



# Education

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The jointly registered Childhood Education and Secondary Education programs, coordinated by the Education and Language Acquisition Department, are designed for students who are interested in pursuing teaching as a career and who plan to transfer to the Queens College School of Education. The programs can lead to admission to Queens College upon successful completion of LaGuardia's Associate in Arts (AA) degree requirements in Liberal Arts and provide a clearly defined academic path that leads to New York State provisional certification in teaching. They also ensure that the students' course selections at LaGuardia will simultaneously satisfy degree requirements at Queens College.

These programs are a response to a predicted teacher shortage nationwide. This shortage is envisioned as being particularly acute among minority teachers, especially in the City of New York. These programs are also designed to respond to the shortcomings within the teaching profession itself by combining a strong Liberal Arts course of study with an early experiential component. These programs provide a broad intellectual foundation and an understanding of the world we live in, its history, diversity and cultures.

The programs have two internships that are accompanied by a cooperative education seminar designed to integrate theory and practice. The LaGuardia internship will satisfy the 100 hours of experience working with children required for admission to the Childhood Education Program at Queens College. The intent of the internships is to involve students in the educational life of the classroom, to let them experience a variety of school settings, and to

learn beginning skills in a teaching role. Through this experiential component, students will have the opportunity to clarify their personal goals, gain insight into the teaching profession and make informed career decisions about continuing in the field of urban education.

Students in these programs are required to complete a Liberal Arts major along with the education co-major at Queens College. Queens College offers a large number of liberal arts majors. Therefore, the Liberal Arts elective credits at LaGuardia should be taken toward a Liberal Arts major at Queens College and students should consult with an advisor before selecting electives.

Students in the Childhood Education program must have a grade of B in at least one course in each of the core content areas: Math, Science, Social Studies, and English Language Arts. They also must maintain a minimum overall cumulative average of 2.75 in order to begin study in this program at Queens College. While a GPA of 2.75 is the minimum requirement for consideration, IT DOES NOT GUARANTEE admission to this program at Queens College.

Students who need additional skill development in reading, writing, mathematics, and communication will be required to take basic skills and/or ESL courses. These courses are not listed in the curriculum. The particular courses students must successfully complete are determined by their scores on the college placement test. For more information on the basic skills requirements, see page 175.

Descriptions of courses in this major can be found on page 109.

## The Childhood Education Curriculum: AA Degree

<b>Counseling</b>	
New Student Seminar	0
<b>English: 12 credits</b>	
Composition I ENC/G101	3
Writing Through Literature ENG102	3
<i>Select one of the following courses:</i>	3
The Bible as Literature ENG205	
The Novel ENG260	
The Drama ENG265	
Shakespeare ENG266	
Introduction to Poetry ENG270	
<i>Select one of the following courses:</i>	3
Afro-American Literature ENG225	
Contemporary Black American Fiction ENG269	
<b>Humanities: 6 credits</b>	
Music for Children HUM104	3
<i>Select one of the following courses:</i>	3
Beginning Drawing HUA103	
Beginning Painting HUA110	
Color Theory HUA115	
Beginning Sculpture HUA120	
Acting I HUC190	
<b>Social Science: 12 credits</b>	
Themes in American History to 1865 SSH101	3
Themes in American History since 1865 SSH102	3
Cultural Anthropology SSA101	3
Learning and Education: Childhood to Adolescence SSY105	3
<b>Math, Engineering &amp; Computer Science: 6 credits</b>	
Mathematics in Elementary Education MAT104*	3
Elementary Statistics I MAT120	3
<b>Natural Sciences: 3 credits</b>	
Topics in Biological Sciences SCB101	3
<b>Education and Language Acquisition: 15 credits</b>	
Foundations of American Education ELN120	3
Language and Literacy in Childhood Education ELE203	3
Introduction to Language ELL101	3
Modern Languages	6
<b>Cooperative Education: 4 credits</b>	
Co-op Childhood Education Internship I CEP112	2
Reflective Practice in the Teaching Profession I CPA011	0
Co-op Childhood Education Internship II CEP212	2
Reflective Practice in the Teaching Profession II CPB011	0
<b>Co-Major: 6 credits</b>	
Courses to be determined in consultation with Education Advisor	6

**TOTAL CREDITS: 64**

\* Students in this program receive a waiver from the Mathematics Department which exempts them from taking MAT103.

## Secondary Education Curriculum: AA Degree

<b>Counseling</b>	
New Student Seminar	0
<b>English: 12 credits</b>	
Composition I ENC/G101	3
Writing Through Literature ENG102	3
<i>Select one of the following courses:</i>	3
The Bible as Literature ENG 205	
The Novel ENG260	
The Drama ENG265	
Shakespeare ENG266	
Introduction to Poetry ENG270	
<i>Select one of the following courses:</i>	3
Afro-American Literature ENG225	
Contemporary Black American Fiction ENG269	
<b>Humanities: 3 credits</b>	
<i>Select one of the following courses:</i>	3
Introduction to Art HUA101	
Introduction to Music HUM101	
<b>Social Science: 9 credits</b>	
Cultural Anthropology SSA101	3
U.S. Power and Politics SSP101	3
Western Civilization II SSH104	3
<b>Math, Engineering &amp; Computer Science: 3 credits</b>	
<i>Select one of the following courses:</i>	3
Elementary Statistics MAT120	
Pre-Calculus MAT200	
<b>Natural Sciences: 3 credits</b>	
Topics in Biology SCB101*	3
<b>Education and Language Acquisition: 15 credits</b>	
Foundations of American Education ELN101	3
Language and Literacy in Secondary Education ELE204	3
Introduction to Language ELL101	3
Modern Languages	6
<b>Cooperative Education: 4 credits</b>	
Co-op Secondary Education Internship I CEP111	2
Reflective Practice in the Teaching Profession I CPA011	0
Co-op Secondary Education Internship II CEP211	2
Reflective Practice in the Teaching Profession II CPB011	0
<b>Liberal Arts Electives: 15 credits</b>	
The Liberal Arts elective credits must be courses in the area of concentration that you will study at Queens College.	

**TOTAL CREDITS: 64**

\* Except for Biology majors who take SCB201

*Note:* Students should consult with a counselor and/or faculty advisor in the selection of elective courses to ensure maximum transferability of credits taken.