

# Step-by-step program details

## BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN EDUCATION

### STEP 1 Pre-professional Courses and Drake General Education Courses

- **Elementary Education**  
40 hours of practicum hours
- **Secondary Education**  
40 hours of practicum hours

### STEP 2 Admission to Teacher Education

- Successful completion of pre-professional courses
- Minimum Cumulative GPA of 2.5
- A completed application and two recommendations
- Background check conducted and passed

### STEP 3 Methods Courses

- **Elementary Education**  
23 credit hours including 60 hours of practicum placement
- **Secondary Education**  
9 credit hours including 40 of practicum placement

### STEP 4 Endorsement Courses

- **Elementary Education**  
24 credit hours of endorsement courses on average
- **Secondary Education**  
30 credit hours of endorsement courses on average

### STEP 5 Student Teaching for one semester in the Des Moines Area

### STEP 6 Program Completion Test—edTPA or Praxis II

# Endorsement options

➤ The education degree program can be customized for students to meet their professional goals under the mentorship of faculty who serve as academic advisors

## ELEMENTARY EDUCATION

- Art (25 hrs.)
- Early Childhood (24 hrs.)
- English/Language Arts (26 hrs.)
- French (24 hrs.)
- German (25 hrs.)
- History (24 hrs.)
- Japanese (24 hrs.)
- Mathematics (24 hrs.)
- Reading (24 hrs.)
- Science (28 hrs.)
- Social Studies (24 hrs.)
- Spanish (25 hrs.)
- STEM (39 hrs.)
- Special Education: Instructional Strategist I – Mild and Moderate (25 hrs.)
- Special Education: Instructional Strategist II – BD/LD K-12 (30 hrs.)
- Special Education: Instructional Strategist II - ID K-12 (33 hrs.)
- Theater/Communications (24 hrs.)

## SECONDARY EDUCATION

- All science (46 hrs.)
- All social studies (52 hrs.)
- American Government (30 hrs.)
- American History (30 hrs.)
- Art (25 hrs.)
- Basic Science (31 hrs.)
- Biology (30 hrs.)
- Chemistry (30 hrs.)
- Earth Science (24 hrs.)
- English/Language Arts (36 hrs.)
- French (24 hrs.)
- German (25 hrs.)
- Japanese (24 hrs.)
- Journalism (18 hrs.)
- Mathematics (26 hrs.)
- Physics (24 hrs.)
- Reading (24 hrs.)
- Spanish (25 hrs.)
- Special Education: Instructional Strategist 1 – Mild and Moderate (25 hrs.)
- Special Education: Instructional Strategist II – BD/LD K-12 (30 hrs.)
- Special Education: Instructional Strategist II – ID K-12 (33 hrs.)
- Sociology (24 hrs.)
- Speech/Theater (33 hrs.)
- STEM (40 hrs.)
- World History (24 hrs.)

## K-12 SECOND ENDORSEMENT ONLY

- Coaching K-12 (12 hrs.)
- ESL/ELL K-12 (18 hrs.)
- Talented and Gifted K-12 (12 hrs.)
- Middle School – Need Two:
  - English (28 hrs.)
  - Math (26 hrs.)
  - Science (29 hrs.)
  - Social Studies (24 hrs.)

Students may combine education with many other majors, minors, and concentrations within the university curriculum. For example, students may pursue a concentration in Social Justice, participate in the Honors Program, or add a Business minor.

