

The Academic Plan is a semester-by-semester plan for the full-time college-ready student. All students, both full-time and part-time, should work with a teacher education faculty member to customize the map to fit individual needs.

ACADEMIC PLAN		NOTES
Fall 1st Year	Cr Hrs	Semester 1
ENG101 English Composition 1	3	
MTH13X or above Mathematics ¹	3	
COL1XX First Year Experience	1-3	
COM110 Public Speaking ³	3	
PSY101 General Psychology	3	
EDU105 Exploring the Field of Education	1	
Total Hours	14-16	

Spring 1st Year		Semester 2
ENG102 English Composition II	3	
BIO101/BIO102 General Biology ^{1,6}	5	
Humanities course ^{1,4,5}	3	
EDU205 Educational Technology	3	
EDU210 Foundations of Education in a Diverse Society	3	
Total Hours	15-17	

Fall 2nd Year		Semester 3
EDU225 Educational Psychology	3	
PSY205 Life Span Human Development ^{1,2}	3	
PHY101/PHY102 Physical Science ^{1,6}	3-5	
Civics Course (HST103, HST104, or PSC102) ¹	3	
Humanities course ^{1,4,5}	3	
Total Hours	15-17	

Spring 2nd Year		Semester 4
EDU230 Teaching Profession With Field Experience	3	
EDU235 Education of the Exceptional Learner <i>or</i> Other Elective ¹	3	
Additional General Education Course ¹	3	
Humanities course ^{1,4,5}	3	
Elective ¹	3	
Additional General Education Course or Elective ¹	1-3	
Total Hours	16-18	

¹ Students should consult options that meet A.A.T. requirements as well as the requirements of their desired four-year program when choosing from possible alternatives. (See a teacher education faculty member for more information.)

² Students may substitute PSY201 Child Development or PSY202 Adolescent Psychology for PSY205 Life Span Human Development only if their four-year program directs them to do so.

³ COM110 is preferred; however, students may substitute COM100 Fundamentals of Communication to meet the requirement for the AAT.

⁴ EDU240 Multicultural Education fulfills one of the humanities requirements for AAT completers only.

⁵ EDU245 Literature for Children fulfills one of the humanities requirements for early childhood and elementary ed. AAT completers only.

⁶ Students must take at least one (1) of two sciences with a lab. (Some four-year programs require both sciences with a lab.)

Program Description: Students in the Teacher Education program at Jefferson College earn the Associate of Arts in Teaching (A.A.T.) degree, which facilitates their transfer to a teacher certification program at a four-year institution. The constructivist focus of the program provides students with hand-on opportunities to develop their teaching knowledge and skills in college classes and in P-12 classrooms as it helps prepare them to be successful in their four-year programs and effective teachers in the future.

Students must earn a cumulative GPA of 2.75 to be eligible to graduate with the A.A.T degree as well as a 2.75 in all education courses, with no grade lower than a “C” in education courses. They must also pass the Missouri General Education Assessment (MoGEA) scores with insitutional requirements. Four-year transfer institutions may have additional requirements including higher GPA or MoGEA scores, or additional course requirements.

Admission Requirements: Must meet first-semester course prerequisites

Department Faculty Advisors: Ken Boning and Tamela Reaves

Division Chair: Terry Kite

Employment Outlook/Median Salary*:

Career	Degree Level Required	** Growth	Median Annual Salary
Kindergarten and Elementary School Teachers	Baccalaureate	12%	\$53,090
Middle School Teachers	Baccalaureate	12%	\$53,430
High School Teachers	Baccalaureate	6%	\$55,050
Special Education Teachers	Baccalaureate	6%	\$55,060

**Employment information based on current Bureau of Labor Statistics Occupational Outlook Handbook.*

***Projected % of change in employment 2012-2022; the average for all occupations is 11%.*

Jefferson College Program Highlights:

More than 250 classroom teachers and other educational professionals in Jefferson County and the surrounding areas have taken classes in the Jefferson College Teacher Education Program.

Students in the program spend more than 30 hours of field experiences in P-12 schools not only observing classrooms but also tutoring and teaching classes of students.

Transfer Information:

The Associate of Arts in Teaching (A.A.T.) degree is a statewide degree designed to facilitate the transfer of students from community colleges to four-year teacher education programs in Missouri. The program faculty strongly recommend that students determine their four-year program as early as possible, so students may choose the best courses at Jefferson College to transfer to their desired institution.

Additional information regarding transfer agreements for individuals seeking teacher certification can be found by clicking [here](#).