HIST 122	General Elective
6	ENG 112	3	ENGH 101	Gen Ed: Written Comm
7	EDU 200	3	EDUC 200	Gen Ed: Social & Behavioral Science
8	BIO 101 or BIO 106	4	BIOL 103/105	Gen Ed: Natural Science
9	MTH 245	3	STAT 250	General Elective
10	PHY 100 Additional Options: CHM 101, ENV 121	4	PHYS 103, CHEM 103, or EVPP 108/109	Gen Ed: Natural Science
11	EDU 207	3	EDUC L302	General Elective
12	ECO 150	3	ECON 100	General Elective
13	EDU 204	3	EDUC L301	Major
14	ENG 250 (recommended) Additional Options: ENG 225, ENG 245, ENG 246, ENG 255, ENG 275, ENG 258	3	ELED 258 or ENGH 202	Gen Ed: Literature
15	EDU 250	3	EDSE 201	General Elective
16	Arts Elective: ART 101, ART 102, CST 130, CST 151, MUS 121	3	Mason Equivalent ¹	Gen Ed: Arts
17	Transfer Elective: HIS 111 or HIST 112	3	HIST L387 or HIST 125	Gen Ed: Global History
18	Transfer Elective: EDY 206 or EDU 270	3	EDSE 251 or EDSE 230	General Elective
19	Transfer Elective: PLS 135	3	GOVT 103	General Elective
20	Transfer Elective: GEO 220	3	GGG 101	General Elective
	Associate degree total: <i>Students must apply to graduate by the community college graduation application deadline.</i>	60		

Bachelor's Degree Requirements

#	Degree Requirement & Course	Credits	Notes
21	Gen Ed: Written Comm: ENGH 302	3	
22	ELED 242	3	
23	ELED 305	3	Writing Intensive
24	ELED 390	2	
25	ELED 391	1	
26	ELED 401	3	
27	ELED 402	3	
28	ELED 410	3	
29	ELED 411	3	
30	ELED 412	3	
31	ELED 421	3	
32	ELED 443	3	
33	ELED 452	3	
34	ELED 453	3	
35	ELED 454	3	
36	Gen Ed: Apex: ELED 480	3	
37	Concentration requirements	12	See catalog for concentration options and specific requirements. ²
38	General Elective	3	
	Total post-transfer credits:	60	
	Pathway total:	120	

Footnotes:

1. To confirm Mason equivalencies, visit: [Mason Transfer Credit Matrix](#).
2. Students must complete a concentration in either Education Studies (Non-Licensure) or Elementary Education (PK-6 Licensure). See Mason Education advisor to declare a concentration. For more information visit: [Current Elementary Education](#), [BSEd Catalog](#). Please use the [catalog archive link](#) to navigate to your specific catalog year requirements.

Additional Academic Information:

- Students who complete a VCCS transfer associate degree (AS, AA, AA&S, or AFA) will receive a waiver of the Foundation and Exploration (lower division) Mason Core general education categories. To be eligible for the waiver, the students must provide the Mason Office of Admissions with a final, official transcript reflecting the degree conferral date. As a prerequisite for ENGH 302, ENGH 101 is not waived. Students must complete ENGH 100 or ENGH 101, or an equivalent, with a C or higher.
 - When a course fulfills a Mason Core requirement and a major or college requirement (e.g. Major & Quant), students must complete the course listed on the pathway to fulfill the major/college requirement. Courses that fulfill only Mason Core Foundation and Exploration categories are recommendations. In most pathways, ADVANCE students must complete a Quantitative Reasoning course to matriculate through ADVANCE.
 - ADVANCE students must complete the associate degree indicated on their pathway (see the Transfer Requirements listed above). Students who withdraw from ADVANCE and transfer without the associate degree or UCGS are required to complete each Mason Core general education category.
- All students seeking a bachelor's degree must apply at least 45 credits of upper-level courses (numbered 300 or above) toward graduation.
- For academic policies and procedures relating to the associate degree, please navigate to your specific catalog year using the Archive Catalog link: [Catalog and Student Handbook Archive](#)
- For academic policies and procedures relating to the bachelor's degree, please visit: [George Mason Catalog](#) . Navigate to your specific catalog year requirements using the catalog archive: [George Mason Catalog Archive](#).