

**Illinois State University**  
**McHenry County College Transfer Guide**  
**Elementary Education and Bilingual/Bicultural**  
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The State of Illinois and the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) approve Illinois State University's Elementary Education Teacher Education Program for Kindergarten through 9<sup>th</sup> grade. Degrees offered are the Bachelor of Science or the Bachelor of Science in Education. Bilingual/Bicultural is a sequence in the Elementary Education program.

### **Admission**

- Submit an online application to the Office of Admissions for acceptance into the University and your chosen major. Students should apply to the University one year in advance of the semester they would like to enroll.
- Admission is competitive and selective. Highest admission consideration is granted to transfer students with the strongest academic preparation. Cumulative GPA and progress toward completion of general education and major program degree requirements are the most important factors in admission decisions. The middle 50% GPA range of students admitted: Elementary Education - 3.41-3.77; Bilingual/Bicultural – 2.81–3.30. **For repeat courses, ISU uses the last repeated grade for calculating admission GPA.**
- Priority filing period: Spring (April 1 – August 1), Summer/Fall (September 1 – January 1)
- Transfer students must have an AA or an AS degree.
- Successful completion of the Illinois Test of Basic Skills is recommended prior to enrolling.

### **Professional Studies**

Admittance to Professional Studies is a prerequisite for enrollment in certain courses. Students should work with their ISU academic advisor to apply when requirements have been met. Admission requirements include the following:

- admission to ISU and to the Elementary Education or Bilingual/Bicultural program;
- completion of English 101 (MCC's ENG151) and Communication 110 (MCC's SPE151) with a grade of C or better, with technology proficiencies included in each course;
- evidence of passing the Illinois Basic Skills Test;
- documented evidence of successful experiences with children and youth;
- reflective essay on entry-level dispositions to teach relative to the "Realizing the Democratic Ideal";
- criminal background self-assessment and an Illinois State Police background clearance;
- verification of a negative TB test, to be updated annually thereafter.
- A screening battery and/or interview may be required.

### **General Education**

- The following options satisfy ISU's general education requirements for transfer students:
  - ✓ Illinois Articulation Initiative General Education Core Curriculum (IAI GECC), including a global studies course
  - ✓ An MCC AA or AS degree or a bachelor's degree from a regional accredited institution, including a global studies course
- Students are reminded that satisfying University-wide general education requirements does not ensure that general education requirements for certification have been met. Some programs require specific courses.

## Additional Information

- All Elementary Education majors are required to complete 12 semester hours of science from the areas of Biological Sciences, Chemistry, Geology, and/or Physics. It is recommended that the following be completed before transfer: EDU252, Children's Literature; EDU253, Children with Exceptionalities; ECE120 or PSY251, a Child Development course; a Global Studies course; and the 12 semester hours of science.
- Endorsement** - 18 semester hours is required from one of the following areas: General Science, Social Science, Language Arts, Foreign Language, or Mathematics.
- Maximum hours from a community college** - Up to 70 academic credits may be transferred from a community college.
- Catalog Rule** – A transfer student from an Illinois public community college may choose to meet graduation requirements specified in the ISU catalog in effect at the time the student entered the community college if 1) attendance was not interrupted and 2) transfer to ISU occurred within 9 months of attendance at the community college.
- Students whose goal is Bilingual/Bicultural certification can expect at least 1 additional year at ISU.
- Students must earn a grade of C or better in all coursework required as part of their certification program. This includes all endorsement areas, major courses, and professional education.

The following is a suggested program for students who plan to complete the AS degree at McHenry County College and then transfer to Illinois State University as an Elementary Education or a Bilingual/Bicultural major. (Refer to MCC's AS degree planning sheet or catalog for approved IAI courses.) **Please work with an academic advisor when planning your transfer program.**

MCC AS Degree Requirements			
MCC Courses	Credits	MCC Courses	Credits
<b>Communications (9 SH)</b> _____ ENG151 Composition I (grade of C or better) _____ ENG152 Composition II (grade of C or better) _____ SPE151 Introduction to Speech	3 3 3	<b>Intercultural Studies (3 SH)</b> (satisfies ISU Global Studies-requirement) _____ Select 1 course from following: ART155, 165; ANT151, 170; ENG272, 276; GEG203, 204; HIS165; MUS153; PHI160, 261; PLT251, 261, 281; <b>Bilingual/Bicultural – select HIS165</b>	3
<b>Humanities &amp; Fine Arts (9 SH)</b> _____ IAI Humanities _____ IAI Fine Arts _____ IAI Humanities or Fine Arts	3 3 3	<b>Computer Literacy</b> _____ CIS110 Computer Literacy	2
<b>Physical and Life Sciences (8 SH)</b> _____ IAI Physical Science _____ IAI Life Science	4 4	<b>Electives</b> Options may be selected from courses listed below. Complete number of credits for a total of 60. _____ Science - Select course w/lab from IAI Biological, Chemistry, Geology, or Physics	4
<b>Social &amp; Behavioral Sciences (9 SH)</b> _____ PSY151 Intro to Psychology _____ *PSY251 Child Psychology _____ IAI Social & Behavioral Science (select from following prefixes: ANT, ECO GEG, HIS, PLT, SOC; <b>Bilingual/Bicultural- SOC151</b> )	3 3 3	_____ EDU 252 Children's Literature _____ EDU 253 Children with Exceptionalities _____ EDU 251 (ISU does not require EDU251; however, it gives students good exposure to the profession.) _____ SOC 260 Sociology of Race & Ethnicity ( <b>Bilingual/Bicultural</b> )	3 3 3 3
<b>Mathematics (6 SH)</b> _____ Select one course from the following: MAT150, 170, 202, 245, 255, 171 <b>or</b> 175, 120 <b>or</b> 220 _____ Select one course from the following or an additional course from the list above: MAT161, 165, 201, 253, 260 <b>NOTE:</b> MAT201 & 202 are recommended but not required.	3 3	_____ Additional elective courses - Select with the assistance of your advisor. <b>Credits for AS degree must total 60. ISU will accept 70 transfer credits.</b>	
<b>TOTAL CREDITS REQUIRED</b>			<b>60</b>

\*Both PSY251 and ECE120 will satisfy the ISU requirement, C&I210, Child Growth and Development. If you select ECE120, you also must select another IAI Social & Behavioral Sciences course, in order to satisfy MCC's AS degree requirements. ECE120 will satisfy an AS degree elective requirement, and PSY251 will satisfy an IAI Social & Behavioral Sciences requirement.

**NOTE:** MCC's MAT201 and 202 are recommended; however, they do not satisfy ISU's general education math requirement. The ISU Elementary Education general education math requirement is the University's course, MAT130, for which MCC has no equivalent.

**My MCC Education Plan**

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