

Southern Oregon University / Southwestern Oregon Community College Partnership



Become a Teacher!

Southern Oregon University and Southwestern Oregon Community College provide a pathway for students in the central Oregon coastal areas to earn an elementary teaching license and bachelor degree in Education Studies. There are options available for those who already have a bachelor's degree as well. The partnership allows for all required fieldwork and the majority of academic coursework to be completed in Coos Bay and other nearby communities.



Elementary Education Degree with Teaching License

Years One and Two

Southwestern Oregon Community College

Two years of general education courses providing the foundation for teaching multiple subjects. These courses include such content as History, Literature, Science, Writing, and Math.

Years Three - Five

Southwestern Oregon Community College

Courses specific to teaching such as Math for Young Children, Children's Literature, Working with Exceptional Children, Music and Art Methods, and volunteering in area schools.

Southern Oregon University

Teacher preparation courses taken as a hybrid with three weeks online and one Saturday a month face-to-face in Medford at the Higher Education Center or the Ashland SOU campus.



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Elementary Education Degree

Years One and Two

Southwestern Oregon Community College

Two years of general education courses providing the foundation for teaching multiple subjects. These courses include such content as History, Literature, Science, Writing, and Math.

Years Three and Four

Southwestern Oregon Community College

Courses specific to teaching such as Math for Young Children, Children's Literature, Working with Exceptional Children, Music and Art Methods, and volunteering in area schools.

Southern Oregon University

Upper division education courses taken online. Capstone and Professional Portfolio courses taken as a hybrid with three weeks online and one Saturday a month face-to-face in Medford at the Higher Education Center or the Ashland campus.

Elementary Education Degree w/ Early Childhood Development minor

Years One and Two

Southwestern Oregon Community College

Two years of general education courses providing the foundation for teaching multiple subjects. These courses include such content as History, Literature, Science, Writing, and Math.

Years Three and Four

Southwestern Oregon Community College

Courses specific to teaching such as Math for Young Children, Children's Literature, Working with Exceptional Children, Music and Art Methods, and volunteering in area schools.

Southern Oregon University

Upper division education courses with an emphasis in early childhood education taken online. Capstone and Professional Portfolio courses taken as a hybrid with three weeks online and one Saturday a month face-to-face in Medford at the Higher Education Center or the Ashland campus.

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