The Elementary Education program leads to a Bachelor of Science in Education in Elementary Education, grades one through six. A student must enroll in the emphasis area, Elementary Education (http://catalog.missouri.edu/collegeofeducation/elementaryeducation/bsed-elementary-education-emphasis-elementary-education/) in order to obtain this degree. Coursework focuses on development of the knowledge, skills, and dispositions needed to support teaching and learning in a variety of diverse settings, and includes elementary methods courses designed to support elementary school teaching and learning in all subject areas. Each semester includes extensive experiences in elementary classrooms working with teachers and children, with immediate opportunities to put course ideas into practice. Placements are carefully chosen to represent schools that represent diverse demographics and populations. The culminating Senior Year On-Site Program (SYOSP) is a unique yearlong internship that gives interns the opportunity to experience all facets of the teaching profession. SYOSP is designed to immerse the interns in the life and culture of a school community, and begins with teacher back-to-school meetings and assisting with classroom set-up. Interns are regarded as full-time members of the school faculty and participate in all school events and experiences such as teacher workdays, professional learning communities, and data team meetings. Students will spend a minimum of three full days per week in the schools during the first semester while also completing a full course load that complements the internship. During the second semester, the internship extends to five full days in a single classroom where the SYOSP intern completes the student teaching experience.

Major Program Requirements

Students must complete all university (http://catalog.missouri.edu/academicdegreerequirements/universityrequirements/), general education (http://catalog.missouri.edu/academicdegreerequirements/generaleducation/requirements/) and degree requirements (http://catalog.missouri.edu/collegeofeducation/elementaryeducation/). Please meet with a Mizzou Education Academic Advisor to discuss degree requirements and to create a semester plan.

Teacher Education programs in the College of Education & Human Development are accredited by the Missouri Department of Elementary and Secondary Education (DESE (https://dese.mo.gov/)). Curriculum changes mandated to earn teacher certification may become effective at any point during your academic program. Therefore, it is extremely important that you DO NOT SELF ADVISE.

Semester Plan

The BSEd in Elementary Education has an emphasis area in Elementary Education (http://catalog.missouri.edu/collegeofeducation/elementaryeducation/bsed-elementary-education-emphasis-elementary-education/). Please see the emphasis area page for a semester plan.