**ELEMENTARY EDUCATION, BA - RURAL PARTNERSHIP WITH OTERO JUNIOR COLLEGE**

**Introduction**

Please click here (http://catalog.ucdenver.edu/cu-denver/undergraduate/schools-colleges-departments/school-education-human-development/) to see School of Education & Human Development information.

The Education and Human Development major focuses on engaging Colorado’s rapidly diversifying student and family population. It combines cutting-edge research with real classroom experiences. You'll learn from innovative faculty members who are locally, nationally and internationally recognized for their research in elementary education. They will provide you with a robust knowledge base and relevant learning experiences in children’s thinking, culturally responsive education, and supporting English language learners, as well as technology as it relates to teaching children in grades kindergarten through sixth grade. You’ll engage in powerful classroom experiences and benefit from our rich 20-year history of partnerships with local school districts.

We will prepare you to become a highly effective, innovative and compassionate elementary teacher skilled in improving student performance and reaching the needs of today’s diverse learners in a variety of school settings. You will have the skills to be a teacher leader. CU Denver graduates often go on to acquire positions in educational leadership as their careers progress.

This program is a rural partnership with Otero Junior College (OJC) in La Junta, Colorado. Students take the first two years of the program at OJC to complete an Associate of Arts degree and then transfer to CU Denver to complete the BA - EDHD Elementary Education degree in the final two years. During the final two years, students complete CU Denver coursework remotely from La Junta and are not required to travel to Denver. Advising is provided during all four years of the program, whether students are OJC or CU Denver students. Coursework is delivered in a variety of ways, including online, video conferencing, in-person in La Junta, and fieldwork in rural Colorado in and around La Junta.

**Program Delivery**

- This is an on-campus program in La Junta with a variety of delivery options for many of our courses including hybrid, evening, weekend, and online courses.

**Declaring This Major**

- Click here (http://catalog.ucdenver.edu/cu-denver/undergraduate/records-registration/registration/declare-change-major-minor/) to go to information about declaring a major.

**General Requirements**

To earn a degree, students must satisfy all requirements in each of the three areas below, in addition to their individual major requirements.

- CU Denver Graduation Requirements (http://catalog.ucdenver.edu/cu-denver/undergraduate/graduation/general-graduation-requirements/)

**Program Requirements**

1. Students must complete a minimum total of 126 semester hours for the EDHD Elementary Education Track.

2. Students must pass the appropriate Praxis Exam prior to beginning their final semester of their Professional Year. It is recommended students complete the exam in the year prior to their Professional Year.

3. Application to the last year of the program, the Professional Year Residency is required. After successfully completing all other Core, major, and elective courses, all students must apply for admission into the Professional Year. Requirements for admission include a 3.0 GPA, positive letters of recommendation, successful evaluations of earlier clinical experiences, and a successful interview. (Students with a lower GPA may be considered under certain conditions. Please see SEHD website (https://education.ucdenver.edu/academic-services/student-resources/undergraduate/).)

4. A minimum GPA of 2.0, grade of C or better, is required for all courses applying to EDHD - Elementary Education requirements unless otherwise specified.

5. Students must complete and maintain a 3.0 minimum grade point average in Professional Year coursework to complete licensure requirements. Please see an advisor for more information on this requirement.

6. Transfer courses must be approved by faculty and/or advisor to apply to the major.

Students will receive transfer credit for all of the following major requirements:

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<td>INTE 2000</td>
<td>Digital Teaching and Learning</td>
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<td>SPED 4030</td>
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**Major Courses**

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<td>Family, Professional, and Community Collaboration</td>
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<td>Mathematics for Elementary Teachers ¹</td>
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<td>SPED 4400</td>
<td>Universal Design for Learning (UDL)</td>
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**Professional Year Courses**

A minimum grade of B- is required in each course.

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**General Electives**

Additional required courses from the community college pathway transfer in as electives to reach the required hours for the BA.

| Total Hours | 78 |

¹ Courses require a grade of B- or better; all other courses require a grade of C or better. Students who do not have a B- or better in the specified courses must consult with their advisors about a plan to retake the course or complete additional work.

To review the Degree Map for this program, please visit our website ([https://www.ucdenver.edu/student/advising/undergraduate/degree-maps/sehd/](https://www.ucdenver.edu/student/advising/undergraduate/degree-maps/sehd/)).