Prairie State College 2016-2017

Fall 2016, Spring 2017 and Summer 2017
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 2.75 on a 4.00 scale (as calculated by NIU), including transfer credit. 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>
<th>Prairie State Equivalents</th>
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<td>ARTE 383 Teaching Art in Elementary Schools (3) or</td>
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<td>MUED 360 Fundamentals, Principles, and Practices in Elementary Music (3)</td>
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Contact an NIU Elementary Education advisor for possible course substitutions for ARTE 383 and MUED 360

EPTE 201 Education as an Agent for Change (3)  
EPS 300 Educational Psychology (3)  
EPS 304 Development of the Elementary School Child (3)  
ETT 229 Computers in Education (3) or pass ETRA Skills Competency Exam (0)

A competency exam for ETT 229 Computers in Education, is being offered by the Department of Educational Technology, Research, and Assessment. Passing this test would allow the course requirement for admission to Elementary Education to be waived. Registration is required. Contact the ETRA department at: 815-753-9339

HIST 260 American History to 1865 (3)  
HIST 261 American History since 1865 (3)  
KNPE 245 Physical Education for Children (3)  
MATH 110 College Algebra (3)  
MATH 115 Foundations of Elementary School Mathematics (3)  
HIST 201  
HIST 202  
N/A  
MATH 151  
MATH 200 & 206  
PSYC 102 Introduction to Psychology (3)  
SESE 240 Introduction to Special Education (3)  
TLEE 282 Educational Participation in Clinical Experiences: Elementary Education (1)  
Any transferable social science course meeting the identified categories.

2. If two courses are required, both are used for the cumulative GPA calculation for admission and a C or better is required in each course.

3. 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-nesinc.com/

4. A departmental application is required for admission to the major. For an application or information regarding this process, contact an Elementary Education office, 815-753-8350. Applications are available on-line at http://www.cedu.niu.edu/leed/programs/bachelors.shtml

5. 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.

6. Students who have completed the pre-admission requirements may be considered for admission in a specific semester by meeting the following application deadlines:

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