

**First Semester Blueprint
Department of Education**

When planning your first semester...

- Students should register for a minimum of 12 credits and no more than 16.
- All First-Year students are required to take First Year Seminar their first term. This is a required writing course, and each section focuses on a different topic for students to explore.
- **QuEST** (Qualities Essential for Student Transformation) courses are Messiah University's general education program completed by all students. Specific recommendations for your first semester are included on the blueprint.
- Students who have earned AP, CLEP, or IB credit should refer to the information provided here: [AP, CLEP, IB Credit](#).
- You can view the most up-to-date version of the schedule of classes by accessing [The View](#).

The First Semester Blueprint is your guide to course registration in your first semester. Click on your major to view the recommended courses (developed by your faculty) for your first semester at Messiah:

[Education with Teaching Certification in Grades PreK-4 \(B.S.\)](#)

[Education with Teaching Certification in Grades 4-8 \(B.S.\)](#)

[Education with Dual Teaching Certification in Grades PreK-4 and Special Education \(B.S.\)](#)

[Education with Dual Teaching Certification PreK-4 and Special Education N-12 \(B.S.\)](#)

Education with Teaching Certification in Grades PreK-4 (B.S.), Education with Dual Teaching Certification PreK-4 and Special Education N-12 (B.S.), Education with Dual Teaching Certification PreK-4 and Special Education (B.S.)

Students MUST register for the following courses:		<u>Credits</u>
IDFY 101	First Year Seminar AND	3
ONE of the following sets of courses:		
BIOL 106*	Life Sciences AND	3
BIOL 106L	Lab: Life Sciences	0
*There are reserved seats for your major in BIOL 106. See The View for CRN (CRN required to register for BIOL 106. Follow registration instructions (page 6) to add courses to your schedule by CRN		
OR		
PHSC 102	Foundations of Physical Science AND	3
PHSC 102L	Lab: Foundations of Physical Science	0
Students SHOULD register for ONE of the following courses:		
COMM 105	Fundamentals of Oral Communication	3
OR		
HIST 141	U.S. History Survey to 1865 AND	3
HIST 141S	Seminar: U.S. History Survey to 1865	0
Language Course (CHIN, FREN, GERM, SPAN)		
Students may CONSIDER registering for:		
WELL 1XX	Wellness Course	1

Select from the following QuEST options to complete your schedule:		<u>Credits</u>
Mathematical Science**	QuEST/GenEd: Math	3
ENGL 160	Introduction to World Literature	3

Recommended total credits your first semester:	12-16 credits
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**Search [The View](#) by attribute type(s) noted above

Specific major-related questions may be directed to Dr. Tina Keller, Department Chair Education, tkeller@messiah.edu, or 717-796-1800 ext. 7091.

Education with Teaching Certification in Grades 4-8 (B.S.)

Students MUST register for the following courses:		<u>Credits</u>
IDFY 101	First Year Seminar AND	3
ONE of the following sets of courses:		
BIOL 106*	Life Sciences AND	3
BIOL 106L	Lab: Life Sciences	0
*There are reserved seats for your major in BIOL 106. See The View for CRN (CRN required to register for BIOL 106. Follow registration instructions (page 6) to add courses to your schedule by CRN		
OR		
PHSC 102	Foundations of Physical Science AND	3
PHSC 102L	Lab: Foundations of Physical Science	0
Students SHOULD register for the following courses:		
COMM 105	Fundamentals of Oral Communication AND	3
ONE of the following:		
MATH 102	The Mathematics of Growth OR	3
MATH 108	Intuitive Calculus with Applications	3
OR the following combination:		
MATH 111 ¹	Calculus I AND	4
MATH 111L	Lab: Calculus I AND	0
MATH 103	Supplemental Calculus I	1
Please review the Guidelines for Calculus Courses		
Students may CONSIDER registering for:		
Language Course	(CHIN, FREN, GERM, SPAN)	3

Select from the following QuEST options to complete your schedule:		<u>Credits</u>
Mathematical Science**	QuEST/GenEd: Math	3
U.S. History**	QuEST/GenEd: U.S. History	3

Recommended total credits your first semester:	12-16 credits
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¹ MATH 111/111L is intended to be an in-person course for residential and commuter students. Students are advised **NOT** to register for the online asynchronous section of MATH 111/111L (CRNs 1615/1619). These sections are intended for dual-enroll students who are not residential.