

St. Mary's University
BA in Elementary Education Studies Degree Plan– 120 Hours

The maximum credit transferable from a junior college, or any combination of junior colleges, is 66 semester hours.

St. Mary's Core (45 hours)

Requirements	Texas Common Course Equivalency	Hours Required
— First Year Experience	Not required for transfer students accepted with 30 or more credit hours. However, a student may need to take three (3) additional hours of elective credits in order to meet the required hours for this degree.	3
— Freshmen Composition I	ENGL 1301	3
— Literature	ENGL 1302 or any ENGL 23XX Literature course	3
— History	HIST 1301	3
— Social Science	EDUC 2301 and GOVT 2305	6
— Mathematics	MATH 1332 or higher	3
— Natural or Physical Sciences	BIOL 1406 or BIOL 1308	3
— Fine Arts	No equivalent	3
— Foreign Language	Two courses (1411 and 1412) in a language not previously studied or two courses (2311 and 2312) in a language previously studied	6
— Philosophy – Self	PHIL 1301	3
— Philosophy – Ethics	PHIL 2306	3
— Theology	Theology courses from other universities may be transferable with the approval of the Theology Department	3
— Intermediate Theology	Theology courses from other universities may be transferable with the approval of the Theology Department	3

	Texas Common Course Equivalency	Hours Required
Area of Specialization Courses (12 CHRs)		
— ED 3340 – Reading Methods of Teaching Reading	No equivalent	3
— ED 3341 - Reading	No equivalent	3
— EN 3315 – Children's Literature	No equivalent	3
— EN 3300 – Advanced Composition	No equivalent	3
Teacher Certification (27 CHRs)		
— ED – 2301 – The American Elementary School	EDUC 1301	3
— ED 3316 – Child Development and Learning in the School Setting	No equivalent	3
— ED 3321 – Instructional Planning, Assessment and Evaluation	No equivalent	3
— ED 3355 – Educational Technology	No equivalent	3
— ED 4338 – Professional Development Seminar	No equivalent	3
— ED 4630 – Teacher Residency I	No equivalent	6

___	ED 4635 – Teacher Residency II	No equivalent	6
Content Area Courses (30 CHRs)			
___	ES 3301 – Essential Elements of Life-Earth Sciences	No equivalent	3
___	ED 2381 – Elements of Human Performance	No equivalent	3
___	MT 1350 – Essential Elements in Math I	MATH 1350	3
___	MT 1351 – Essential Elements in Math II	MATH 1351	3
___	ED 3300 – Essential Elements of Social Science	No equivalent	3
___	HS 1302 – U.S. History since 1877	HIST 1302	3
___	HS 2321 – World History to 1500	HIST 2321	3
___	ES 1305 – Physical Geography	GEOG 1301	3
___	ES 1300 – General Geology	GEOL 1301 or GEOL 1401 or GEOL 1303 or GEOL 1403	3
Electives (12 CHRs)			6

An elective can be any course taken from any discipline. Students can use these hours to pursue certificates, minors, or second majors.

Total Semester Hours - 120

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