Program Description: The Education curriculum was developed to meet the needs of current and prospective students interested in transferring to a four-year institution for the purpose of receiving a PA Public School Teacher's Certification. Areas of certification include ECE, elementary, secondary, special education, or any combination of any of these two majors. Among colleges and universities there are variances within the first two years at some schools contingent upon the area of PA Public School Certification pursued. Additionally, each of these areas of certification involves different course selections. All of these conditions necessitate working closely with a transfer counselor in the Career and Counseling Center to ensure a seamless transfer process to a four-year institution.

Program Outcomes:
Upon successful completion of this program, students should be able to:

- Comprehend the practical aspects of education, including governance, politics, funding, law, psychology, and philosophical and social effects.
- Understand the diversity of students and student needs (educational, social, cultural, behavioral, and academic) and the responsibility of a classroom teacher to meet these needs.
- Develop the ability to evaluate, analyze, and synthesize ideas from a variety of sources and formulate a preventative model of classroom management.
- Identify various elements, methods, and resources of effective teaching and learning and utilize them in planning instruction.
- Understand the role that assessment plays in instruction.
- Evaluate appropriate resources to plan instruction based on students' needs.
- Develop an understanding of teaching as a career choice, including job requirements, responsibilities, advantages, and disadvantages.

Semester by Semester Plan:

**Semester 1:**
ENG 100
PSY 140
EDU 200 - deactivated
Math Elective
Open Elective

**Semester 2:**
ENG 112
HIS 110
Math Elective
Humanities Elective
Open Elective
Semester 3:
EDU 206
PSY 235
Lab/Science Elective
Social Science Elective
Education/Open Elective

Semester 4:
English/American Literature Elective
Natural Science Elective
Public Speaking
Open Elective
Education/Open Elective

Total Credits: 61-62

Notes:
Math, Social Science and Public Speaking requirements vary considerably among transfer institutions. Students should contact the Transfer Office located in the Career and Counseling Center regarding appropriate course for the Transfer Institution.

Students expecting to enroll in a four-year Pennsylvania Teacher Education program should be aware of current PRAXIS exam requirements. Information may be obtained from the Career and Counseling Center. This curriculum is designed for students transferring to a four year degree in education. All education majors should apply to the four-year college or university up to one year before they plan to attend. Most colleges and universities require a 3.0 or higher grade point average to be accepted into the Education program. It is recommended that students prepare and take the PRAXIS test after 45 credits.

Education Electives are EDU 205, EDU 215 and EDU 220