

## Associate in Arts Education Concentration

Students who complete this concentration will satisfy the requirements of MassTransfer. Students should consult with an advisor about the general education course requirements.

**For students planning to teach in Massachusetts public schools, please refer to the Education Licensure Requirements.** Refer to information regarding Criminal Offender Record Information (CORI).

A candidate for the Education Concentration might select a schedule similar to this:

Course #	Course Title	Credits	Prerequisites
<b>First Semester</b>			
ENL101	English Composition I	3	Appropriate scores in Reading Comprehension & in Sentence Skills on CPT or grade of C or better in ENL020 and ENL050 or ESL201
PSY101	General Psychology	3	ENL020 & ENL050 or satisfactory basic skills assessment scores
	Elective*	3	
	Behavioral & Social Sciences	3	
	Humanities & Fine Arts	3	
<b>Second Semester</b>			
ENL102	English Composition II	3	A grade of C or higher in ENL101
COM103	Human Communication	3	ENL010 or ESL102 or satisfactory basic skills assessment score
PSY202	Adolescent Psychology	3	PSY101
	Elective*	3	
	Natural or Physical Science	4	
<b>Third Semester</b>			
	Elective*	3	
	Natural or Physical Science	4	
	Humanities & Fine Arts**	3	
	Mathematics/Quantitative Reasoning	3	
	Elective*	3	
<b>Fourth Semester</b>			
	Humanities & Fine Arts	3	
	Elective*	3	
Total Credits		62	

The Associate in Arts degree does not indicate a specialized degree in a concentration.

### Overview

This concentration prepares students for transfer to complete their bachelor's degree and become licensed to teach at the middle and high school level. Candidates for middle or high school licensure are required to minor in middle or high school education and major in the subject area they plan to teach.

Students must graduate with a minimum 2.75 GPA and attain a passing score on the Communication and Literacy Skills (CLST) portion of the Massachusetts Tests for Educators Licensure (MTEL) before their planned entrance to the bachelor institution to be accepted directly into an education program.

### Career Outlook

Students completing a bachelor's degree in middle or high school education will be required to take the MTEL test in the subject area they plan to teach. After passing this test, they will receive initial licensure and be ready to enter the teaching profession. Students must obtain a master's degree within five years to receive professional licensure. Students will be eligible to teach in public and private schools in grades 5-8, or 8-12, depending on which licensure track they pursue.

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\* The elective credits may be courses in the intended teaching area, or if you know what bachelor institution you plan to attend, then choosing courses that would satisfy general education requirements at that institution would be beneficial.

\*\* Students should choose a literature or foreign language for this area, depending on the general education requirements of the bachelor institution they plan to attend.