The Associate in Elementary Education degree is intended for all future elementary teachers. It provides a broad foundation in liberal arts and beginning coursework in teacher education that is needed upon transfer to most teacher certification programs at Washington state colleges/universities. It is designed to provide early experiences in teacher education, including opportunities for hands-on work in local classrooms and specific courses for elementary teachers.

To earn this degree, students must complete 93-94 quarter credits in courses numbered 100 or higher (from approved distribution list below) and meet specific distribution requirements. No more than 25 percent of credit requirements may be taken on a pass/no credit basis. Students should be aware that courses with “Pass” grades may not satisfy the requirements in their major field. Students must attain a GPA of 2.0 on all college-level courses and earn a minimum of 24 credits, including the last quarter, in residence at Green River Community College.

Students are responsible for knowing transfer requirements and policies, as well as specific course choices and GPA requirements, and are urged to consult the catalog of the institution to which they plan to transfer.

### 1. BASIC SKILLS (25 credits)

A. Communication Skills:
- (10 credits)
  - Courses in this area support the written communication learning outcome.
  - English &101 and one of the following:
    - English 126 or 127

B. Quantitative Skills/Symbolic Reasoning:
- (15 credits)
  - Courses in this area support the quantitative and symbolic reasoning learning outcome.
  - Mathematics 170, 171 and 172

### 2. HUMANITIES/FINE ARTS/ENGLISH (Minimum 15 credits from three separate areas)

A. Communication Studies &220
- (5 credits)

B. English &112, &113, &114, 165, 180, 190 or &236 (5 credits)

C. Choose 5 Credits from the following areas:

#### Art

#### Chinese
- &111, &121, &122, &123

#### Dance
- &101, 102, 110, 204

#### Drama
- &101, 111, 112, 113, 120, 121, 141, 151, 152, 153

#### French
- &121, &122, &123, &221

#### German
- &121, &122, &123

#### Humanities
- 100, 110, 133, 142, 180, 186, 190, 191, 224, 272

### 3. SOCIAL SCIENCE (Minimum 25 credits)

Select from the following.

A. History 101, 102, 103, or 231
- (5 credits)

B. History &136 or &137 (5 credits)

C. Select 15 credits from 2 different disciplines from the following:

#### American Minority and Ethnic Studies
- 100 or Anthropology &206

#### Psychology &100

#### Sociology &101, 220 or 240

#### Social Science 160

### 4. NATURAL SCIENCE (Minimum 15 credits)

A. Interdisciplinary Science 101, 102 and 103 (15 credits)

### 5. ADDITIONAL COURSES (6 credits)

Education &205 and 270

### 6. LIFETIME FITNESS/WELLNESS (2-3 credits)

Fitness-related classes – must take one:

- Physical Education 101, 102, 103, 111, 131, 149, 160, 165, 169

Degree exceptions for fitness/wellness courses must include medical documentation submitted to Disability Support Services (DSS) and documentation to the Degree Exception Committee.

### 7. ELECTIVES (Minimum 5 credits)

All courses numbered 100 or higher, with the exception of Basic Skills and Physical Education, may be taken as electives.

Note: Students choose electives in consultation with their Green River advisor and transfer university admissions representative.

### 8. TRANSFERABILITY OF CREDITS

Green River Community College is fully accredited. Academic courses will usually be accepted by other institutions offering the same (or similar) courses. However, each institution has its own transfer policies and each student is responsible for knowing the transfer and admission requirements of the receiving institution. Students are urged to consult with their advisor and a representative from the college they plan to attend after Green River.

To receive this information in an alternative format, please contact Disability Support Services at: DSS@greenriver.edu, (253) 833-9111, ext. 2631 or TTY at (253) 288-3359. LC-272.
**1. BASIC SKILLS (25 credits)**

- Engl& 101 _____________________
- Engl 126 or 127_________________
- Math 170 _______________________
- Math 171 _______________________
- Math 172 _______________________

**2. HUMANITIES/FINE ARTS/ENGLISH (15 credits)**

- Three different areas
  - A. Cmst& 220 _________________
  - B. Engl& 112, &113, &114, 165, 180, 190 or &236 __________
  - C. ___________________________

**3. SOCIAL SCIENCE (25 credits)**

- A. Hist 101, 102, 103 or 231________
- B. Hist&136 or &137 ___________
- C. Select 15 credits
  - Ames 100 or Anth& 206 __________
  - Psyc& 100 _______________________
  - Soc& 101, 220, or 240 __________
  - S Sci 160 _______________________

**4. NATURAL SCIENCE (15 credits)**

- IDS 101 __________________________
- IDS 102 __________________________

**5. ADDITIONAL COURSES (6 credits)**

- Educ& 205 _____________________
- Educ 270 _______________________

**6. LIFETIME FITNESS/WELLNESS (2-3 credits)**

- P E 101, 102, 103, 111, 131, 149, 160, 165 or 169 __________

**7. ELECTIVES (5 credits)**

- Any course 100 or above

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**Notes:**

- You must maintain a minimum overall GPA of 2.0. This minimum may not meet the entrance requirements at four-year colleges.
- Students are encouraged to take the WEST-B in order to apply to teacher preparation programs.

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Please note that some majors at four-year colleges have special requirements. It is your responsibility to know these. Consult an Educational Planner or your Faculty Advisor for assistance in identifying or researching specific major requirements.