

Teaching, Gr 1-5 (Associate of Science)

The Associate of Science in Teaching (AST) is a transfer degree that prepares students to successfully pass the curriculum of the Baccalaureate of Science in Elementary Education from a Louisiana college/university. The degree provides the opportunity for non-traditional and traditional students who wish to become certified to teach first-through-fifth grade elementary students in Louisiana. BRCC students should consult an advisor for specifics regarding teacher education in the state of Louisiana.

To receive this degree, students must:

- Pass a criminal background check before beginning field experience for both TEAC 2013 and TEAC 2033 classes.
- Complete the AST application/interview process and be accepted to the program.
- Have a cumulative GPA of 2.50 or better in all credit hours to be used towards the degree.
- Obtain a passing score on PRAXIS: Core Academic Skills for Educators in accordance with state guidelines.
- Obtain a passing score on the content knowledge portion of PRAXIS: Elementary Education Content Knowledge Exam in accordance with state guidelines.
- Participate in an exit interview before graduation.
- Complete the coursework listed below.

Program Outcomes. Upon successful completion of the program, the graduate will be able to:

1. Demonstrate effective written and verbal communications skills, mathematical proficiency related to the field, a knowledge of culture and society, and an understanding of the physical and biological world (both in class work and through passing the general and content knowledge tests required for state teacher certification).
2. Demonstrate the ability to analyze major theories of human learning and development, child psychology, culture, diversity, student rights, and exceptionalities.
3. Demonstrate knowledge of professionalism, curriculum, planning, observation, and assessment techniques necessary to be effective in the classroom with students in grades 1-5.

PROGRAM OF STUDY

First Semester		Credit Hours
ENGL 1013	English Composition I	3
MATH 1213	College Algebra	3
BIOL 1013	General Biology I	3
BIOL 1011	General Biology I Lab	1
<i>Choose one:</i>		
ARTS 1023	Introduction to Visual Arts	
MUSC 1013	Music Appreciation	3
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Second Semester		Credit Hours
ENGL 1023	English Composition II	3
MATH 2303	Basic Statistics I	3
BIOL 1023	General Biology II	3

GEOG 2013	Introduction to Geography	3
HIST 1123	World Civilization 1500 to Present	3
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Third Semester		Credit Hours
ENGL 2123	Major British Writers	3
MATH 1673	Elementary Number Structure	3
PHSC 1023	Physical Science I	3
PHSC 1021	Physical Science I Lab	1
TEAC 2013	Teaching and Learning in Diverse Settings I	3
HIST 2013	American History Colonial to 1865	3
		16

Fourth Semester		Credit Hours
ENGL 2173	Major American Writers	3
MATH 1683	Geometry for Elem./Middle School Teachers	3
PHSC 1033	Physical Science II	3
PHSC 1031	Physical Science II Lab	1
TEAC 2033	Teaching and Learning in Diverse Settings II	3
POLI 2013	American Government	3
		16

Total Program Hours **60**

For more information, contact the Division of Liberal Arts at (225) 216-8165.