

Pfeiffer Elementary Education Program

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The Pfeiffer program offers an elementary education teaching degree through Randolph Community College and Pfeiffer University. The general education courses are offered through RCC and the 4 year degree is granted by Pfeiffer University.

In order to transfer to Pfeiffer, students need to have completed at least 24 college-level credits, about 8 classes. These courses can transfer from other colleges or can be taken at RCC. The RCC classes are taught day, evening or online at RCC tuition with RCC financial aid. It is recommended that students complete most of the RCC classes before applying to Pfeiffer early in a fall semester.

Pfeiffer classes are mostly held on Monday nights here at the Asheboro campus and through online courses. There are a few semesters when students would have day classes for school observations and student teaching. The Pfeiffer courses are at Pfeiffer tuition (more expensive than the community college) and students would go through Pfeiffer for financial aid and books. Students can transfer into the Pfeiffer program to begin in Spring semesters, so long as there are enough students to support the program. For the first 2 years, we have had more students than needed so the program has been continuous.

If you are interested in pursuing the degree at Pfeiffer, request a change of major at the RCC Registrar's office. See Ms. LeBaron (or other college transfer advisor) during registration. RCC courses should be taken before enrolling at Pfeiffer, -or- you may take 1 or 2 classes at RCC during most semesters you are taking Pfeiffer classes, -or- you may finish up a few RCC classes after completing the Pfeiffer program. You will not receive your 4 year degree until you have completed both the RCC and Pfeiffer course requirements. The following are the required RCC courses, but there are cases where some substitutions are acceptable.

ACA *** Success and Study Skills

MAT 140 Survey of Mathematics

MAT 151 Statistics I (or higher math)

BIO 111 General Biology I

BIO 112 General Biology II

ENG 111 Expository Writing

ENG 113 Literature-Based Research

ENG 131 or above, a Literature

HIS 236 North Carolina History

HIS 121 Western Civilizations I or HIS 122 Western Civilizations II

HIS 131 American History I or HIS 132 American History II

PHI 215 or PHI 240 Philosophical Issues or Introduction to Ethics (or a Religion course)

SOC 210 (or another Psychology or Sociology course)

REL *** any 3 credit Religion course

*EDU 151 Creative Activities

PED courses if under 27 years old

PED 110 Fit and Well for Life

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College Transfer Electives to total:

64-65 hours for RCC Associates

124 total hours for Pfeiffer degree

*All of the RCC courses also transfer to state colleges, except for the EDU 151. A student would need to petition for credit from the education department of the chosen transfer school.

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