General Studies Requirements
(General Studies must total at least 58 s.h.)

FIRST-YEAR CORE:

GST 110 - Global Experience (4 s.h.)
ENG 110 - College Writing (4 s.h.)
MTH 112 or 121 (4 s.h.)
HED 111 – Contemp. Wellness Issues (2 s.h.)

Experiential Learning Requirement (ELR): (One Unit)

[May be met by any one of the following: internship, practicum, co-op, study abroad, student teaching, or an approved field-based course. Also may be met by service, leadership, or individualized learning experience.]

Foreign Language Requirement:

Students must meet one of the following: placing beyond FL 122 on the CAPE placement test, completing a 122-level language course, completing a semester or summer in a university approved program in a non-English speaking country with language study at the 122-level or above, scoring 4 or 5 on an Advanced Placement language exam or similar exam.

STUDIES IN THE ARTS AND SCIENCES:

[Transfer students with at least 18 s.h. of transfer credit must complete 32 hours total in Studies in the Arts & Sciences, but may have as few as 7 hours in one or more of the four Studies in the Arts & Sciences areas.]

Expression (8 s.h.)

[Eight hours chosen from at least two of the following: literature (in English or foreign languages), philosophy, & fine arts (art, dance, fine arts, music, music theater, and theater arts). At least one course must be literature.]

Civilization (8 s.h.)

[Eight hours chosen from at least two of the following: history, foreign languages, and religion. Students taking foreign language courses to meet Elon’s proficiency requirement may only apply 4 s.h. of that coursework toward Civilization.]

Society (8 s.h.)

[Eight hours chosen from at least two of the following: economics, geography, political science, psychology, and sociology.]

Science * BIO 111 __________ (Lab: 113 ) *CHM 111/113 (8 s.h.)

[Eight hours chosen from one or more of the following: mathematics, science, and computer science (must have the CSC department designation.) At least one course must be a physical or biological laboratory science.]

ADVANCED STUDIES (Must be outside major.):

*PSY 321 __________ *BIO 322 (8 s.h.)

[Eight hours of 300-400 level courses outside the major field chosen from departments and areas listed under Studies in the Arts and Sciences.]

GST Interdisciplinary Seminar __________ (4 s.h.)

[300-400 level GST course; requires junior/senior status.]

*Required in major; may count in General Studies.

Special Education & Science Education Major Requirements

A minimum of 94 s.h. in the following courses is required.

___ ___*BIO 111 (3) & 113 (1) –Introductory Cell Bio. & Lab
___ ___*BIO 112 (3) & 114 (1) - Introductory Population Biology and Lab
___ BIO 221 (4) - Zoology
___ BIO 222 (4) - Botany
___ *BIO 322 (4) - Molecular/Cellular Biology
     (Junior standing or Instructor consent)

Choose one course (4 s.h.) from the following:

BIO 312 (4) – Comparative Vertebrate Anatomy
BIO 321 (4) - Microbiology
BIO 325 (4) - Human Histology
BIO 342 (4) – Plant Physiology
BIO 452 (4) - General Ecology

___ ___*CHM 111 (3) & 113 (1)-General Chemistry I & Lab
___ ___ CHM 112 (3) & 114 (1) - General Chemistry II & Lab
___ ___*CHM 211 (3) & 213 (1) - Organic Chemistry I & Lab

Choose one course (4 s.h.) from the following:

CHM 212 (3) & 214 (1) - Organic Chemistry II & Lab
CHM 205 (4) – Inorganic Chemistry

___ ___PHY 102 (4) – Introduction to Astronomy
___ ___PHY 103 (4) – Introduction to Geology

Professional Studies (46 s.h.)

___ EDU 211 (4) – School and Society
___ CIS 220 (3) - Computers & Teaching
___ *PSY 321 (4) - Educational Psychology
     (C- or better required for admission to Educ. program)
___ EDU 342 (3) – Foundations of Special Education
___ EDU 345 (4) - Planning & Managing the Learning Environment in Special Education
___ EDU 424 (4) – Materials and Methods of Teaching Middle Grades and Secondary Education
___ EDU 435 (4) - Assessment Methods & Interpretation in Special Education
___ EDU 444 (4) - Language, Literacy & Math in Special Education
___ EDU 445 (4) – Teaching/Learning Strategies for Students in Special Education
___ EDU 480 (2) - Student Teaching Seminar
___ EDU 481 (10) – Supervised Observation & Student Teaching
___ Major Total (s.h.)
Mission of Teacher Education at Elon University

The mission of Teacher Education at Elon is to prepare quality teachers who are knowledgeable, responsible and thoughtful professionals. The conceptual framework, "Thoughtful Practice in a Community of Learners," reflects an intention to create a learning environment in which teacher candidates inquire, collaborate and construct the knowledge, skills and dispositions for professional practice.

Science Teacher Licensure Program Mission

The Science Teacher Licensure Program (biology concentration) is committed to preparing quality teachers who are as follows:

- Knowledgeable of the learning characteristics of exceptional students who access the general curriculum (students with learning disabilities, mild mental retardation and emotional/behavioral disorders)
- Knowledgeable of instructional strategies, curricula and assessment methods appropriate for exceptional students
- Knowledgeable in biology content and process
- Professional in meeting responsibilities both within the university and in the classroom
- Skillful in using inquiry to enhance their own and their students’ learning and development
- Committed to and respectful of the communities in which they live and teach.

Steps to Teacher Licensure

I. Freshman Year
1. Plan program with coordinator of special education and science education.
2. Apply for admission to the Teacher Education Program in the Teacher Education Office, Mooney 102 if you are spending a semester abroad in sophomore year.

II. Sophomore Year or earlier
1. Declare the major. Complete forms in Academic Advising, Duke 108
2. Apply for admission to the Teacher Education Program in the Teacher Education Office, Mooney 102 (if not completed previously)
3. Determine whether Praxis Series/PPST (Pre-Professional Skills Test) is required. If combined SAT score is 1100 or greater, the PPST is not required. If one part of the SAT is 550 or greater, that section of the PPST is not required
4. If PPST is required, obtain registration bulletin for the test from the Teacher Education Office
5. Have PPST scores sent to Elon University and to the Department of Public Instruction in Raleigh
6. Have an overall grade point average of at least 2.50. Maintain at least a 2.50 GPA throughout the program
7. Be screened by the Education Department and science education screening committees
8. Attend the School of Education Induction Ceremony
9. Only after a student has been unconditionally admitted to Teacher Education may he/she enroll in Education (EDU) courses at the 300-400 level.

III. Semester Prior to Student Teaching
1. Have an overall GPA of at least 2.50
2. Apply for student teaching. Forms are available in the Teacher Education Office.

IV. Semester of Student Teaching
1.
2. Submit focused unit via LiveText
3. Submit professional portfolio

V. At End of Student Teaching
1. Obtain licensure forms from the Teacher Education Office
2. Clear all requirements with the Office of the Registrar.