# B.S. in Education Program Admission Requirements (General Education)

# **Elementary Education, BS**

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The Bachelor of Science (BS) in Elementary Education is designed to prepare individuals to teach all subject areas grades K-6. The program provides an educational pathway for students who have earned an Associate in Arts degree to include EDF 2005, EDF 2085, and EME 2040. It is also a good option for students with a child development focus. Upon graduation, students will meet the mandated state teaching requirements for certification in Elementary Education with ESOL and Reading Endorsement.

#### **Program Highlights:**

The BS in Elementary Education is a Florida Department of Education (FLDOE) approved program that culminates with both Reading and ESOL endorsement. The program includes courses in teaching students with English as a second language, students with exceptionalities, reading competency, classroom management, assessment, and integrated approaches to teaching methodologies at the elementary school level. Students will learn to facilitate lessons that integrate math and science, health, music and movement, as well as literature, fine arts, language arts, and social sciences. Field experience requirements are progressive in nature, building upon previous semester experiences. Students will observe teachers in the field, teach lessons through the practicum courses, and complete a full-time teaching internship in their final semester. Courses are offered for full-time and part-time students, with blended and online courses where applicable. Students will complete one upper division literacy course (3 credit hours) taught by Florida Gulf Coast University faculty.

# **Admission Requirements:**

In addition to fulfilling the entrance requirements for Edison State College, applicants for the BS in Elementary Education degree program must meet the following requirements consistent with Florida Statute 1004.04:

- 1. Completion of the Associate in Arts (AA) degree or the equivalent, including all general education and required Florida mandated common course prerequisites. Students with a minimum of 60 transferable hours, with all general education requirements and prerequisites met, may apply for admission.
- 2. Completion of the lower-division education prerequisite courses: EDF 2005 (Introduction to the Teaching Profession), EDF 2085 (Introduction to Diversity for Educators), and EME 2040 (Introduction to Technology for Educators), with grades of "C" or higher.
- 3. Applicants must have a grade point average of at least 2.5 on a 4.0 scale for the general education component of undergraduate studies or have completed the requirements for a baccalaureate degree with a minimum grade point average of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale from any college or university accredited by a regional accrediting association, as defined by State Board of Education rule, with a minimum of 60 credit hours.

Demonstrated mastery of general knowledge, including the ability to read, write, and compute, by passing the General Knowledge Test of the Florida Teacher Certification Examination, the College Level Academic Skills Test (CLAST) (prior to July 1, 2009), a corresponding component of the National Teachers Examination series, or a similar test pursuant to rules of the State Board of Education.

## Middle Grades Language Arts, BS

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The Bachelor of Science (BS) in Middle Grades Language Arts is designed to prepare individuals to teach English/Language Arts in grades 5-9. The program provides an educational pathway for students who have earned an Associate in Arts degree to include EDF 2005, EDF 2085, and EME 2040. It is also a good option for students with a child development focus. Upon graduation, students will meet the mandated state teaching requirements for certification in Middle Grades Language Arts with ESOL and Reading endorsements.

#### **Program Highlights:**

The BS in Middle Grades Language Arts Education is a Florida Department of Education (FLDOE) approved program that culminates with both Reading and ESOL endorsement. The program includes courses that prepare teacher candidates to understand the nature of the adolescent learner and the middle grades philosophy. Content courses cover literature, composition, reading competency, classroom management, assessment, and integrated approaches to teaching methodologies at the middle school level. In addition, teacher candidates will take courses to prepare them to teach English language learners (ELLs) and students with exceptionalities. Students will learn to facilitate lessons that integrate the five strands of the language arts (reading, writing, speaking, listening, and viewing). Field experience requirements are progressive in nature, building upon previous semester experiences. Students will complete field experience, teach lessons through the practicum courses, and complete a full-time teaching internship in their final semester. Courses are offered for full-time and part-time students, with blended technology and online courses where applicable.

### **Admission Requirements:**

In addition to fulfilling the entrance requirements for Edison State College, applicants for the BS in Middle Grades Language Arts Education degree program must meet the following requirements consistent with Florida Statute 1004.04:

- 1. Completion of the Associate in Arts (AA) degree or the equivalent, including all general education core requirements and required Florida mandated common course prerequisites. Students with a minimum of 60 transferable hours, with all general education core requirements and prerequisites met, may apply for admission.
- 2. Completion of the lower-division education prerequisite courses: EDF 2005 (Introduction to the Teaching Profession), EDF 2085 (Introduction to Diversity for Educators), and EME 2040 (Introduction to Technology for Educators), with grades of "C" or higher.
- 3. Applicants must have a grade point average of at least 2.5 on a 4.0 scale for the general education component of undergraduate studies or have completed the requirements for a baccalaureate degree with a minimum grade point average of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale from any college or university accredited by a regional accrediting association, as defined by State Board of Education rule, with a minimum of 60 credit hours. Demonstrated mastery of general knowledge, including the ability to read, write, and compute, by passing the General Knowledge Test (GK) of the Florida Teacher Certification Examination, the College Level Academic Skills Test (CLAST) (prior to July 1, 2009), a corresponding component of the National Teachers Examination series, or a similar test pursuant to rules of the State Board of Education.

Applicants not meeting stated admissions criteria may petition for program admittance if they feel that there are mitigating circumstances. Applicants must submit an official petition form to the Office of the Registrar(forms are available online).

## Middle Grades Mathematics Education, BS

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The Bachelor of Science (BS) in the Middle Grades Mathematics Education program is designed to prepare individuals to teach mathematics to students in grades 5-9. The program provides an educational pathway for students who have earned an Associate in Arts degree to include specific math and education prerequisites. Upon graduation, students will meet the mandated state teaching requirements, for certification in Middle Grades Mathematics education.

#### **Program Highlights:**

The BS in Middle Grades Mathematics Education degree is a Florida Department of Education (FLDOE) approved program. The program includes courses in statistics, geometry, liberal arts, and algebra. In addition, teacher candidates will take courses to prepare them to work with English Language Learners (ELLs) and students with exceptionalities. Throughout the program, teacher candidates will develop classroom management and assessment strategies for working with a diverse population of students. Field experience requirements are progressive in nature, building upon previous semester experiences. Students will progress through diverse field experiences, teach lessons through the practicum courses, and complete a full-time teaching internship in their final semester. Courses are offered for full-time and part-time students, with blended and on-line course offerings where applicable.

## **Admission Requirements:**

In addition to fulfilling the entrance requirements for Edison State College, applicants for the BS in Middle Grades Mathematics Education degree program must meet the following requirements consistent with Florida Statute 1004.04:

- 1. Completion of the Associate in Arts (AA) degree or the equivalent, including all general education and required Florida mandated common course program prerequisites. Students with a minimum of 60 transferable hours, with all general education requirements and prerequisites met, may apply for admission.
- 2. Completion of the lower-division education prerequisite courses: EDF 2005 (Introduction to the Teaching Profession), EDF 2085 (Introduction to Diversity for Educators), and EME 2040 (Introduction to Technology for Educators), with grades of "C" or higher.
- 3. Applicants must have a grade point average of at least 2.5 on a 4.0 scale for the general education component of undergraduate studies or have completed the requirements for a baccalaureate degree with a minimum grade point average of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale from any college or university accredited by a regional accrediting association, as defined by State Board of Education rule , with a minimum of 60 credit hoursDemonstrated mastery of general knowledge, including the ability to read, write, and compute, by passing the General Knowledge Test (GK) of the Florida Teacher Certification Examination, the College Level Academic Skills Test (CLAST) (prior to July 1, 2009), a corresponding component of the National Teachers Examination series, or a similar test pursuant to rules of the State Board of Education.
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# Middle Grades Science Education, BS

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The Bachelor of Science (BS) in Middle Grades Science Education is designed to prepare individuals to teach life and physical science in grades 5-9. The program provides an educational pathway for students who have earned an Associate in Arts degree to include specific science and education prerequisites. Upon graduation, students will meet the mandated state teaching requirements, for certification in Middle Grades Science education.

## **Program Highlights:**

The Middle Grades Science Education degree is a Florida Department of Education (FLDOE) approved program. The program includes courses that prepare teacher candidates to understand the nature of the adolescent learner and the middle grades philosophy. Content courses cover general ecology, scientific processes, and physical and biological sciences. In addition, teacher candidates will take courses to prepare them to teach English as a second language, students with exceptionalities, and reading competency. Throughout the program, teacher candidates will develop classroom management and assessment strategies for working with a diverse population of students. Field experience requirements are progressive in nature, building upon previous semester experiences. Students will complete field experience, teach lessons through the practicum courses, and complete a full-time teaching internship in their final semester. Courses are offered for full-time and part-time students, with blended technology and online courses where applicable. Students may complete two upper division courses (6 credit hours of science course work) through Florida Gulf Coast University.

#### **Admission Requirements:**

In addition to fulfilling the entrance requirements for Edison State College, applicants for the BS in Middle Grades Science Education degree program must meet the following requirements consistent with Florida Statute 1004.04:

- 1. Completion of the Associate in Arts (AA) degree, or the equivalent, including all General Education Core Requirements and required Florida mandated common course program prerequisites. Students with a minimum of 60 transferable hours, with all General Education requirements and prerequisites met, may apply for admission.
- 2. Completion of the lower-division education prerequisite courses: EDF 2005 (Introduction to the Teaching Profession,) EDF 2085 (Introduction to Diversity for Educators), and EME 2040 (Introduction to Technology for Educators) with grades of "C" or higher.
- 3. Applicants must have a grade point average of at least 2.5 on a 4.0 scale for the General Education component of undergraduate studies or have completed the requirements for a baccalaureate degree with a minimum grade point average of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale from any college or university accredited by a regional accrediting association as defined by State Board of Education rule, with a minimum of 60 credit hours Demonstrated mastery of general knowledge, including the ability to read, write, and compute, by passing the General Knowledge Test (GK) of the Florida Teacher Certification Examination, the College Level Academic Skills Test (CLAST) (prior to July 1, 2009), a corresponding component of the National Teachers Examination series, or a similar test pursuant to rules of the State Board of Education.

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# **Secondary Education Biology, BS**

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The Bachelor of Science (BS) in Secondary Education Biology program is designed to prepare individuals to teach biology grades 6-12 (middle and high school). The program provides an educational pathway for students who have earned an Associate in Arts degree to include specific science and education prerequisites. Upon graduation, students will meet the mandated state teaching requirements, for certification in Secondary Education Biology.

#### **Program Highlights:**

The BS in Secondary Biology Education program includes courses in teaching students with English as a second language, students with exceptionalities, reading competency, classroom management, assessment, and integrated approaches to teaching methodologies at the middle and high school levels. Field experience requirements are progressive in nature, building upon previous semester experiences. Students will observe teachers in the field, teach lessons through the practicum courses, and complete a full-time teaching internship in their final semester. Courses are offered for full and part time students, with blended technology components where applicable. Students may complete three upper division courses (9 credit hours of science coursework) through Florida Gulf Coast University.

#### **Admission Requirements:**

In addition to fulfilling the entrance requirements for Edison State College, applicants for the BS in Secondary Education Biology degree program must meet the following requirements consistent with Florida Statute 1004.04:

- 1. Completion of the Associate in Arts (AA) degree, or the equivalent including all General Education Core Requirements and required Florida mandated common course program prerequisites. Students with a minimum of 60 transferable hours, with all General Education requirements and prerequisites met, may apply for admission.
- 2. Completion of the lower-division education prerequisite courses: EDF 2005 (Introduction to the Teaching Profession), EDF 2085 (Introduction to Diversity for Educators), and EME 2040 (Introduction to Technology for Educators), with grades of "C" or higher.
- 3. Applicants must have a grade point average of at least 2.5 on a 4.0 scale for the General Education component of undergraduate studies or have completed the requirements for a baccalaureate degree with a minimum grade point average of 2.5 on a 4.0 scale from any college or university accredited by a regional accrediting association as defined by State Board of Education rule, with a minimum of 60 credit hours. Demonstrated mastery of general knowledge, including the ability to read, write, and compute, by passing the General Knowledge Test of the Florida Teacher Certification Examination, the College Level Academic Skills Test (CLAST) (prior to July 1, 2009), a corresponding component of the National Teachers Examination series, or a similar test pursuant to rules of the State Board of Education.
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# **Secondary Education Mathematics, BS**

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The Bachelor of Science (BS) in Secondary Education Mathematics program is designed to prepare individuals to teach mathematics grades 6-12 (middle and high school). The program provides an educational pathway for students who have earned an Associate in Arts degree to include specific math and education prerequisites. Upon graduation, students will meet the mandated state teaching requirements, for certification in Secondary Education Mathematics.

#### **Program Highlights:**

The BS in Secondary Mathematics Education degree is a Florida Department of Education (FLDOE) approved program. The program includes courses in teaching students with English as a second language, students with exceptionalities, reading competency, classroom management, assessment, and integrated approaches to teaching methodologies at the middle and high school levels. Field experience requirements are progressive in nature, building upon previous semester experiences. Students will observe teachers in the field, teach lessons through the practicum courses, and complete a full-time teaching internship in their final semester. Courses are offered for full and part time students, with blended technology components where applicable. Students may complete three upper division courses (9 credit hours of mathematics coursework) through Florida Gulf Coast University.

#### **Admission Requirements:**

In addition to fulfilling the entrance requirements for Edison State College, applicants for the BS in Secondary Education Mathematics degree program must meet the following requirements consistent with Florida Statute 1004.04:

- 1. Completion of the Associate in Arts (AA) degree or the equivalent, including all General Education Core Requirements and required Florida mandated common course program prerequisites. Students with a minimum of 60 transferable hours, with all General Education requirements and prerequisites met, may apply for admission.
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