



The Associate of Arts degree (A.A.) at JCCC is a general transfer degree and partners well with the first two years of most bachelor degree programs. Students pursuing the A.A. may select courses that satisfy both the A.A. degree requirements and lower division requirements for a bachelor's degree at four-year institutions. The 30 hours of electives within the A.A. allow students to complete additional general education and lower division courses required for specific majors. The A.A. degree requires completion of 60 credit hours; please see [JCCC A.A. degree requirements](#). Meeting with a JCCC counselor is strongly recommended for selection of appropriate courses.

Requirements for Admission for Elementary Education K-6 Majors:

1. Complete the application for admission to Teacher Education.
2. Be recommended for Teacher Education by advisor, Exploration in Education or Transfer Student Module instructor and two college instructors.
3. Meet the basic skills requirement with a minimum ACT composite score of 22 OR CORE Writing 162, Reading 156 and Math 142. (Other basic skills options may be available by petition.)
4. Complete EDUC 261 or equivalent with a minimum grade of "C" and a positive recommendation for continuance from the cooperative school-based teacher.
5. Complete EDUC 345 Transfer Student Module (for students transferring credit for EDUC 161).
6. Complete General Education Core Curriculum with a minimum GPA of 2.80. The Core Curriculum includes: COMM 207, ENGL 101, ENGL 299, MATH 204, BIOL 113, PHYS 171/172, POLS 101, GEOG 106, PSYCH 155, HHP 150 OR HIST 201 OR HIST 202.
7. Have a cumulative GPA of at least a 2.80.
8. Complete a statement of disclosure and background check.
9. Complete electronic portfolio requirements.
10. Complete the teacher candidate interview.
11. Complete the critical learning experience essay.
12. The minimum requirements for graduation include: 126 credit hours; 60 credit hours must be from a four-year school. In addition, a minimum of 45 credit hours must be upper-division and a minimum of 30 hours must be in residence at Pitt State.
13. The Pitt State Pathway requirements consist of 40-41 credit hours of course work. All baccalaureate students must successfully pass these requirements. Courses meeting Pitt State Pathway requirements may also satisfy major, minor, emphasis or program requirements.
14. Suggested courses are bolded below. In addition, please review the Academic Advising Planning Document for details on the Pitt State Pathway rules and requirements.

ACADEMIC ADVISING PLANNING DOCUMENT		
Code	Pittsburg State Course	Hrs
CORE ELEMENTS – 12 hours		
A	ENGL 101 English Composition I	3
A	ENGL 102 English Composition II	3
B	COMM 207 Speech Communication	3
C		3-5
ESSENTIALS STUDIES (not same Prefix as major) 23-24 hours (D to total 3-6 hours/ E to total 9-12 hours/ F to total 4-5 hours/ G to total 4-6 hours)		
D		3
D or E		3
E		3
E		3
E		3
F		4-5
G		1
G		3
H	UGS 150 Gorilla Gateway	2
ELECTIVE (from Core any D, E, F or G course) Can be same prefix as major or repeat prefix used above		3
COMPANION ELEMENTS – Need one of each companion which are identified by the 1, 2, 3, or 4 associated with the Essential Studies letter category		
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It is the STUDENT'S RESPONSIBILITY to check for updates to all transfer information. This transfer guide is provided as a service and is updated as needed. Degree requirements at the four-year colleges are subject to change by those institutions. To ensure you have the most accurate up to date information about the program, it is imperative you meet with an advisor at the transfer institution.

CORE ELEMENTS – 12 hours minimum – Must have a “C” or better in each of these Core Elements:				
Code	Pittsburg State Course	Hrs	JCCC Equivalents	Hrs
Written Communications				
AO	ENGL 101 English Composition	3	ENGL 121 Composition I*	3
AO	ENGL 299 Introduction to Research Writing	3	ENGL 122 Composition II*	3
Verbal Communication				
BO	COMM 207 Speech Communication	3	COMS 121 Public Speaking OR COMS 125 Personal Communication	3
Quantitative/Analytic Methods				
CO	MATH 204 Mathematics for Education I	3	MATH 210 Mathematics for Elementary Teachers I*	3

ESSENTIAL STUDIES/COMPANION ELEMENT – 23-24 hours minimum				
Refer to Academic Advising Planning Document on page 1				
Code	Pittsburg State Course	Hrs	JCCC Equivalents	Hrs
The Human Experience				
D3	ART 311 Art Education	3	No equivalent	--
Human Systems				
E1	EDTH 330 Technology for Teaching & Learning	3	EDUC 224 Technology for Teaching	3
E1	GEOG 106 World Regional Geography	3	GEOS 145 World Regional Geography	3
E1	HIST 201 American History to 1865 OR HIST 202 American History from 1865	3	HIST 140 US History to 1877 OR HIST 141 US History Since 1877	3
E2	POLS 101 U.S. Politics	3	POLS 124 American National Government	3
Natural World				
F4	BIOL 113 Environmental Life Science	4	EVRN 130/131 Environmental Science/Lab*	4
Wellness Strategies				
G0	HHP 150 Lifetime Fitness Concepts	1	HPER 192 Wellness for Life OR HPER 240 Lifetime Fitness I	1
G4	PSYCH 155 General Psychology	3	PSYC 130 Introduction to Psychology	3
Gorilla Gateway				
	UGS 150 Gorilla Gateway	2	Waived for transfer students with 45 credit hours or more	

PATHWAY ELECTIVE - 4 hours				
Code	Pittsburg State Course	Hrs	JCCC Equivalents	Hrs
F4	PHYS 171 Physical Science AND PHYS 172 Physical Science Lab	3 1	PSCI 120 Physical Science	4

MATH REQUIREMENT - 3 hours				
Code	Pittsburg State Course	Hrs	JCCC Equivalents	Hrs
	MATH 304 Mathematics for Education II	3	MATH 212 Math for Elementary Teachers II*	3

The following courses must be completed with a 3.00 GPA or higher and no grade lower than a “C” for admission to Professional Seminar. Must meet the Basic Skills requirement of ACT composite score of 22 or higher to enroll in any EDUC courses with the exception of EDUC 161. Must pass licensing exams as required by Kansas State Department of Education, PLT and Elementary Content, prior to Professional Semester.

EDUCATION, PSYCHOLOGY & LAB EXPERIENCES				
	EDUC 261 Explorations in Education [^]	3	EDUC 121 Introduction to Teaching*	3
	SPED 510 Overview of Special Education	3	EDUC 220 Survey of the Exceptional Child*	3
	EDUC 551 Diversity in the Classroom	3	EDUC 221 Diversity, Equity and Inclusion	3
	EDUC 252 Children’s Literature	3	ENGL 232 Children’s Literature*	3
	EDUC 321 Methods in Creative Expression OR MUSIC 140 Children’s Music	3	No equivalent MUS 124 Basic Music for the Elem. Classroom	-- 2
	PSYCH 263 Developmental Psychology ^{^^}	3	PSYC 218 Human Development*	3

*JCCC course has a prerequisite or corequisite.

[^]EDUC 261 requires an additional 33 hours of field experience outside of class and concurrent enrollment in PSYCH 263 recommended.

^{^^}Concurrent enrollment in EDUC 261 recommended.