This Associate in Arts degree program is designed for students who expect to transfer and earn a degree in Elementary, Early Childhood, or Special Education.

For additional program information, visit the UF website.

Possible employment areas for this major include early childhood teacher (K-3), elementary teacher (1-6), middle school teacher, teacher for learning disabled/emotionally disabled/handicapped, guidance counselor (with graduate school), recreation supervisor, youth organization worker, sales representative (school equipment/supplies).

For more information please visit The Occupational Outlook Handbook website.

The courses listed on this guide are not to be construed as a contract between the student and Chipola or the University. Course requirements may change each year. You are encouraged to work closely with your advisor.

Associate in Arts Degree

Elementary Education (Code 1059)
Early Childhood (Code 1097) and
Special Education (Code 1079)
Transfer Institution: University of Florida

Program Length
60 credits

Entrance Requirements
This is a limited access program. Admissions are fall and spring only.

A minimum composite score of 21 on the Enhanced ACT (1010 SAT), passing scores on all parts of the CLAST exam, and a minimum GPA of 2.6 are required in order to be placed in the "pool" of eligible applicants for admission to the College of Education; a minimum GPA of 3.0 is required on core courses, with no grade below "C" on first attempt. These are automatic Master's degree programs; you must gain admission to UF graduate school during your senior year and complete the M.Ed. to be eligible for initial certification needed for employment in the State of Florida.

THE UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA WILL DENY ADMISSION TO ANY STUDENT WHO HAS NOT SATISFIED THE STATE FOREIGN LANGUAGE REQUIREMENT.

ALL STUDENTS ENTERING UF ARE REQUIRED TO POSSESS A PERSONAL COMPUTER. CHECK THE CJC ONLINE CURRICULUM GUIDE FOR AN INTERNET LINK TO UF FOR SPECIFIC COMPUTER HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE CONFIGURATIONS FOR THIS MAJOR.

The courses listed in BOLD are critical tracking courses for this major at UF.

FRESHMAN YEAR
ENC 11011 Communication Skills I 4 ENC 11021 Communication Skills II 4
GLY 10011 Intro to Earth Science 3 PSC 1121 & 1121L1 Intro to Physical Science with Lab 4
MAC 11051 College Algebra 3 MGF 11061 Mathematics for Liberal Arts I 3
EDF 10051 Intro to Education 3 PSY 20121 General Psychology 3
AMH 2010 or 20201 American History 3 XXX XXXX1,2 SOCIAL SCIENCE 3
SLS 1101 Orientation 1

TOTAL 17 TOTAL 17

SOPHOMORE YEAR
HUM 2216 or 22331 Humanities w/ Writing 4 SPC 26001 Effective Public Speaking 3
BSC 10051 Intro to Biology 3 DEP 20041 Human Growth & Development 3
EDG 27011 Teaching Diverse Population 3 EME 20401 Intro to Educational Tech 3
STA 20231 Intro to Statistics 3 SYG 10101 Contemporary Sociology 3
ARH 10031 The Purpose of Art 3 MUL 20101 Music Appreciation 3

Total 16 Total 15

1 A 3.0 GPA is required in these courses with no grade less than "C" on first attempt.

1 The College of Education requires six (6) hours of international/diversity courses and twelve (12) hours of social science courses. The following CJC courses meet both these requirements: AMH 2091, GEA 2001, GEA 2002, REL 2300, WOH 2012, or WOH 2022.