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University of Maryland Limited Enrollment Program Information

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Certain majors require a limit on the number of students they can accommodate and are designated Limited Enrollment Programs (LEP).

Freshman Direct Admits: All students accepted directly as freshmen into the Education major must complete a series of gateway courses and a review at 45 credits. Gateway criteria include:

- Completion of Fundamental Studies* English (ENGL 101) and MATH with a minimum grade of 2.0
- Completion of PRAXIS I Exams (first of two sets of assessments for Maryland State Certification) with passing scores on each test.
- Three letters of recommendation, Goal statement and prior experience with children

A minimum grade point average of 2.5 in all courses is required at the 45-credit review.

Early Childhood and Elementary Education majors have additional gateway requirements. They include:

- Completion of a 4-credit CORE* laboratory physical science, a 4-credit CORE* laboratory biological science, Elements of Mathematics (MATH 212) and Elements of Geometry (MATH 213) with a minimum grade point average of 2.7 or above
- Completion of the School Service Semester (EDCI 280) or EDHD 220 with a grade of 3.0 or better

Transfer Admission Requirements: Students beyond their first semester and those off campus wishing to transfer are required to meet the following gateway criteria:

- Completion of Fundamental Studies* English (ENGL 101) and MATH with a minimum grade of 2.0
- Completion of PRAXIS I Exams (first of two sets of assessments for Maryland State Certification) with passing scores on each test.
- Three letters of recommendation/Goal statement/Prior experience with children

A minimum grade point average of 2.5 or above in all college coursework is required for all internal and external transfer students.

Early Childhood and Elementary Education majors have additional gateway requirements. They include:

- Completion of a 4-credit CORE* laboratory physical science, a 4-credit CORE* laboratory biological science, Elements of Mathematics (MATH 212) and Elements of Geometry (MATH 213) with a minimum grade point average of 2.7 or above
- Completion of the School Service Semester (EDCI 280) or EDHD 220 with a grade of 3.0 or better
- Achievement of a minimum grade point average of 3.0 for Elementary Education and 2.75 for Early Childhood (*Students with the required gateway courses and lower grade point averages will be considered as space is available.*)

PLEASE NOTE

- Only one “gateway” or performance review course may be repeated to earn the required grade and that course may only be repeated once.
- Students may apply only once to an LEP. Students who are directly admitted and fail to meet the performance review criteria will be dismissed from the major and may not reapply.
- Students must maintain a minimum cumulative UM GPA of 2.5 from the time of the 45-credit review until program completion. Failure to do so will result in dismissal from the major.
- Any student denied admission or dismissed from the major may appeal directly to the Assistant Dean of the College.

*See www.ugst.umd.edu/CORE for information on Fundamental and Distributive Studies requirements.

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