City Colleges of Chicago 2015-2016

Fall 2015, Spring 2016, and Summer 2016
Please see the NIU Undergraduate Catalog for specific admission information

Elementary Education Major
Department of Literacy and Elementary Education (LEED)
www.cedu.niu.edu/leed/
815-753-8350

1. Attain an overall cumulative GPA of at least 3.00 on a 4.00 scale (as calculated by NIU), including transfer credit (admission to Elementary Education is competitive). Once admitted to Elementary Education, an NIU cumulative GPA of 2.75 or higher is required for retention in the program.

2. Complete foundational studies requirements in ENGL 103, ENGL 203, and COMS 100 with no grade lower than C at the time of application. Additionally, a C or better (including NIU and transfer grades) must be earned in all of the following required courses by the end of the semester in which they apply. Students may apply with the following courses in progress (enrolled courses, only):

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<th>NIU Courses</th>
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<td>ARTE 383 Teaching Art in Elementary Schools (3) or</td>
<td>MATH 110 College Algebra (3)</td>
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<td>MUED 380 Fundamentals, Principles, and Practices in Elementary Music (3)</td>
<td>MATH 201 Foundations of Elementary School Mathematics (3)</td>
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Contact an NIU Elementary Education advisor for possible course substitutions for ARTE 383 and MUED 360

TLEE 282 Educational Participation in Clinical Experiences: Elementary Education (1) or pass ETRA Skills Competency Exam (0)

4. Two additional social science courses from two distinct areas (Anthropology, Economics, Geography (GEOG 202, GEOG 204, or GEOG 253), Political Science or Sociology)

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<th>Three Science courses from three distinct areas (10-12)</th>
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<td>One of the three sciences courses must include a laboratory: Biology, Chemistry, Geography (excluding GEOG 202, GEOG 204, and GEOG 253), Geology, or Physics</td>
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5. Successful completion of the Illinois Licensure Testing System (ILTS) Test of Academic Proficiency (TAP) or ACT report with acceptable scores for the waiver of the TAP. For more information about the ILTS, click on http://www.illinois.edu/leed/programs/transfer.shtml

6. Students are encouraged to have completed all NIU general education requirements prior to admission in the professional semesters of Elementary Education. This may be accomplished by either completing NIU’s general education courses individually, by completing a baccalaureate-oriented associate of art (A.A.) or associate of science (A.S.) degree, or by completing the Illinois Articulation Initiative (IAI) General Education Core Curriculum (GECC). Please contact your community college counselor for more details.

Program application deadline: March 1 (fall term)
Program application deadline: October 1 (spring term)

Students intending to transfer to NIU should seek academic advisement from their community college counselor.