

# TEACHING (GR 1-5), ASSOCIATE OF SCIENCE (AST)

**Location:** Gonzales

The Associate of Science in Teaching is a 60-credit hour program for students who wish to teach elementary grade students, grades 1-5. The AST degree is fully transferable to four-year colleges of education in Louisiana, and successful completion of the degree enables recipients to enter a four-year college of education program with half of their certification requirements complete and all general education requirements met. In addition to general education courses, students will complete two professional education courses that include associated fieldwork experience.

All courses applied to the degree must be passed with a 'C' or better. Developmental courses will not be applied to the degree. To benefit from the transfer guarantees at four-year universities, students must earn the AST degree prior to transferring and have at least a 2.50 unadjusted cumulative grade point average.

## Curriculum Program of Study

Course	Title	Hours
<b>First Semester</b>		
ENGL 1013	English Composition I (General Education, English Composition) <sup>1</sup>	3
General Education, Mathematics/Analytics Reasoning - MATH 1213		3
General Education, Natural Science - Select from Biology (BIOL), Chemistry (CHEM), Environmental Science (ENVS), Physical Science (PHSC), or Physics (PHYS)		3
General Education, Humanities - HIST 1013		3
General Education, Fine Arts - Select one of the following: ARTS 1023, MUSC 1013, or THTR 1013		3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Second Semester</b>		
ENGL 1023	English Composition II (General Education, English Composition)	3
MATH 1413	Elementary Number Structure	3
General Education, Natural Science - Select from Biology (BIOL), Chemistry (CHEM), Environmental Science (ENVS), Physical Science (PHSC), or Physics (PHYS)		3
General Education, Humanities - HIST 2013		3
General Education, Social Science - POLI 2013		3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Third Semester</b>		
General Education, Humanities - English Literature - any 2000-level ENGL <sup>1</sup>		3
MATH 1423	Geom for Elem & Mid Sch Tchrs	3
General Education, Natural Science - Select any BIOL, CHEM, ENVS, PHSC, or PHYS		3
General Education, Social Science - Select one of the following:		3
GEOG 2113	Cultural Geography	
GEOG 2013	Introduction to Geography	
TEAC 2013	Teaching & Learning in Div S I	3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Fourth Semester</b>		
PSYC 2113	Developmental Psychology	3
SPCH 2013	Techniques of Speech	3
General Education, Mathematics/Analytics Reasoning - MATH 2303		3
General Education, Natural Science - Select any BIOL, CHEM, ENVS, PHSC, or PHYS		3

TEAC 2033	Teaching & Learning Div S II	3
<b>Hours</b>		<b>15</b>
<b>Total Hours</b>		<b>60</b>

<sup>1</sup> Students required to take both ENGL and MATH co-requisite courses: please speak with your Student Success Coach about adjusting your sequence of courses for this program.

Upon successful completion of the program, the graduate will be able to:

1. Discuss the legal rights of students regarding diversity in the classroom.
2. Articulate major theories of human development and learning including cognitive development theories, social/emotional development theories, moral development, and behavior-based theories.
3. Create researched, engaging learning activities for students using appropriate technology.
4. Describe the process for obtaining special education services, the programs available for students with special needs, and resources available to parents.
5. Demonstrate the professional behavior and curriculum, planning, observation, and assessment techniques necessary to be effective in the classroom with students in grades 1-5.

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