

# Program Change Request

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this Program

[Educational Studies \(EDST\)](#)

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Program Status      Active

Academic Level      Undergraduate

Type of proposal      Major/Field of Study

Select a reason for this modification

Making Minor Changes to an Existing Certificate, Degree or Program (including 15 or fewer hours, admission/graduation requirements, Focused Studies or Tracks)

Are you adding a concentration?

No

Are you adding or modifying a track?

No

Are you adding or modifying a focused study?

No

Effective Catalog Year      Fall 2025

College/School Code

College of Education and Health Professions (EDUC)

## In Workflow

1. EDUC Dean Initial
2. Director of Curriculum Review and Program Assessment
3. Registrar Initial
4. Institutional Research
5. CIED Chair
6. EDUC Curriculum Committee
7. EDUC Dean
8. Global Campus
9. Provost Review
10. Undergraduate Council
11. Faculty Senate
12. Provost Final
13. Registrar Final
14. Catalog Editor Final

## Approval Path

1. 07/15/24 3:55 pm  
Matthew Ganio (msganio):  
Approved for EDUC Dean Initial
2. 09/18/24 3:53 pm  
Lisa Kulczak (lkulcza): Approved for Director of Curriculum Review and Program Assessment

## Department Code

3. 09/23/24 7:35 am  
Gina Daugherty  
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Registrar Initial
4. 09/23/24 11:35 am  
Doug Miles  
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for Institutional  
Research
5. 10/18/24 3:57 pm  
Suzanne Kucharczyk  
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6. 11/06/24 2:31 pm  
Matthew Ganio  
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7. 11/06/24 3:22 pm  
Matthew Ganio  
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8. 11/06/24 3:31 pm  
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for Global Campus
9. 11/07/24 8:23 am  
Jim Gigantino  
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**History**

1. Aug 15, 2014 by  
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Administrator  
(clhelp)

2. Mar 2, 2015 by rjhutchi
3. May 9, 2016 by rjhutchi
4. Mar 1, 2017 by rjhutchi
5. Sep 6, 2017 by Lisa Kulczak (lkulcza)
6. May 1, 2018 by rjhutchi
7. May 24, 2018 by Lisa Kulczak (lkulcza)
8. May 21, 2019 by rjhutchi
9. Dec 10, 2020 by Karen Turner (kvestal)
10. May 13, 2022 by rjhutchi
11. May 13, 2022 by Charlie Alison (calison)
12. May 17, 2022 by Charlie Alison (calison)
13. Oct 26, 2022 by rjhutchi
14. Mar 4, 2024 by rjhutchi

Department of Curriculum and Instruction (CIED)

Program Code            EDSTBS

Degree                    Bachelor of Science in Education

CIP Code  
13.0101 - Education, General.

Program Title  
Educational Studies, Bachelor of Science in Education

Program Delivery

## Method

On Campus

Online/Web-based

Is this program interdisciplinary between two or more colleges or schools?

No

Do the proposed changes impact any specific course(s) from another college or school?

No

What are the total 120  
hours needed to  
complete the  
program?

## On-line/Web-based Information

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Reason for offering

Web-based Program

The online BSE is designed to allow working professionals with an associate's degree or equivalent para-professionals a program of study where they need not quit their jobs or in schools or relocate outside of their communities to continue their journey towards becoming educational professionals, fully licensed classroom teachers. ~~The goal of the online BSE in Educational Studies for Para-professionals program is to provide working para-professionals with an associate's degree a path towards bachelors' degree completion as a necessary requirement to earn their teaching license. The State of Arkansas and most states require an accredited bachelor's degree for all public K-12 teachers. Students may~~ No specific bachelor's degree major is required to obtain alternative licensure, but a bachelor's degree in the field of education is highly desirable for students seeking to pursue alternative designated alternative (non-traditional college operated) licensure programs upon completion of an undergraduate degree. But this This degree program does not include licensure course work itself, which that must be met through an additional program, not offered via the Educational Studies program. The fully complete online offering would allow online students to complete the EDST-MXED track online. These students are not required to be employed by an Arkansas education service provider (as required by the EDST-PARA program).

Maximum Class Size 25

for Web-based

Courses

Course delivery  
mode

Method(s)

Online

Class interaction

Method(s):

mode

<b>Method(s):</b>
Other

Specify Other

Interaction Methods

Electronic Bulletin Boards (Blackboard) and Video Chat (Zoom or Blackboard Collaborate)

Percent Online

100% with No Required Campus Component

Provide a List of

Services Supplied by

Consortia Partners or

Outsourced

Organization

N/A

Estimate Costs of the 0 45,000

Program over the

First 3 Years

List Courses Taught

by Adjunct Faculty

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Memorandum of

Understanding Forms

(if required)

## Program Requirements and Description

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Requirements

**Program Description:** The Bachelor of Science in Educational Studies (B.S.E.) is a degree program centered around the foundational, democratic, and social functions of education studied in an open-interdisciplinary concept pulling from various academic fields adjacent to education, as well as pedagogical practice and theory. This includes sociology, psychology, history, philosophy, politics as lenses for education understanding. The EDST BSE is not licensure program; the degree, in itself, does not lead to licensure. Students completing this program will gain the skills and understanding to work in a variety of environments which serve an educative function or function, including, but not limited to private teaching practices, educational support roles, non-profit community services, higher education, ministry or faith-based work, community agencies, private sector

educational business and/or advanced graduate studies. With additional training and licensure (not-offered via the program), students can also work in traditional public classrooms.

The BSE in Education Studies contains two concentrations for potential students: Mixed Education Environments (EDST-MXED) and Para-professional Transition (EDST-PARA). EDST-MXED is offered via campus-based delivery, open to all students and the online program, offered through Global Campus is available to online-only students. The EDST-PARA concentration is offered to individuals working for an educational service provider within the State of Arkansas only.

**Admission into Program:** The EDST has two concentrations with two delivery options: Mixed Education Environments (on-campus & online) and Para-professional Transition (online). Student are admitted to the EDST-MXED program unless they specifically apply to the EDST-PARA program and meet requirements listed for the program. Online course enrollment for EDST-MXED online sections shall be restricted to students in online-programs or majors through Global Campus.

<b>State Minimum Core</b> <sup>1</sup>		<b>35</b>
<a href="#">PSYC 20003</a>	General Psychology (ACTS Equivalency = PSYC 1103) <sup>2</sup>	
<b>Educational Base Courses</b>		
<a href="#">CIED 10103</a>	Introduction to Education	3
or <a href="#">EDST 20003</a>	Introduction to Educational Studies	
<a href="#">CIED 30203</a>	Survey of Exceptionalities	3
<a href="#">CIED 30303</a>	Classroom Learning Theory	3
or <a href="#">CIED 30103</a>	Development and Learning Theories in the K-6 Classroom	
<a href="#">CNED 30503</a>	The Helping Relationship	3
or <a href="#">CNED 40003</a>	Classroom Human Relations Skills	
	or 3 hours elective if online degree seeking student	
<a href="#">EDST 31103</a>	Legal Developments in Education	3
<a href="#">EDST 32003</a>	Multicultural Education Issues	3
<a href="#">EDST 32203</a>	American Educational History	3
<a href="#">EDST 33303</a>	Children's & Young Adult Literature in Educational Settings	3
<a href="#">EDST 3990V</a>	Special Topics in Educational Studies	3
or <a href="#">EDST 40403</a>	Contemporary Research & Issues in Education	
or <a href="#">EDST 33103</a>	Trauma Based Educational Practices	
<a href="#">EDST 40003</a>	Philosophy of Education	3
<a href="#">EDST 41103</a>	Teaching and Funding Outdoor & Informal Education	3

<a href="#">EDST 42103</a>	Religion, Education, & Religious Education	3
Elective Hours		31
Concentration hours (see below for specific courses)		18
Total Hours		120

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For courses, go to the [State Minimum Core](#) requirements.

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Pre-requisite for [CIED 30303](#), [CIED 30503](#), and [CNED 40003](#).

### 8-Semester Plan

#### Are Similar Programs available in the area?

No

Estimated Student 100

Demand for Program

Scheduled Program 2029-2030

Review Date

Program Goals and

Objectives

#### Program Goals and Objectives

The goal of the BSE in Educational Studies program is to provide students the development required to become future educators serving a multitude of formal and informal education roles in a variety of fields including, but not limited to formalized instruction [private, charter, and public (with additional licensure)], informal educational services [community-based, religious-based, or learning-center-based], and future academic graduate development [higher education, counseling education, or public service].

Learning Outcomes

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Learning outcomes include the acquisition of knowledge to effectively perform in both formal and informal educational settings; multiple internship experiences to acquire future job/career experience; and a comprehensive understanding of education as a multi-/interdisciplinary field including the study of politics, economics, sociology, psychology, religion, history, and pedagogy.

Description and justification of the request

Description of specific change	Justification for this change
Institute rollout of the priorly approved online course/ program options for individuals that are not affiliated with an Arkansas educational employer.	There is no change to admission requirements or courses. Priorly approved online program activation is being sought.

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Reviewer Comments

**Lisa Kulczak (lkulcza) (09/18/24 3:46 pm):** Updated effective date from fall 2024 to fall 2025.

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