



Educational Studies – Elementary Education | Bachelor of Arts

	First Year (0-45 credits)	2 nd & 3 rd Years (45-135 credits)	4+ Years (135+credits)	Career Development Checklist
EDUCATION <i>What do I want to do?</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Explore Educational Studies: Elementary Education Webpage ➤ Meet with professors/Pre-Major Advisors ➤ Meet with teacher certification advisor for academic planning ➤ Consider taking the Career Exploration class BISSKL 250 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Explore faculty bio pages and the undergraduate research database to find research opportunities and interview faculty about teaching as a career ➤ Participate in Community-Based Learning and Research (CBLR) coursework ➤ Meet with teacher certification advisor for academic planning and prepare for teacher certification program application 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Complete student teaching placement and all certification requirements 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Register on Handshake <input type="checkbox"/> Develop Teaching Resume <input type="checkbox"/> Build LinkedIn & Handshake profiles <input type="checkbox"/> Network with alumni/ industry professionals <input type="checkbox"/> Research skill requirements for the teaching profession <input type="checkbox"/> Prepare for student teaching <input type="checkbox"/> Practice mock interviews <input type="checkbox"/> Develop list of references and recommenders
HANDS ON LEARNING <i>What can I do to achieve my goals?</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Participate in campus activities to build community and network with others ➤ Join a club or student government to build skills in leadership, communication, and working with diverse populations. ➤ Find volunteer opportunities with a local public elementary school - contact a school district office for volunteer forms/process 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Network with faculty, advisors, peers, & alumni in your major/career focus ➤ Attend career fairs/networking events ➤ Participate in campus operations by joining a committee like SAF, STF, or ISAB ➤ Complete volunteer hours in a local public elementary school to clarify career interests and meet application requirements 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Practice your elevator speech and network with faculty, peers and alumni for post-graduation planning ➤ Join the UW Alumni Association and Husky Landing to stay connected and attend networking events ➤ Utilize LinkedIn Learning to develop and enhance skills ➤ Seek higher leadership role in club, on-campus job, or volunteer activity 	<p>Employment Opportunities: K-5 Elementary Teaching, Special Education, Teaching English as a Second/Other Language</p> <p>Related Careers: Teaching, Administration, Education Faculty</p> <p>Licensing/certification: Certificate in Elementary Teaching, Special Education, Teaching English as a Second/Other Language</p> <p>Post-Baccalaureate Degree Paths: Master of Education, Doctorate in Education</p> <p>Companies who have hired on Handshake: Seattle Public Schools, Northshore School District, Lake Washington School District, Bellevue School District, and others!</p> <p>Professional Associations: American Federation of Teachers, National Association of School Education, American Association for Employment in Education, Washington Education Association</p>
CAREER PREPARATION <i>How can I help myself get a job?</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Make your first appointment with Career Services to develop your resume and LinkedIn profile ➤ Register for Handshake (UW's free job & internship board) and complete your profile ➤ Conduct informational interviews with alumni and other industry professionals for career advice, job research, and discuss mentorship opportunities 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Update teaching resume with relevant academic coursework/projects and volunteer hours ➤ Schedule Mock Interviews with Career Services to prepare for student teaching placements ➤ Update LinkedIn/e-portfolio and Handshake profile with projects and accomplishments which highlight your skills ➤ Apply to Student Employment opportunities to gain experience and leadership 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Attend the Job Clinic for Teachers hosted by the School of Educational Studies ➤ Develop a list of academic references and recommenders ➤ Attend school district job fairs to explore opportunities ➤ Begin applying for jobs 	

