

**University of Virginia Bachelor of Science in Education in Secondary Education - Biology**  
**TRANSFER GUIDE**  
 Catalog Years: 2026-2027

**Associate Transfer Degree Plan in Biology**

**COURSE REQUIREMENTS**

Complete at VCCS				Complete at UVA		
BACHELOR'S DEGREE REQUIREMENT	SATISFIED BY			BACHELOR'S DEGREE REQUIREMENT		
Course	Credits	CC Course	Notes	Course	Credits	Notes
This course does not transfer to UVA	1-2	SDV 100 College Success Skills or 101 Orientation	This course does not transfer to UVA	Biology Content Coursework: Botany, Zoology, Ecology, Anatomy and Physiology, Biochemistry	Up to 6	Students will take remaining biology coursework based on what they took through the VCCS. Courses may include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• BIOL 3020 or EVSC 3200</li> <li>• BIOL 3180</li> <li>• BIOL 3250</li> <li>• BIOL 3410</li> <li>• BIOL 3030 or CHEM 4410</li> </ul>
ENWR 1505	3	ENG 111 College Comp I	ENWR 1505 + 1506 fulfill first writing requirement	EDIS 2655	3	
ENWR 1506	3	ENG 112 College Comp II		EDIS 3882	2	1 <sup>st</sup> semester after transfer (fall practicum) <i>All Teacher Education transfer students begin in the fall semester.</i>
Humanities (1 of 2)	3	Any UCGS Art or Humanities course	AP Art (all exams) or AP Music may meet this requirement (score of 4+)	EDIS 3882	2	2 <sup>nd</sup> semester after transfer (spring practicum)
Humanities (2 of 2) & Cultural Literacy	3	ENG 255, ENG 258, HUM 216, HUM 220, HUM 259, REL 230, REL 237	This course must come from a different discipline than the first humanities course	EDIS 2800	3	1 <sup>st</sup> semester (fulfills the second writing requirement)
Social Science (1 of 3)	3	Any UCGS History course	AP European History, AP United States History, or AP World History may meet this requirement (score of 4+)	EDIS 3016	3	
Social Science (2 of 3)	3	Any UCGS Social & Behavioral Science course	AP Economics or AP Government (all exams) may meet this requirement (score of 4+)  AP Psychology may meet this requirement (score of 3+)	EDIS 3030	3	
Data Literacy	3	MTH 245	AP Statistics may meet this requirement (score of 4+)	EDIS 4070	1	

Math and Natural Science (1 of 3)	4	BIO 101	AP Biology may meet this requirement (score of 5)	EDIS 4820	3	
Math and Natural Science (2 of 3)	4	BIO 102	AP Biology may meet this requirement (score of 5)	EDIS 4830	3	
Math and Natural Science (3 of 3)	4	CHM 111	AP Chemistry may meet this requirement (score of 4+)	EDIS 4050	3	
Chemistry II	4	CHM 112	AP Chemistry may meet this requirement (score of 4+)	EDIS 4051	3	
Elective	4	BIO 206 Cell Biology or BIO 256 Genetics		EDIS 4855	3	
Botany, Zoology, or Ecology	4	BIO 110 Gen Botany, BIO 207 Gen Zoology, or BIO 270 Ecology		EDIS 4875	3	
Anatomy and Physiology or Biochemistry	3-4	BIO 141 Anat & Phys or CHM 260 Biochem		EDIS 4865	6	3 <sup>rd</sup> semester after transfer (fall internship)
Human Development & Social Science (3 of 3)	3	PSY 230 or EDU 207		EDIS 4885	12	4 <sup>th</sup> semester after transfer (spring full-time student teaching)
Botany, Zoology, Ecology, Anat & Phys, Biochem	3-10	Take additional courses from this list: BIO 110, 207, 141, 270 or CHM 260	Students will need to meet these requirements for the major. They should take as many courses as they can fit into their schedules.	EDIS 3020	3	Students who do not take EDU 250 will take EDIS 3020 at UVA
Electives		<p><b>Select courses from the list above or any of the following:</b> EDU 200, EDU 204, EDU 206, EDU 250, EDU 280, EDU 270, MTH 154</p> <p>Pre-requisite math if needed: MTH 161-162/167</p> <p>Students who have completed all community college requirements should take additional courses from the rows above or transfer elective courses to fulfill the 60-63 credit requirement.</p>	<p>EDU 250 recommended; it fulfills the Teacher Education program's exceptional learner requirement</p> <p>MTH 161-162/167 do not transfer to UVA</p>	Elective credits		Students must have 120 credits to graduate. 60 of those credits must be taken at UVA. Students must take a minimum of 12 credits every semester.
<b>CREDITS PRE-TRANSFER: 60-63</b> Students may transfer up to 60 credits to UVA.				<b>CREDITS POST-TRANSFER: 60-62</b> Students must take a minimum of 60 credits post-transfer to meet the 120-credit requirement for graduation. Biology teachers may need to take 2 additional credits to finish content coursework.		

# TRANSFER GUIDANCE

## Competitive applicants for UVA's School of Education and Human Development:

- Meet all lower-division general education requirements.
- Earn a minimum GPA of 3.0 or better at your current institution.
- Have 54-60 transferable credits.
- Have prior experience working with youth; experience can be within or outside of schools.

This transfer guide shows an optimal path to a bachelor's degree in biology education at the University of Virginia. Completing the coursework above will position you to transfer to UVA with junior (third year) standing and a pathway to graduate in two years. If you complete the associate degree but haven't taken all of the recommended courses, you may still be able to pursue this degree. [Reach out](#) to request a transcript review.

## IMPORTANT LINKS & DATES:

- [University Office of Undergraduate Admission](#)
- [School of Education and Human Development Transfer Admission](#)
- **Admission Application:** By March 1 for fall entry: [application information](#)
- **Financial Aid:** [Student Financial Services](#)
- **FAFSA - Free Application for Federal Student Aid:** April 1; [application information](#)

## WHAT SHOULD I CONSIDER WHEN SELECTING COURSES?

- Create a schedule for all required courses, pay attention to prerequisites and when courses are offered, and complete your first math and English courses in your first year. For help, see Transfer Steps and Resource Center through [Transfer Virginia](#)
- Connect with an advisor at your community college and UVA's School of Education and Human Development within your first year.

## IS THIS DEGREE RIGHT FOR ME?

- Are you passionate about learning? Do you want to be an educator?
- Do you enjoy collaborating for the success of others?
- This program leads to a Bachelor of Science in Education degree and a Virginia teaching license.

## WHAT IS THE IMPACT ON MY DEGREE OF WORK I HAVE ALREADY COMPLETED?

- **Associate Transfer Degree Completion:** Transfer up to 60 credits to the University. Satisfy all lower-division general education requirements. Graduate within 4 semesters after transferring.
- **Dual Enrollment – Completion of Associate Degree in HS:** Students who complete the associate degree concurrently with high school will apply to UVA as first-year students. During the first year, students can apply to transfer to the Teacher Education program for their second year. Students can transfer up to 60 credits to the University. Students will need to complete a minimum of three years at UVA to enroll in and finish the Teacher Education program.
- **Credit for Prior Learning:** AP and IB scores are evaluated for credit.
- **Catalog Year:** Catalog year determined by first semester of attendance at the community college post-high school graduation.

## IS THIS COLLEGE RIGHT FOR ME?

- This is a full-time residential program located in Charlottesville, VA. Students must be available for classes and field experiences during the day, and some evening classes are required.
- UVA's School of Education and Human Development provides the feeling of a smaller school while offering the benefits of being part of a large university.
- Teacher Education faculty and students are deeply committed to working together with our school partners to create a more just society.

Learn more about the [School of Education and Human Development](#).

## DID YOU KNOW THAT...

- Completing your Associate transfer degree post-high school satisfies all lower division general education requirements and increases the chance of completing your bachelor's degree?
- Exceeding 3 years or 90 credits at your community college means you may have exhausted your financial aid at that college and have limited your future financial aid at UVA?

## WHAT CAN I DO WITH THIS DEGREE?

Most Teacher Education graduates go on to teach. Graduates also pursue careers in non-traditional education settings, non-profit organizations, and local and state educational agencies.

## PROGRAM SUCCESSES & HIGHLIGHTS

- More than 95% of program graduates applying to teaching positions are hired.
- Many UVA Teacher Education graduates go on to be teacher leaders in the field.

## WHAT ARE MY CHANCES FOR GETTING ACCEPTED?

- UVA tends to admit 35-40% of transfer applicants who apply to start at UVA in the fall.
- The Teacher Education program is committed to accepting as many qualified applicants as they are able to support with high-quality advising and field placements.

Learn more about applying through [UVA's transfer admission website](#).

## DO MORE WITH YOUR DEGREE!

- The School of Education and Human Development offers a guaranteed admission pathway for Teacher Education students to enter many of the school's graduate programs within five years of completing the bachelor's degree. Approximately 1/3 of students who complete UVA's undergraduate Teacher Education program pursue a graduate degree at the school.

## OTHER THAN CLASSES, ARE THERE OTHER PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS?

- Students will complete a minimum of four clinical experiences in schools in the Charlottesville region. These experiences include two 4-hour/week practicum courses (3<sup>rd</sup> year fall and spring), a 16-hour/week internship (4<sup>th</sup> year fall), and full-time student teaching (4<sup>th</sup> year spring).
- Students must complete required exams and trainings to meet state licensing requirements.