

Lynch School of Education
Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education

Requirements for Undergraduates

ELEMENTARY EDUCATION Majors
who are applying for teacher certification
after October, 2003

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According to the *Regulations for Educator Licensure and Preparation Program Approval*, established by the Massachusetts Department of Elementary and Secondary Education, all students majoring in **Elementary Education** are required to complete specific coursework in the following areas: *Bilingual Education, History, Mathematics, and Science*. ALL Lynch School Elementary majors in the Classes 2014 and beyond **MUST** fulfill the following requirements:

**Massachusetts DESE Requirements for BILINGUAL
EDUCATION, SCIENCE and MATHEMATICS**

- **Bilingual Education** - the Massachusetts Department Education has passed regulations requiring that all Elementary teacher candidates earn a Sheltered English Immersion (SEI) Teacher Endorsement. **EDUC6346, *Teaching Bilingual Students***, is required. Students generally enroll in this course in the junior or senior year.
- **Science Core** – Out of the two Science core courses required, one science course must include a lab (**4 credits**). Any core science course is acceptable. The following courses are recommended: *The Living Earth I or II*, **EESC1180/181** and **EESC1182/183**. Examples of Science departments offering core (3 credits) courses include: **Biology (BIOL), Chemistry (CHEM), Geology (EESC), Physics (PHYS)**
- **Math Core** – **MATH1190, *Fundamentals of Math*** - Students are **required** to register for this (3 credits) Math course. Students who have received AP or IB credit should seek advisement from the Lynch School Office for Undergraduate Student Services before registering for Math.

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Massachusetts DESE REQUIREMENT for HISTORY

Students must take two sequential courses (6 credits total) to complete the university's History core. Those who have not yet completed their History core, have **options** as listed below.

1. Students, who are Elementary Education/History majors, **automatically** meet the state's licensure requirement for History, but they must also complete the university History core.
2. Options for non-History majors:
 - a. Complete any Part 1 History Core course and Part II of any History Core course.
 - b. If a student receives Advanced Placement in American History, the licensure requirement is fulfilled.

Students who have received AP credit or who have already completed any of the requirements mentioned, should contact The Office for Undergraduate Students, Campion Hall 104.

Students who have questions or concerns should contact:

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