

## ABOUT THE PROGRAMS

The College of Education undergraduate admissions is a two-tiered process. The first tier is admission as freshman. The second tier is admission to the education program during the freshman or sophomore year of college. Transfer students are encouraged to contact the College of Education's Student Academic Affairs Office. [For more information on program specifics, please visit the Web site or contact the College of Education's Student Academic Affairs Office.](#)

### TIER ONE

Students who wish to major in Early Childhood, Elementary Education, or Special Education who are applying as freshmen will apply to the Pre-Early Childhood, Pre-Elementary Education, Pre-Special Education curriculum through the University of Illinois Office of Admissions ([admissions.illinois.edu](http://admissions.illinois.edu)). Students who wish to teach Secondary Education in Biology, Chemistry, English, Geology (Earth Science), History, Math, or Physics should apply to the respective department in the College of Liberal Arts and Sciences through the University of Illinois Office of Admissions ([admissions.illinois.edu](http://admissions.illinois.edu))

PROGRAM	DEGREE	CERTIFIED TO TEACH	WHEN TO APPLY	MAJOR
Pre-Early Childhood, Pre-Elementary Education, Pre-Special Education	There is no degree for this program. All College of Education freshman apply to this program.	See Tier Two	Fall/Spring before anticipated entrance	None
English or History	Bachelor of Arts	See Tier Two	Fall/Spring before anticipated entrance	English or History
Biology, Chemistry, Earth Science, Math, or Physics	Bachelor of Science	See Tier Two	Fall/Spring before anticipated entrance	Biology, Chemistry, Earth Science, Math, or Physics

### TIER TWO

Students apply directly to the College of Education the spring term of their Freshman or Sophomore year for entry into a degree program or the Secondary Education minor.

PROGRAM	DEGREE	CERTIFIED TO TEACH	WHEN TO APPLY	MAJOR	MINOR
Early Childhood Education	Bachelor of Science in Early Childhood Education	Birth - 3rd Grade	Spring Term Sophomore Year	Early Childhood Education	See list*
Elementary Education	Bachelor of Science in Elementary Education	Kindergarten - 9th Grade	Spring Term Sophomore Year	Elementary Education	See list*
Special Education	Bachelor of Science in Special Education	Ages 5 - 21	Spring Term Freshman Year	Special Education	See list*
Secondary Education	Bachelor of Arts with a Minor in Secondary School Teaching	6th - 12th Grades	Spring Term Sophomore Year	English or History	Secondary School Teaching
	Bachelor of Science with a Minor in Secondary School Teaching	6th - 12th Grades	Spring Term Sophomore Year	Chemistry, Earth Science, Math, or Physics	Secondary School Teaching
	Bachelor of Science with a Minor in Secondary School Teaching	6th - 12th Grades	Spring Term Junior Year	Biology	Secondary School Teaching

\* For additional information on minors and areas of concentration, please visit [education.illinois.edu/programs](http://education.illinois.edu/programs)