

# Education Concentration

## Degree Type

Associate in Arts

The Education concentration prepares students for transfer to complete their bachelor's degree and become licensed to teach at the middle and high school level. Candidates for middle or high school licensure are required to minor in middle or high school education and major in the subject area they plan to teach.

Students must graduate with a minimum 2.75 GPA and attain a passing score on the Communication and Literacy Skills (CLST) portion of the Massachusetts Tests for Educators Licensure (MTEL) before their planned entrance to the bachelor institution to be accepted directly into an education program.




For students planning to teach in Massachusetts public schools, please refer to the Education Licensure Requirements. Refer to information regarding [Criminal Offender Record Information \(CORI\)](#).

Students who are matriculated and place into developmental math and/or English are required to begin the course sequence in the first semester. Please see an [advisor](#) with questions.

**Learn more about the program and apply at** [Associate in Arts - Education](#)

## Requirements

### First Semester

Item #		Title	Credits
ENL101		English Composition I	3
		Mathematics/Quantitative Reasoning	3-4
COM103		Human Communication	3
PSY101		General Psychology	3
		Elective	3

### Second Semester

Item #	Title	Credits
ENL102	English Composition II	3
	Natural or Physical Science	4
	PSY202 or PSY233	3
	Humanities & Fine Arts	3
	Concentration Elective (Education)	3

### Third Semester

Humanities & Fine Arts: Students should choose a literature or foreign language for this area, depending on the general education requirements of the bachelor institution they plan to attend.

Item #	Title	Credits
	Natural or Physical Science	3-4
	Humanities & Fine Arts	3
	Behavioral & Social Sciences	3
	Concentration Elective (Education)	3
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## Fourth Semester

Item #	Title	Credits
	Concentration Elective (Education)	3
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	Elective (Education)	3
	Elective (Education)	2-3
	<b>Total Credits</b>	<b>60-61</b>

## Transfer Information

A student should work closely with the Transfer Advisor to assure course choices align with the student's transfer and career goals.

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## Career Outlook

Students completing a bachelor's degree in middle or high school education will be required to take the MTEL test in the subject area they plan to teach. After passing this test, they will receive initial licensure and be ready to enter the teaching profession. Students must obtain a master's degree within five years to receive professional licensure. Students will be eligible to teach in public and private schools in grades 5-8 or 8-12 depending on which licensure track they pursue.

This [occupational profile](#) is provided by O\*NET.

See also: [What can I do with this major?](#)

**Note:** The Associate in Arts degree does not indicate a specialized degree in a concentration. Students who complete this concentration will satisfy the requirements of [MassTransfer](#). For additional information pertaining to degree requirements, please refer to [Degree Requirements](#).