

Elementary 4+1 (CTEP) Program Overview

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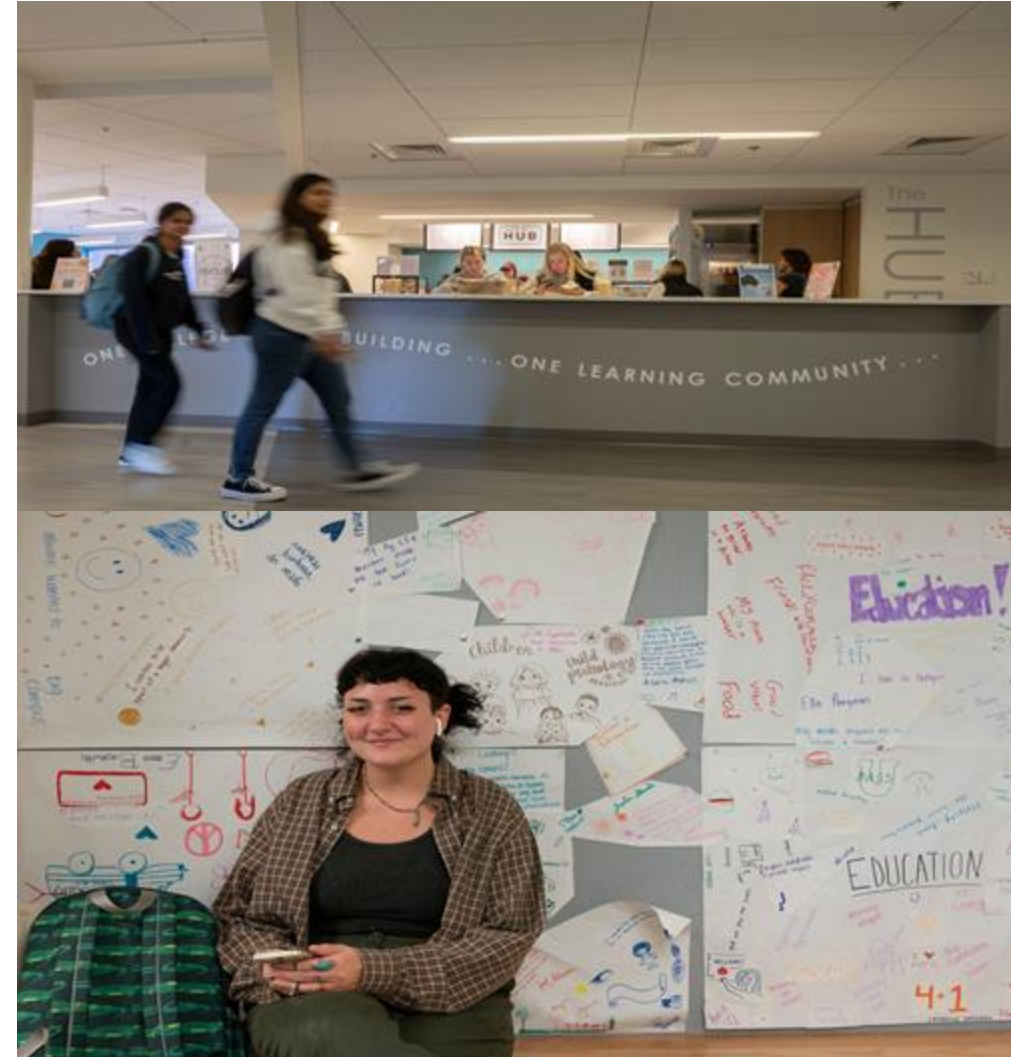


- ❖ Common Application
 - Education BA or Education Exporatory Track (ET)
- ❖ Education BA
 - Start off as a Community Education and Social Change Major
- ❖ Apply to **Elementary 4+1 Program** later in your college career



Elementary 4+1 Master's (CTEP)

- ❖ Initial license to teach grades 1-6
- ❖ Accelerated Master's Degree (NOT an undergraduate major, undergraduate major needed)
- ❖ Apply in January of Junior year
- ❖ Able to take 1-3 graduate level courses as an undergraduate Senior
- ❖ Can graduate in five years with a bachelors and masters degree!



Elementary 4+1 vs. Collaborative Teacher Education Pathway (CTEP)

- Admission into the 4+1 Program allows seniors the opportunity to start graduate coursework for the master's degree early - during senior year. This can result in time and cost savings.
- Actual admission into the graduate school to complete the CTEP program is not guaranteed. 4+1 seniors must apply to the graduate program by January 1 of senior year.
- Admitted graduate students can carry up to 9 credits into the graduate program if they take and pass all 3 pre-approved graduate courses during senior year.

What is needed to apply?

- ❖ Prerequisite classes completed
 - ❖ HUMDEV 270: Child Development
 - ❖ MATH 113: Math for Elementary Teachers I
 - ❖ MATH 114: Math for Elementary Teachers II
 - ❖ EDUC 325: Intro to Special Education
 - ❖ EDUC 461: Principles and Methods of Teaching Reading
 - ❖ EDUC 482E: School Based Field Experience
 - ❖ EDUC 463: Principles and Methods of Teaching Math
 - ❖ ***Diversity Electives***
- ❖ 3.0 GPA or higher
- ❖ Experience working with children!



While many students pursuing the Elementary 4+1 major in Education, this is not required. Students can major in other disciplines as long as they complete the pre-requisites above.

What we are looking for in teacher candidates



- ❖ Passion for the role
- ❖ Understanding and appreciation for social justice and cultural competence
- ❖ Ability to work in diverse populations



- ❖ Highly effective interpersonal and communication skills
- ❖ Strong advocates and leaders
- ❖ Experience working with students!

Q. "Am I an elementary education major?"

A. No. The Elementary Education program is not an undergraduate degree. It is offered at the masters level. Students must pursue an undergraduate degree in another subject.

Q. "If I am accepted into the elementary 4+1 program, does that make me a graduate student?"

A. Students are not considered graduate students until they graduate with their bachelor's degree and matriculate into the graduate school (after applying senior year). 4+1 status allows undergraduate students to take graduate coursework senior year, thus enabling them to get a head start on their graduate degree. 9 credits max of specifically approved CTEP courses can be transferred into the graduate school.

Q. "What should I study during my undergraduate years if I cannot major in Elementary Education?"

A. While many students major in Education (Community Education and Social Change or Special Education or Early Childhood Education), this is not required as long as you do the pre-requisites for the program. Some students study Psychology, Sociology, English, History – the options are endless!

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