



**BACHELOR PLUS PROGRAM INITIAL TEACHER LICENSURE
PROGRAM: MIDDLE CHILDHOOD EDUCATION (4-9) 2025-2026
CATALOG**

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The initial review of all transfer credit associated with this
checksheet is nonbinding and unofficial until the courses have been approved by the Office of Records and
Registration.

EVALUATION FOR (Name): _____ STUDENT ID# _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____ PHONE NUMBER: _____

DEGREE _____ DATE _____ COLLEGE/UNIVERSITY _____ GPA _____

AU ADVISOR: _____ DATE: _____

PLEASE SELECT (X) YOUR TWO CONTENT AREAS: LANGUAGE ARTS MATH SCIENCE SOCIAL STUDIES

PROGRAM CANDIDACY: Admission to teacher education occurs at the completion of the first 12 hours of undergraduate and graduate coursework after having been accepted into the program at AU. Criteria for admission include, but are not limited to, the following: (a) a 3.0 program GPA and (b) qualifying test scores. Students not meeting candidacy requirements will not be allowed to continue *Education Coursework* until these requirements are achieved.

CONTINUED CANDIDACY IN PROGRAM: Candidates are to maintain a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or above. College of Education courses below a C must be repeated.

RECOMMENDATION FOR LICENSURE:

APPLICATION DEADLINE Once a candidate has completed the required coursework for a given program, they must apply for licensure within one year in order to be recommended by Ashland University.

REQUIRED TESTS: The following licensure test(s) must be passed before AU will recommend a candidate to the Ohio Department of Education (ODE) for this license. This list is subject to change by the ODE.
Ohio Assessment for Educators (OAE) Tests:

All Take: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• <i>Assessment of Professional Knowledge 4-9 (002)</i>• <i>Foundations of Reading (190)</i>	Depending Upon Licensure Area (Select Two): <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Language Arts & Reading: <i>Middle Grades English Language Arts (028)</i>• Mathematics: <i>Middle Grades Mathematics (030)</i>• Science: <i>Middle Grades Science (029)</i>• Social Studies: <i>Middle Grades Social Studies (031)</i>
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TRANSFER POLICY:

- Up to 12 semester hours of transfer coursework may be applied to the *Education Coursework* on the following page.
- **Required Education Coursework:**
 - All undergraduate and graduate coursework transferred in for the *Education Coursework* must have been completed within 10 years of beginning the program. EDCI 232/505 or equivalent must have been completed within 5 years.
 - Undergraduate education courses must have a grade of C or above and graduate courses must have a grade of B or above to qualify for transfer.
- **Required Content-Area Coursework:** Individual departments determine appropriate age of courses; undergraduate courses must have a grade of C or above and graduate courses a grade of B or above to be transferred to AU.
- Course syllabi may be required for transfer credit.
- Official transcripts from originating accredited institution(s) are required.
- After entering the program, all courses taken at other accredited institutions must be approved prior to enrolling in the course(s). The *Transient Student Form* must be completed and approved by the Office of Records and Registration. No transfer credit will be given until an official transcript from the originating accredited institution has been submitted to Ashland University.

REQUIRED EDUCATION COURSEWORK:

NUMBER	TITLE	HRS	If transferred, list course number, title, institution name, and grade
EDFN 586	EFFECTIVE INSTRUCTION	3	
EDIS 546	INTRODUCTION TO EDUCATIONAL INTERVENTION	3	
EDFN 512	TEACHING AND LEARNING PROCESS	3	
READ 520	PHONOLOGICAL AWARENESS /PHONICS	3	
READ 510	FOUNDATIONS OF LITERACY**	3	
PSYC 218	PSYCHOLOGY OF ADOLESCENCE	3	
READ 550	CONTENT AREA LITERACY **	3	
EDCI 564	READING & WRITING METHODS FOR MIDDLE GRADES STUDENTS**		3
EDCI 597	MIDDLE GRADES PHILOSOPHY, ORGANIZATION & CLIMATE		3

ALL BELOW BLOCKED COURSE CREDITS MUST BE RECEIVED FROM ASHLAND UNIVERSITY:

EDCI 505	INSTRUCTIONAL DESIGN & ED. TECH. FOR TEAMING	3	
EDFN 587	MULTICULTURAL FIELD EXPERIENCE <i>blocked with EDCI 505</i>	3	

ALL BELOW BLOCKED COURSE CREDITS MUST BE RECEIVED FROM ASHLAND UNIVERSITY:

SELECT TWO OF THE FOLLOWING METHODS CLASSES APPROPRIATE TO YOUR CONCENTRATIONS AND ENROLL IN THEM DURING THE SAME SEMESTER AS EDFN 588:

EDCI 517	TEACHING THE 21 ST CENTURY ADOLESCENT: MATHEMATICS OR	3	
EDCI 518	TEACHING THE 21 ST CENTURY ADOLESCENT: SCIENCE OR	3	
EDCI 519	TEACHING THE 21 ST CENTURY ADOLESCENT: SOCIAL STUDIES OR	3	
EDCI 563	ADVANCED STUDIES IN THE LANGUAGE ARTS	3	

AND ALL TAKE:

EDFN 588	ASSESSMENT, INSTRUCTION, EVALUATION & INTERVENTION	3	
	FIELD EXPERIENCE <i>blocked with above Methods Class</i>		

ALL BELOW BLOCKED COURSE CREDITS MUST BE RECEIVED FROM ASHLAND UNIVERSITY:

EDFN 520	SOCIAL & PROFESSIONAL ISSUES	2	
EDCI 601	INTERNSHIP FOR MIDDLE CHILDHOOD		<u>10</u>

TOTAL HOURS OF REQUIRED EDUCATION COURSEWORK:

54

ADDITIONAL CONTENT-AREA COURSEWORK: To meet program requirements, students must also complete specified content-area coursework with the above Education Coursework. See the following pages for content courses required by the College of Arts and Sciences for a given licensure program. Note that different age and credit-hour limits on transfer courses may be listed by the specific department(s) in which the licensure content is offered.

****Meets Reading requirements for Ohio standards.**

DEPARTMENT CHAIR SIGNATURE (IF APPLICABLE): _____ DATE: _____

TRANSCRIPT EVALUATOR'S SIGNATURE: _____ DATE: _____

SEE FOLLOWING PAGES FOR ADDITIONAL REQUIRED CONTENT-AREA COURSEWORK. HOURS VARY BY CONCENTRATION AREA.

REQUIRED CONTENT-AREA COURSEWORK FOR THE MIDDLE CHILDHOOD LICENSURE PROGRAM: SELECT TWO OF THE FOLLOWING FOUR CONCENTRATIONS

If transferred, list institution name, course number, title, year, semester, grade

NUMBER	TITLE	HRS	
LANGUAGE ARTS CONCENTRATION			
ENG 101	ENGLISH COMPOSITION I (prereq. ENG 100 OR Equiv.)	3	_____
ENG 102	ENGLISH COMPOSITION II (prereq. ENG 101)	3	_____
COM 101	HUMAN COMMUNICATION	3	_____
ENG 417	ENGLISH GRAMMAR & USAGE (prereq. ENG 102)	3	_____
Select ONE GENRE FOCUS course from the following (put X beside selection):		3	
____ ENG 304 (3) SHORT STORY (prereq. ENG 102)			_____
____ ENG 308 (3) THE POEM (prereq. ENG 102)			_____
Select ONE DIVERSITY/GLOBAL FOCUS course from the following (put X beside selection):		3	
____ ENG 309 (3) AFRICAN AMERICAN LITERATURE (prereq. ENG 102)			_____
____ ENG 314 (3) LITERATURE AND GENDER (prereq. ENG 102)			_____
____ ENG 316 (3) POSTCOLONIAL LITERATURE (prereq. ENG 102)			_____
____ ENG 330 (3) AFRICAN LITERATURE (prereq. ENG 102)			_____
____ ENG 340 (3) READINGS IN JEWISH LITERATURE (prereq. ENG 102)			_____
Select ONE AMERICAN FOCUS course from the following (put X beside selection):		3	
____ ENG 426 (3) AMERICAN LITERATURE II (prereq. ENG 102)			_____
____ ENG 427 (3) AMERICAN LITERATURE III (prereq. ENG 102)			_____
____ ENG 428 (3) AMERICAN LITERATURE IV (prereq. ENG 102)			_____
Select ONE FILM FOCUS ELECTIVE course from the following (put X beside selection):		3	
____ ENG 371 (3) LITERATURE & FILM (prereq. ENG 102)			_____
____ ENG 332 (3) GLOBAL FILM (prereq. ENG 102)			_____
TOTAL HOURS OF ENGLISH/LANGUAGE ARTS CONTENT		24	
MATH CONCENTRATION			
MATH 108	INTRODUCTORY STATISTICS (prereq. MATH 100 or MATH ACT 18 or MATH SAT 480)	3	_____
MATH 201	APPLIED CALCULUS I (2 yr. HS Alg. 1 yr. HS Geom.)	3	_____
MATH 202	APPLIED CALCULUS II (MATH 201)	3	_____

MATH 217	THEORY OF ARITHMETIC AND GEOMETRY (<i>prereq. MATH 100 or MATH ACT 18 or MATH SAT 480</i>)	3	
MATH 218	GEOMETRY FOR MIDDLE GRADES TEACHERS (<i>prereq. MATH 217</i>)	3	
MATH 223	DISCRETE MATHEMATICS I (<i>prereq. 3 yrs. HS college prep. Math</i>)	3	
Select TWO ELECTIVES from the following (put X beside selection):		6-7	
____ CS 101 (3) LOGIC AND COMPUTING (<i>2 yrs. HS Algebra</i>)			
____ MATH 224 (3) DISCRETE MATH II (<i>Prereq. MATH 223</i>)			
____ MATH 309 (3) HISTORY OF MATHEMATICS (<i>prereq. MATH 223, and MATH 202 or 206</i>)			
____ PHYS 201 (4) GENERAL PHYSICS I (<i>prereq. HS Algebra & Geometry</i>)			
TOTAL HOURS OF MATH CONTENT		24-25	
____ SCIENCE CONCENTRATION			
BIO 201	THE MOLECULAR AND CELLULAR BASIS OF LIFE	4	
BIO 202	ORGANISMS, ADAPTATION, AND DIVERSITY	4	
CHEM 103	GENERAL CHEMISTRY (<i>prereq. HS Chem. 3 yrs. HS Math</i>)	4	
GEOL 101	PHYSICAL GEOLOGY	4	
PHYS 201	GENERAL PHYSICS I (<i>HS Algebra & Geom.</i>)	4	
Select ONE course from the following (put X beside selection):		3-4	
____ GEOL 102 (4) HISTORICAL GEOLOGY			
____ GEOL 210 (3) NATURAL DISASTERS: SEVERE WEATHER			
____ PHYS 107 (3) HIDDEN LIFE OF STARS (<i>HS Trig. & Geom.</i>)			
____ PHYS 202 (4) GENERAL PHYSICS II (<i>prereq. PHYS 201</i>)			
____ PHYS 320 (3) ORIGINS OF UNIVERSE (<i>HS Trig. & Algebra</i>)			
TOTAL HOURS OF SCIENCE CONTENT		23-24	
____ SOCIAL STUDIES CONCENTRATION			
HIST 112 or 113	WESTERN CIVILIZATION	3	
HIST 212 or 213	AMERICAN HISTORY THROUGH OR AFTER THE CIVIL WAR	3	
HIST 239	HISTORY OF OHIO	3	
HIST 301	CULTURAL GEOGRAPHY	3	
POLSC 102	DEMOCRACY IN AMERICA	3	
SOC 301	RACE, ETHNIC & MINORITY ISSUES	3	
Select one NON-WESTERN course from the following (put X beside choice):		3	
____ HIST 327 (3) AFRICA			
____ HIST 329 (3) LATIN AMERICA			
____ HIST 341 (3) MODERN MIDDLE EAST			
____ HIST 343 (3) MODERN EAST ASIA			
____ REL 107 (3) EXPLORING WORLD RELIGION			
Select one ECONOMICS course from the following (put X beside choice):		3	
____ ECON 101 (3) MARKET FUNDAMENTALS			
____ ECON 233 (3) PRINCIPLES OF MACROECONOMICS			
TOTAL HOURS OF SOCIAL STUDIES CONTENT		24	

IMPORTANT NOTES:

- Program Checksheets completed prior to an individual's acceptance to the university are nonbinding and unofficial. The student's Program Checksheet is simply a list of the required courses for the degree or licensure. If the individual's application to the university is not submitted and approved within one semester of the date on the Checksheet, or the requirements for a given program have changed, they will be required to sign a new Program Checksheet. It is the student's responsibility to notify the university should they change from one degree, licensure, or endorsement program to another or add an additional program.
- It is the student's responsibility to submit all appropriate transcripts required for transfer credit. This should be completed within the first semester. Transfer credit noted on a Program Checksheet is not official until it has been reviewed and approved by the Office of Records and Registration. The student needs to monitor the status of his or her transfer credit.
- Students are to contact the Financial Aid Office when a change in the program occurs. Changes may result in an increase in the number of hours required to complete a program and may result in potential changes in financial obligations due to a change in the academic program.

Admission to Fields Tests and Pathways:

Before admission to the first field at Ashland University, students must satisfactorily complete the following College of Education Tests or Academic Pathways for Reading, Writing, and Math.

Test preparation and registration information is on the next page.

Reading - One of the following:

1. ACT minimum score Reading: 20
2. SAT minimum score of Critical Reading: 490 (pre 3/16/2021) or 530 (post 3/16/2021)
3. Praxis Core minimum score of Reading: 156, test code 5712, or 5713 (identical tests)**
4. Reading Pathway*: An Accuplacer Reading minimum score of 263. And a minimum grade of B in Historical Reasoning (112, 113, 212, 213), Humanities (page 158), or Religion Core (106, 107, 109). AYA Integrated Language Arts or Middle Grades Language Arts majors are not eligible for the Reading Pathway. All other licenses are eligible.

Writing – One of the following:

1. ACT minimum score of English: 19
2. SAT minimum score of Critical Reading: 490 (pre 3/16/2021) or 530 (post 3/16/2021)
3. Praxis Core minimum score of Writing: 162, test code 5722, or 5723 (identical tests)**
4. Writing Pathway*: A minimum grade of B in English 101, English 102, or equivalent. AYA Integrated Language Arts and Middle Grades Language Arts majors are not eligible for the Writing Pathway. All other licenses are eligible.

Math – One of the following:

1. ACT minimum score of Math 18
2. SAT minimum score of Math 500 (pre 3/16/2021) or 520 (post 3/16/2021)
3. Praxis Core minimum score of Math 152, test code 5732, or 5733** (5732 has more Geometry, 5733 has more Statistics)
4. Math Pathway*: A minimum grade of B in any course with a MATH prefix of 108 or above. AYA Integrated Mathematics and Middle Grades Mathematics majors are not eligible for the Math Pathway. All other licenses are eligible.

Pathway Notes***:	<i>To be filled in by COE transcript evaluator only</i>
Reading:	
Writing:	
Mathematics:	

*All Pathway courses must have been taken within ten years of admission to AU Teacher Education.

** The combined test codes are 5751 or 5752. These codes are for all three tests taken together, the scores are the same as above. Retake only the individual tests that are not passed.

***Bachelor's Plus students Pathways are part of the admission process.

ACT/SAT/Praxis Core test scores should be submitted directly to Ashland University or the student must provide an official copy of test scores to the appropriate office.

Students must have been accepted as candidates in the program prior to registering for a field experience.

Test Preparation and Registration Information:

1) Praxis Cores Tests:

- a) Preparation
 - i) <https://www.ets.org/praxis/register/how>
 - ii) **Note that the complete purpose of a practice test is to see if you can identify the topics and anticipate if you will be able to answer a number of additional questions about the topic correctly. The purpose of a practice test is not to just see if you can get the questions correct.**
 - iii) The ETS site has excellent Kahn test preparation material for all three tests.
 - iv) The aleks.com website also has very good math preparation material. Follow these steps:
 - (1) Aleks.com
 - (2) Select Independent Use in the lower right corner
 - (3) Select Buy Aleks Now
 - (4) Select again Buy Aleks Now
 - (5) Under Market select Higher Education Math
 - (6) Under course select Pre-Algebra
 - (7) Then follow the instructions.
 - v) Additional practice problems for all of the tests include: ACT, SAT, and Praxis I.
- b) Registration
 - i) Registration is easy: <https://www.ets.org/praxis/register/how>
 - ii) Home proctoring is available, but is not working very well.
 - iii) **When registering for a test select Register Now. Do NOT select State Testing Requirements.**
 - iv) The tests cost \$90 each or \$150 for all three
 - v) **Note that if you register for all three tests during a single internet event, you will save about \$120.**

2) Accuplacer Tests

- a) Preparation:
- b) Test Preparation: <https://accuplacer.collegeboard.org/students/prepare-for-accuplacer/practice>
- c) The Accuplacer Reading test may only be repeated after 30 days from the previous administration.
- d) Scores/Registration:
 - i) If your Accuplacer test was previously taken, **request that your advisor send test scores to:**
Jane Bauer, Coordinator of Blackboard & Data Analytics, Schar College of Education jbauer7@ashland.edu
 - ii) If you have not taken the Accuplacer Reading test you may schedule an appointment at the LCCC Testing & Assessment Center, 440.366.7773 or 440.366.7654 or schedule on line: testingcenter@lorainccc.edu.
Request that the LCCC test center send your scores to the same email address as above.
Main campus students see number 4 below.

3) ACT/SAT/Praxis Core test scores should be submitted directly to Ashland University Registrar, or students must send a copy of the official test scores to the same email address as above.

4) Ashland University, Main Campus Test Center

The [Test Center on the main campus](#) is now open. The center provides the Accuplacer test, but not the Praxis Core or ACT tests. The Center also provides the OAE tests.

I have reviewed all pages of this document with the individual requesting this Program Checksheet.