### 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, ILSA 100
- MUHL 220
- PHIL 101, 105, 231
- POLS 150, 251
- TH-D 222, THEA 203
- WGST 202

#### Nature & Technology (6)

- BIOS 103 (3) [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

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### Physical Education Requirements (81-82)

#### 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 (45)

**Required grade of “C” or better**

- KNDN 351 Multicultural Dance (3) [Human Diversity Course]
- KNDN 200 Introduction to Physical Education (2)
- KNDN 203 Early Clinical PE (1) [CRQ: KNPE 200]
- KNDN 235 Fundamental Sport Skills (3)
- KNDN 302 Assess in PE School (3) [SPRING ONLY]
- KNDN 303 Clinical Exp in PE II (1) [SPRING ONLY]
- KNDN 335 Development Skill-Based Approach to Teaching (3) [PRQ: KNPE 235]
- KNDN 340 Growth Motor Develop (3)
- KNDN 343 Elem PE Methods (3) [Requirements below] (FALL ONLY)
- KNDN 344 Elem PE Field (1) [Requirements below] (FALL ONLY)
- KNDN 348 Educ Dance Children (2)
- KNDN 364 Fitness Ed Methods (3) [PRQ: KNPE 335]
- KNDN 365 Adventure Education (3) [PRQ: KNPE 335] (SPRING ONLY) [Writing Infused Course]
- KNDN 368 Sport Education (3) [PRQ: KNPE 335] (FALL ONLY)
- KNDN 421 Curriculum Designs (2) [Permission Required] (SPRING ONLY)
- KNDN 449 Current Issues (2) [Permission Required] (SPRING ONLY)
- KNDN 466 Outdoor Environment (1) [Requirements below] (SPRING ONLY)
- KNDN 467 Middle Field Exp (1) [Requirements below] (SPRING ONLY)
- KNDN 468 Secondary Field Exp (1) [Requirements below] (SPRING ONLY)
- KNDN 490 Adapted PE (3) [Permission Required] (FALL ONLY)
- KNDN 492 SPEC Clinic (1) [Permission Required] (CRQ: KNPE 490) (FALL ONLY)

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Writing Infused Graduation Requirement

Students entering NIU with 30 or fewer credit hours, excluding credits awarded through NIU’s Credit by Examination Program, must earn credit in two upper-division courses that are designated as: “writing-infused.”

**Human Diversity Requirement**

All undergraduate students must complete the human diversity baccalaureate requirement either through a designated human diversity course, or a non-course based experience that is designated as “human diversity.”
1) Minimum NIU GPA 2.75
2) Successful completion ILTS: Test of Academic Proficiency (TAP)
   Registration and information: http://www.il.nesinc.com
   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) Valid CPR/1st Aid card each semester with professional clinical coursework
6) Criminal Background Check: To be completed in school districts

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TEACHER LICENSURE/EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENT (24)

Select one (3)
   EPFE 321 History American Education (3)
   EPFE 400 Foundation of Education (3)
   EPFE 410 Philosophy of Education (3)
Fulfills KNPE Major and Gen Ed Requirement and Writing Infused Course

Required courses (9)
   EPS 405 Human Development (3)
   LTIC 301 Teaching Multicultural Perspective (3) [Human Diversity Course]
   LTRE 311 Content Area Literacy Instruction (3) [Permission Required]

KNPE: K-12: Student Teaching (12)
   KNPE 483 Elementary Student Teaching (6) [FALL ONLY]
   KNPE 484 Middle School Teaching (6) [FALL ONLY]
   or KNPE 485 Secondary Student Teaching (6) [FALL ONLY]

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

ILTS: Illinois Licensure Test System
TAP Tutoring http://www.teachercertification.niu.edu/teachercertification/
PE Content Tutoring Purchase online practice test: http://www.il.nesinc.com/
EdTPA Information in student teaching handbook