NIU General Education Requirements

Foundation Studies (12)
Required grade of "C" or better
COMS 100
ENGL 103
ENGL 203A, 203B, 203C, or 203D
or ENGL 204 [if placed into ENGL 204]
MATH 101, 155, 206, 210, 211, or 229
or MATH 110+STAT 208

Knowledge Domain Studies (21)
There is a required minimum of 21 semester hours in the three General Education Knowledge Domains that cannot include more than two courses in any one department. A minimum of 6 semester hours in each domain area and one additional 3 hour course from any knowledge domain area.

Creativity & Critical Analysis (6)
See catalog for entire list of Creativity & Critical Analysis Courses
ANTH 102, 210
ARTH 282, 292, 294, 340, 350
COMS 220, 230, 356
ENGL 110, 115, 116, 310, 315, 350
EPFE 321, 400, 410 [Major requirement]
[Writing Infused Course]
FLCL 271, FLFR 371, FLIT 272, FLRU 261
HIST 110, 111, 112, 140, 141, 171, 260, 261
IDSP 225, ILAS 100
MUHL 220
PHIL 101, 105, 231
POLS 150, 251
TH-D 222, THEA 203
WGST 202

Nature & Technology (6)
BIOS 103 (Recommended)
NUTR 201 (3) [Health minor elective, PRQ: BIOS 103]

Society & Culture (6)
PSYC 102 (3) [Major requirement]
Recommended courses:
EPFE 201 (3)
PHHE 206 (3) [Health minor requirement]

Knowledge Domain Studies Elective (3)
Complete 3 hour elective from one of the areas above
See catalog for entire list of Knowledge Domain Studies

Physical Education Requirements (80-82)

Pre-Professional Requirements (6)
KNED 351 Multicultural Dance (3)
[Human Diversity Course]

Scientific Basis (12-13)
BIOS 311 Functional Human Anatomy (4)
or BIOS 357 Human Anatomy & Physiology (5)
[PRQ: Bios 103 + 105, CHEM 110]
KNPE 314 App Kinesiology (4)
[PRQ: BIOS 311 or 357 & MATH core "C" or better]
KNPE 452 Exercise Physiology (4)
[PRQ: BIOS 311 or 357 & MATH core "C" or better]

Professional Education and Content-Area (39)
Required grade of "C" or better
KNPE 200 Introduction to Physical Education (2)
KNPE 203 Early Clinical PE (1) [CRQ: KNPE 200]
KNPE 235 Fundamental Sport Skills (3)
KNPE 302 Assess in PE School (3)
KNPE 303 Clinical Exp in PE II (1)
KNPE 335 Development Skill-Based Approach to Teaching (3)
[PRQ: KNPE 235]
KNPE 340 Growth Motor Develop (3)
KNPE 343 Elem PE Methods (3) [Requirements below]
KNPE 344 Elem PE Field (1) [Requirements below]
KNPE 348 Educ Dance Children (2)
KNPE 364 Fitness Ed Methods (3) [PRQ: KNPE 335]
KNPE 365 Adventure Education (3) [PRQ: KNPE 335]
[Writing Infused Course]
KNPE 368 Sport Education (3) [PRQ: KNPE 335]
KNPE 421 Curriculum Designs (2) [Permission Required]
KNPE 449 Current Issues (2) [Permission Required]
KNPE 466 Outdoor Environment (1) [Requirements below]
KNPE 467 Middle Field Exp (1) [Requirements below]
KNPE 468 Secondary Field Exp (1) [Requirements below]
KNPE 490 Adapted PE (3) [Permission Required]
KNPE 492 SPEC Clinic (1) [Permission Required]
[CRQ: KNPE 490]

Permission required for clinical classes:
KNPE 302, 303, 343, 344, 466, 467, 468, 490, 492

Pre-requisites/requirements:
1) Minimum NIU GPA 2.75
2) Successful completion ILTS: Test of Academic Proficiency (TAP)
   Registration and information: http://www.illinois.prairieview.edu
   or ACT plus writing: http://www.actstudent.org/
   or SAT: http://collegereadiness.collegeboard.org/sat
   See Anthony for ISBE approval for ACT in lieu of TAP
3) Create Educator Account through ELIS:
   http://www.isbe.net/Pages/Educator-Licensure-Information-System.aspx
4) Negative TB test (tuberculosis). NIU Health Services:
   NIU student with or without NIU Health Insurance - $15.00 fee
5) Criminal Background Check: To be completed in school districts
**Teacher Licensure/Educational Requirement (24)**

Select one (3)

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Fulfills KNPE Major and Gen Ed Requirement and Writing Infused Course

**Required courses (9)**

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**KNPE: K-12: Student Teaching (12)**

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or KNPE 485 Secondary Student Teaching (6)

**Student Teaching Requirements:**

Refer to handbook from student teaching meeting. Submit requirements to AN main office for permission numbers.

**Teaching License Application Process:**

1) Successfully complete NIU’s graduation requirements
2) Successfully complete EdTPA
3) After NIU recommends you for licensure, you must log into your ELIS educator account and accept entitlement.
4) **IMPORTANT:** If you apply for licensure before NIU recommends you, you will be evaluated by ISBE which will be 3-6 months longer and require additional money.

**ISBE (Illinois State Board of Education) Endorsement Requirements**

If you are licensed to teach, you may add an endorsement in your grade range to your current license. Endorsements are awarded through Illinois State Board of Education (ISBE). Please refer to the current ISBE’s endorsement structure effective September 2016: [http://www.isbe.net/Pages/Subsequent-Teaching-Endorsements.aspx](http://www.isbe.net/Pages/Subsequent-Teaching-Endorsements.aspx)

**ILTS: Illinois Licensure Test System**

TAP Tutoring [http://www.teachercertification.niu.edu/teachercertification/](http://www.teachercertification.niu.edu/teachercertification/)

PE Content Tutoring Physical Education 144 Study Book – Check out from Sue Schwartz, AN 214 Purchase online practice test: [http://www.ictstestprep.com/PhysEd/](http://www.ictstestprep.com/PhysEd/)

EdTPA Information in student teaching handbook