

CERTIFICATE: TEACHING ASSISTANT

Division: Business, Behavioral/Social Sciences, Public & Human Services
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18 Credits

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Course #	SEMESTER 1	Credits	✓
ENG 101	Composition and Literature 1	3	
PSYCH 101	General Psychology	3	
MATH 123	Mathematics for Elementary Teachers ¹	3	

Course #	SEMESTER 2	Credits	✓
ENG 102	Composition and Literature 2	3	
PSYCH 109	Developmental Psychology	3	
INTER 101	Intro to Schools and Teaching ²	3	

NOTES:

The Teaching Assistant certificate provides an opportunity for teaching assistants and other individuals interested in childhood education to begin their higher education in a gradual and supportive manner and to meet the new state and/or federal requirements. The Certificate will qualify students to attain Level III Teaching Assistant certification as well as the six credit hours required for Level II certification. For some individuals, this will be the first step in a process for obtaining a baccalaureate degree and teaching certification. Upon completion of this proposed Certificate Program, students will:

- Be knowledgeable about a range of issues in the field of public education in grades K-12.
- Have information regarding teacher preparation and certification issues so that they will know what career options they have, and what the routes are in pursuing those options.
- Have knowledge of basic information, concepts and principles in the field of psychology, especially as those facts, concepts and principles pertain to the education of young children.
- Be able to demonstrate college-level competence in the area of critical reading and writing.
- Be able to demonstrate the ability more generally to successfully complete college-level work in an area of concentration.

¹ Prerequisite: students must possess college-level mathematics as demonstrated by Placement Test scores, or by previous college-level mathematics.

² Prerequisite – ENG 101- Composition and Literature 1