Degree: Master of Arts in Education
Licensure Area: Elementary Education (PreK-6)
Program Area Leaders: Dr. Donna Fortune ● donnafortune@vt.edu

Applications Due: Admission is considered rolling. However, applications will be clustered for interviews at the end of October and of January, and as needed afterward.

Applying: A minimum GPA of 3.0 in last 60 hours is required (may provisionally consider lower). Prospective students apply to the non-thesis program online through the **Graduate School.** Additional items are submitted directly to the School of Education. Eligible applicants will be scheduled for an interview. The Elementary Education program offers two regular options and requires that applicants note their option at the time of application. Both options begin Summer II, lead to the same degree, and require the same coursework.
Completing the program in 12 months, instead of 10, does not delay your degree/license, nor does it prevent you from applying for jobs to begin in the upcoming fall.

- Option 1 is a full-time **twelve-month** program for students who need to complete EDCI 5554 (Exceptional Learners) and EDEP 5154 (Ed Psych for Teachers). These **must be** completed in Summer I prior to the start of the program in Summer II or they can be taken in Summer I after completing the program.

- Option 2 is a full-time **ten-month** program that begins in Summer II, and for students who have completed both EDCI 5554 and EDEP 5154. **Dual/Accelerated status is NOT required for this option.**

Bachelor's Degree: Any undergraduate major; with specific general education courses (see checksheet below)

 Teacher Assessments:

1. Virginia Communication and Literacy Assessment (VCLA) *pass prior to applying*
2. Praxis Subject Assessment: Elementary Education Multiple Subjects (5001) *attempt prior to applying*
3. The Praxis Series: Teaching Reading: Elementary (5205) **take in grad school**

Additional Test Information; *including study materials, costs, and registration*

- VCLA - www.va.nesinc.com
- Praxis Subject Assessment[1] and Praxis Reading - www.ets.org/praxis/va

Prior Experience: Minimum of 100 documented hours in a supervised position working with 3-14 year-olds during the five years prior to applying. Parenting/Babysitting/Nannying does not count. Can be paid or volunteer hours. Documentation must be signed or initialed by the supervising authority. (Please include total hours on signature page for each documentation).

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[1] Effective dates for Paxis Subject Assessment Test and Scores: July 1st, 2015; for earlier scores, contact Dr. Donna Fortune

Student: _____

VDOE ENDORSEMENT REQUIREMENTS FOR ELEMENTARY EDUCATION (PREK-6)

Endorsement Courses: Students who wish to obtain licensure eligibility for elementary education (prek-6) are expected to complete endorsement requirements prior to beginning the MAEd. Program. Courses in-progress or planned are acceptable at the time of application. Substitutions will be considered on a case by case basis and must cover similar content. A syllabus will be required for non-VT substitutions and courses not listed in VT transcript.
This list is for students entering the MAEd. Program 2023 or later

VDOE (Virginia Department of Education)

Content	Required / Preferred Courses	Course or Substitution Completed	VT Course[2]?
English 6cr	ENGL 1105 First-Year Writing		
	ENGL 1106 First Year Writing		
Math 6cr	MATH 1614 Numbers and Operations for Teachers		
	MATH 1624 Geometry for Teachers		
Science 9cr	ISC 1005 Integrated Science Reasoning		
	ISC 1006 Integrated Science Reasoning		
History & SS 9 – 12cr	HIST 1115 History of the United States		
	HIST 1116 History of the United States		
	GEOG 1014 World Regions *or* GEOG 1004 Introduction to Human Geography		
	ECON 2005 *or* VCEE Economics Module PKS		
Child Development	HD 1004 Human Development I *or* PSYC 2034 Developmental Psychology		
Grad (optional)	Exceptional Learners: EDCI 5554		
	Psych Foundation: EDEP 5154		

GPA: _____

VCLA Combined Score: _____

Reading Subscore: _____

Writing Subscore: _____

Praxis Subject Assessment Scores:

Language Arts Subscore: _____

Mathematics Subscore: _____

Science Subscore: _____

Social Studies Subscore: _____

SAT/ACT Scores will be collected from the Virginia Tech registrar at the time of application.
Non-VT students will need to provide scores with application.

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[2] Students using non-VT courses (without VT equivalent will need to provide syllabi for review)

Elementary Education Licensure Program Application
(VT Students)

Name: _____ Date: _____

e-mail: _____ Student ID (last 4 digits only) _____

Local Address: _____ Local Phone: _____

Home Address: _____ Home Phone: _____

Graduation Date: _____ Major: _____ Minor(s): _____

Application Checklist:

Submit with online Graduate School application

You may need to upload these to the online application under additional education documents

- ❍ Three (3) recommendation letters
- ❍ Test scores – VCLA
- ❍ Test scores Praxis Core Subject
- ❍ Transcripts (official of non-VT student)

- ❍ Program/content checklist (this document)
- ❍ Essay (prompt listed below)
- ❍ Experience Documentation (100 hours minimum)
- ❍ Personal Statement

Essay Prompt (School of Education Requirement)

Write a 3-4 double-spaced pages essay, following the prompt: "Reflecting on your experiences in working with children, what have you learned from them that will have an impact on your teaching?"

Personal Statement (Graduate School Requirement)

Write a one- page double spaced statement explaining why you selected the Virginia Tech Elem Education program.

Program Option

- ❍ **Option 1** (12 months): *Which courses to be completed in Summer 1 prior to grad program or Summer 1 after grade program? ☐ EDCI 5554 ☐ EDEP 5154*
- ❍ **Option 2** (10 months): *Must have completed EDCI 5554 and EDEP 5154 prior to beginning 2nd summer session.*

Additional Comments

Signature of Applicant: _____