

Elementary Teacher Preparation – Liberal Studies Major Fast Track: Sample 4-year plan



Note to students and advisors: Remember that this is a SAMPLE. Your schedule, for many reasons, will probably not end up looking exactly like this. What's shown is a "fast-track" schedule. Be aware that you also have the option of completing the Liberal Studies major over a four-year period, with a fifth year reserved for your teaching credential. Your acceptance into Westmont does not automatically entitle you to admission into the Credential Program. In order to enter the Credential Program, you will need to apply separately during your final year of regular study. Among other conditions, you will need to have earned a 2.75 GPA and a passing score on the CSET. See the college catalog for details on admission to the program.

	Fall	units	Spring	units
First Year	GE Common Context (see options below*)	4	GE Common Context	4
	ENG 2: Comp. (GE Common Skill: Writing)	4	ENG 6: Stu. in Lit. (GE Common Inquiry: Ima. Lit)	4
	HIS 7: US to 1877 (GE Common Inquiry: His.)	4	LS 12: Life Science (GE Common Inq: Life Sci)	4
	PHS 11: Phy Sci. (GE Common Inq: Phy Sci.)	4	Concentration elective	4
	PE 32: Fitness for Life (GE Common Skill: PE)	1	PEA (GE Common Skill: PE)	1
	Total Units	17		17
May Term or Summer First, Second, or Third Year: GE Common Skill: Foreign Language (3-4 units)				
Second Year	GE Common Context	4	GE Common Context	4
	MA 160: Fund. of Math (GE Com. Inq: Rea. Abs)	4	MA 165: Fund. of Math II (GE Common Skill)	2
	ENG 106: Language Acquisition	4	ED 172: Children's Literature	4
	MUS 184: Music for Children	4	ENG 104: Modern Grammar and Composition	4
	KNS 155: Fundamentals of Movement	2	ART 180: Art for Children (GE Com Inq: Art)	4
			PEA (GE Common Skill: PE)	1
Total Units	18		19 overload	
Third Year	GE Common Context	4	HIS 178: CA History (GE Common Inq: History)	4
	ED 105: Cultural Div. (GE Common Inq: Global)	4	ED 160: Computers for Teachers	2
	PHS 114: Earth Science	4	PSY 115: Child Development	4
	KNS 156: Heath Education	2	ED 100: Explorations in Teaching	4
	Concentration elective	4	ED 109: Liberal Studies Seminar	1
			Concentration Elective	4
Total Units	18		19 overload	
Fourth Year	ED 110: Educational Psychology	4	ED 190: Student Teaching	12
	ED 120: Social Studies/Science Instruction	4	ED 195: Student Teaching Seminar	3
	ED 150: Math Instruction	4		
	ED 170: Reading and Language Arts Instruction	4		
	ED 130: Special Education	2		
	Total Units	18		15

- Students who choose not to complete the teacher preparation program as a part of their four-year program, or who have not been admitted to the credential program, will replace the education courses listed in the fourth year with elective units.
- Based on the "fast-track" schedule above, you would need to take a minimum of 2 elective units in May Term or summer school, or bring into Westmont 2+ units of AP credit.
- As noted previously, you must apply separately to enter the Credential Program. Among other conditions, you need to have a 2.75 GPA and a passing score on the CSET exams.
- Students who choose the "fast-track" option must complete ALL requirements for graduation by December of their Senior year. Otherwise, they do not qualify for the tuition discount the Spring semester of student teaching. It is not possible to complete the Liberal Studies major in December with "deficient" units.

*Common Context (CC)
RS 1: Old Testament
RS 10: New Testament
RS 20: Christian Doctrine
PHI 6: Philosophical Reflections
HIS 9: World Civilization to 1750 (Liberal Studies students fulfill this CC differently than students in other majors)