When planning your first semester...

- Most students register for a total of 14 to 16 credits.
- 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:

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**ONE** of the following sets of courses:

- **BIOL 106** Life Sciences **AND** (there are reserved seats for your major in this course. See The View for CRN (CRN required to register for BIOL 106))
- **BIOL 106L** Lab: Life Sciences (*must register for section 01 or 02 of lab)

**OR**

- **PHSC 102** Foundations of Physical Science **AND**
- **PHSC 102L** Lab: Foundations of Physical Science

Students **SHOULD** register for **ONE** of the following courses:

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**OR**

- **HIST 141** U.S. History Survey to 1865 **AND**
- **HIST 141S** Seminar: U.S. History Survey to 1865

Students may **CONSIDER** registering for:

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**Subtotal: 6-13 credits**

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**Total credits your first semester:** 15-16 credits

**Search The View** by attribute type(s) noted above

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

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- **ONE** of the following sets of courses:
  - BIOL 106 Life Sciences [AND](#) (there are reserved seats for your major in this course. See [The View](#) for CRN required to register for BIOL 106)
  - BIOL 106L* Lab: Life Sciences (*must register for section 01 or 02 of lab) 0
  - 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 Calculus I [AND](#) 4
  - MATH 111L Lab: Calculus I [AND](#) 0
  - MATH 103 Supplemental Calculus I 1

**Students may CONSIDER** registering for:

- Language Course (SPAN, FREN, GERM, CHIN) 3

**Subtotal: 6-17 credits**

**Select** from the following [QuEST](#) options to complete your schedule:

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**Total credits your first semester:** 14-16 credits

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